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BSISD trustees formally adopt budget for 1997-98 school year

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

Big Spring school trustees formally adopted a \$34 million budget for the 1997-98 school year following a public hearing on the package Friday afternoon. In total expenditures, the package is one of the largest ever approved by local school trustees. However, if construction funds for the new junior high school — approved by voters last September — are taken out of the equation, the new

budget is only 2.8 percent larger than the 1996-97 financial package.

Construction on the new junior high will be completed in time for the 1998-99 school year. The building will replace Runnels Junior High, which was constructed in 1916 and will be used for storage.

Aside from \$8.5 million set aside for school construction, major highlights of the budget include more than \$800,000 in pay raises for teachers and other district personnel. Most of those raises were mandated by

the last State Legislature, while the board added raises for personnel not covered by the mandates.

Salaries will account for almost 75 percent of the new budget.

Although the state did not provide any money to go along with the mandated pay increases, Board President Al Valdes said approving the across-the-board raises was "the easiest thing we did on this budget."

Also included into the budget is a \$1 million loan from the Texas Association of School

Boards' capital acquisition program to purchase technology equipment and furniture for the new junior high. That loan, to be received in December, will be paid out during the next 10 years, school officials said.

Now that the budget is approved, trustees now turn their attention to setting a tax rate to pay for the package.

A meeting to set the new tax rate has been set for Sept. 11 at the high school board room.

It is almost a given that the tax rate will increase from its current setting at \$1.493 per \$100

valuation, but just how large the increase will be is still up for debate.

In all likelihood, trustees will adopt a tax rate in the \$1.54-\$1.56 per \$100 valuation range.

This would leave the district with an on-paper deficit of about \$300,000 for the new budget year, but district business manager Ron Plumlee said it is highly likely that revenues will exceed projections this year, leaving the district in the black once again.

And even with a rate increase, a large number of district tax-

payers will realize a savings on their tax bills this year because of the recently approved homestead exemption increase.

That increase, approved by state-wide referendum Aug. 9, adds \$10,000 to the homestead exemption for school district taxpayers.

With the added exemptions, qualified owners of a home appraised at \$35,000 will save about \$140 on their tax bills next year, while owners of a home appraised at \$100,000 will save about \$110, district figures indicate.

Fair Folks

From livestock to aprons, people will show off their wares at the 1997 Howard County Fair

Allred's pride and joy has strings attached

There is a lot of history tied up in apron strings.

Ask anyone associated with the Howard County Fair, where antique aprons will be judged and displayed for the first time this year.

"Each year we try to do something different in the women's division," said organizer Janeice Barnes. Usually, the item must be at least 50 years old, but this year, in honor of the fair's 25th anniversary, aprons need to be at least 25 years old.

Ruby Allred, who has aprons more than 60 years old, plans to enter some of them in the fair's competition. She remembers a time when the apron did a lot more than catch spills.

"At Christmas, if we had a pretty piece of material, we would work that up for Christmas gifts," she said. "You never bought material just for an apron. You used scraps and pieces."

Allred, a pioneer woman who worked in the field alongside her husband and drove a tractor, also did a lot of cooking for her family and the farm workers. She usually wore her aprons over a pair of blue jeans and a plain work shirt.

Her "every day" apron was more often than not made of flour sack material.

"We kept fancy aprons," she explained, showing some of hers in prints, with ruffled edges, buttons and bows. "But those were for company."

Giving and receiving aprons was so common, Allred said, that she does not remember a Christmas when her mother didn't receive one. They might be embroidered by hand, work that



RUBY ALLRED

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Teen will hope for best in goat show debut

Blake Coates has an easygoing viewpoint about his upcoming debut at the Howard County Fair Open Junior Meat Goat show.

Sure, he's spent hours training his goats to walk on a lead, stand straight and be still while the judges poke and prod them. But he's also heard stories from his friends about goats that suddenly lay down in the middle of the show, or other disastrous actions.

"I figure, if it's going to happen, it's going to happen," said Blake, 14.

This will be the first year for the Open Junior Meat Goat show, which begins with showmanship competition at 8 p.m. today and continues Monday at 8 a.m. at the judging area.

Blake, whose father Daryle Coates has been raising goats for several years, said he's accustomed to being around the animals. Since training some for showing, though, he said he has truly learned to appreciate them.

"They're very smart," he said. "They can learn to open gates and all kinds of things."

He says raising goats is less expensive than a pig or steer.

Blake admits he thinks goat meat tastes good, too. The Coates family eats goat meat regularly — chops, barbecue, steaks and ribs.

"They're kind of like a pet," Blake admitted of the few goats he's been training. "But I know I'm not going to have them long, so I don't get too attached."

"I know it's a living thing, but anything that you eat that is meat was a living thing."

Blake's goats are mainly a cross between the Spanish and Boer varieties. He chose a select few to begin training, picking them for their bone structure, length and other qualities that he hopes will help bring in the prizes.

So far, he has entered two in the fair competition, and may add a third. His show goats have to be less than a year old, still have their "baby teeth" and must be sheared to

— DEBBIE L. JENSEN

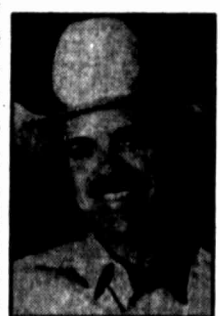
Music once again will be at center of week-long festivities



RICKY BOEN, AND TEXAS MUD

As if Howard County Fair booths, exhibits, carnival rides and special events were not enough, organizers have also planned four nights of country music entertainment.

The music begins at 7 p.m. Wednesday with Gene Watson, a legendary country musician who performs with his band, "Farewell Party," named after one of his hit songs. He will perform in the



NIX

Entertainment Tent, with another show following at 9 p.m.

"Gene's a great country music star," said local musician Jody Nix, who organized entertainment events for the fair. "I've

like him since I first heard him 20 years ago. He's got a voice like velvet."

Watson, born in Palestine, Texas, was one of seven children in his working-class family. He began singing to supplement his income as an auto

body worker in the 1960s. In 1974, his single, "Love in the Hot Afternoon" was picked up for national distribution by Capitol Records, starting a string of hits that

include "Paper Rosie" and "Fourteen Carat Mind."

Ricky Boen and Texas Mud will continue the entertainment events with shows at 7 p.m. and

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Howard County Fair Schedule

- Monday**
- Goat show, 8 a.m., judging area.
 - Ranch Rodeo, 2 p.m., rodeo bowl.
 - Kids Parade, 3:30 p.m., front gate.
 - Grand Opening, 4 p.m., Monday, Dora Roberts Fair Building.
 - Pet-A-Zoo, 4-10 p.m. (continues throughout the fair), north of fairs.
 - 4-H Club Omelet Supper, 5 to 7 p.m., activity barn.
 - Ranch Rodeo, 6 p.m., rodeo bowl.
 - Howard County Fair Queen Contest, 8 p.m., entertainment tent.
 - Kids Night at the Gene Ledei Carnival (The carnival will continue throughout the fair.)
- Tuesday**
- Agricultural products received, 8-10 a.m., activity barn.
 - Agricultural products judging, 9 p.m., activity barn.
 - Domino Tournament, 6 p.m., activity barn.
 - Battle of the Cheateaters, 7 p.m., on Sept. 2, rodeo bowl.
- Wednesday**
- Homeschool and washer picking 6 p.m., show arena.
 - Gene Watson performs, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., entertainment tent.

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WEATHER

Today: ☀ Mon: ☀ Tues: ☀ Wed: ☀

Today, sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 90s. Sunday night, fair. Lows 65-70. Labor Day, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid to upper 90s. Monday night, fair. Lows 65-70. Extended forecast, Tuesday through Thursday, mostly sunny days and fair nights.

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Millions of workers to celebrate Labor Day with pay raise

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of Americans have a little extra something to celebrate this Labor Day: a pay raise of 40 cents an hour.

On Monday, the federal minimum wage increases to \$5.15 an hour as part of the second phase of an increase approved by Congress last summer. The first phase last fall lifted the nation's standard wage for hourly workers to \$4.75 from \$4.25, where it had sat unchanged more than five years.

"It helps," said Maria Christina Lopez, a 38-year-old mother of five who has worked

six months at a Dairy Queen in Earth, Texas, "because bills and everything are going up."

And the change will affect more people than just the estimated 6.4 million workers who now make below \$5.15 an hour. "We have to raise (all wages) to keep them in line," said Ed Guerra, Lopez's boss, who runs Dairy Queen restaurants throughout West Texas. "We can't pay a crew leader the same as a (regular) employee."

Overall, about 10 million minimum wage workers will have benefited from either last fall's increase or Monday's increase,

the Labor Department says. Some people last fall got raises that were big enough to push them above the new \$5.15 minimum, the agency says.

Supporters call the raises well-deserved.

"Corporate profits and earnings for the average worker are rising. This minimum wage increase will help ensure that the lowest-paid Americans also share in this prosperity," said Labor Secretary Alexis M. Herman.

The increase comes at a time when the booming economy has pulled unemployment down to

4.8 percent — its lowest level since the 1960s.

"Despite the claims of the opposition, raising the minimum wage had no job loss effect," said Jared Bernstein, an economist with the liberal Economic Policy Institute.

But critics who warned there would be consequences — such as reductions in the number of jobs or people's working hours — say the unusually strong economy has simply delayed problems.

"I think there are red flags on

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OBITUARIES

Josephine Toland

Josephine "Faith" Ann Toland, newborn daughter of Steve and Connie Toland of Fort Worth, died Wednesday, Aug. 27, 1997 at Cook Children's Medical Center in Fort Worth. Memorial service will be at noon Tuesday in Arlington Heights Christian Church, with private burial following in Oakwood Cemetery in Fort Worth.

She was born Aug. 20, 1997 in Arlington.

She is survived by her parents, Steve and Connie Fitzer Toland; a brother, Dean Toland; her grandparents: Robert and Ann Fitzer of Big Spring; and Jim and Diane Schrecengost; and her great-grandparents: Ruby Gower, Robert Ziegler and Virginia Kemp.

Memorials may be sent to: Fort Worth Cook Children's Medical Center, 801 Seventh Ave., Fort Worth, 76104.

RAISE

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the horizon," said Jeffrey H. Joseph of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

The increase could, for example, make private companies less likely to hire welfare recipients who lose benefits, Joseph said.

"I think you'll start seeing the movement from welfare to work will slow down," said Joseph. "You're now digging deeper into the welfare ranks to people who have fewer skills, yet what we're doing now is increasing the price people have to pay for them."

More than 90 percent of the Americans receiving the minimum wage work in private-sector jobs such as retail stores and restaurants, sales or private household jobs like housekeepers.

Of those getting the raise, roughly 57 percent are women, 32 percent are youths ages 16 to 19, and 55 percent work part time, according to the Labor Department.

Monday's increase is the 25th since the minimum was first instituted in 1938 at 25 cents an hour. At the new rate, yearly earnings for full-time work at minimum wage will be about \$10,300.

In contrast, the government said the 1995 poverty level — the latest year available — was about \$15,600 for a family of four.

To alleviate fears that small companies could be hurt, Republican lawmakers won tax breaks for small firms before agreeing to the wage hike last year.

Yet even young workers — among the most vulnerable to labor market pressures — appear to have been unscathed. Their unemployment rate also is down.

"There's a lot of young people who are starting off at minimum wage," said Juan Harrington, a part-time worker at a Washington area Safeway, who makes just above the minimum wage. "This will put a little more money in their pockets, too."

And labor advocates already are clamoring for an even higher minimum. Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., has introduced a bill that would boost it to \$7.25 an hour by 2002.

But, warns John Doyle, spokesman for the Employment

Policies Institute, a higher minimum can attract students who might not otherwise work, displacing less-educated adults.

"The higher wage attracts higher-skilled employees," said Doyle. "As an employer, I can be told how much to pay, but I can't be told who I have to pay it to."

BRIEFS

THE FOURTH ANNUAL DON McKinney Float Fly of the Big Spring Model Aircraft Association will be Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 6-7 at Comanche Trail Park Lake.

No landing fees are required. Pilot's prizes will be awarded and raffle prizes will be available. AMA membership is required. Call Steve Gay for information at 263-6148.

BIG SPRING HIGH CLASS of 1952 is seeking the addresses of the following persons:

De Wayne Adams, Don Allman, Ray Arnold, Kenneth Bryant, Glenn Bunn, Marshall Burrus, Dale Chandler, Carrol Chapman, Orville Churchill, Cecil Couch, James Daniell, Ernest Farmer, C.L. Girdner, Bobby Hammond, Robert Hayes, Jack Kelley, Steve Kornfield, Richard Prahm, Billie Shultz, Clifford Winn, and Bill Wood.

Women's names are by maiden name: Jean Anderson, Doris Jean Brown, Barbara Chapman, Gloria Chiodo, Jerry Christesson, Beula Jo Cook, Virginia Davenport, Annette Green, Peggy Jenkins, Virginia Kinney, Sue Lawdermilk, Eva McElrath, Patsy McMillan, Mary Frances Norman, Lela Patterson, Mary Della Garcia, Concho Sarmiento, Norma Jean Rowe, Barbara Smith, Maren Tinkham, and Patsy Wilson.

Please call Joy Hester at 263-1755 for any information concerning the above persons.

SEARCHING FOR ADDRESSES OF Big Spring High School Class of 1988 classmates for reunion.

Please contact: Cheri Wyrick-Reibe; 3901 Belle Mere, Tyler, Texas; 75701.

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.

HARLEY OWNERS GROUPS WILL have a fundraiser for the Muscular Dystrophy Association all day Monday, Sept. 1, at the Big Spring Mall. There will be two bands, bike show (with the winner being determined by the most donations, sandwiches and Coca-cola.

From 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Wild Texas will play, from 2 to 4 p.m. motorcycle games and at 4:30 p.m. CW & Co. will be playing.

THE ANNUAL FOOTBALL BARBECUE sponsored by the Big Spring Evening Lions Club will be from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5 at the Big Spring High School cafeteria. Cost is \$5 per person and advance tickets are on sale now. Plates to go are available.

For more information, call Squeaky Thompson, chairman at 267-2759.

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals.

If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

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TODAY
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

MONDAY
•Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Al Valdes, 263-6810.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

•TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5 to 5:45 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting, VA Hospital room 212.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

•Gospel Singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Call 267-6764. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City.

TUESDAY
•Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m.; Spanish services.

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

•Beginning line dance class will be taught at 9 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628 for more information. All ages welcome.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

•VFW Post No. 2013, 7 p.m., VFW Hall.

•Cancer support group, 7 to 8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Beverly Rice, 268-5077.

WEDNESDAY
•Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Archie Kountz, 267-3821.

•Line dance classes, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, following lunch. For more information call 398-5522 or 267-1628. All ages welcome.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study.

THURSDAY
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.

•Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older.

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles. 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

•Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library. Call Bernice Cason, 267-8542 or 267-7236.

•Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron Long, 267-8715.

•Lady Steer booster club meeting, 6 p.m., Athletic Training Center meeting room.

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•Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to

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10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

SATURDAY
•Candlelight NA meeting, 10 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

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•Big Spring Commandery No. 31, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.

•Big Spring Assembly No. 211, Social Order of the Beauceant, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Temple, 211 1/2 Main. 6:30 p.m. dinner.

•Howard County NAACP, 7 p.m., Chamber of Commerce conference room. Call Stephanie Horton, 264-0306.

Code Patrol corner ...

August has been an eventful month in that Code Patrol participated in the Second Annual RSVF Fun and Fitness Fair earlier in the month. We were able to discuss our mission with many seniors and recruited 10 new members for our patrol.

We have been busy nominating and selecting houses, a business, church or any property owner that maintains and keeps their property clean and is a beauty spot in our community. Those selected this month were presented with certificates at the city council meeting Tuesday were:

Leroy and Johnnie Perry, 811 N. Gregg, District 1; Richard and Quita Shryack, 804 E. 13th, District 2; Samuel R. Myers, 2409 Cheyenne, District 3; Beth Ann's, 2112 Scurry, District 4; Frank and Nikki Broyles, 103 Jefferson, District 5; Connie Jackson, 1314 Stadium, District 5; First Christian Church, 911 Scurry.

The selections were made based on what we consider the Grandma/Grandpa home, the people that get out and pull their own weeds and mow their yard, plant flowers and is pleasing in appearance to the eye. Certificates will be presented at the next two council meeting selecting one from each district, and after that once monthly. Any church, business, apartment complex that maintains their property is eligible for nomination. If you have any nominations, or should you be interested and want information about Code Patrol, please call me.

We have met with city council members once and are planning future meetings to discuss the October clean-up, they will meet with Code Patrol Monday, Sept. 8, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. We will discuss ideas the council members have come up with for the clean-up and see how the patrol can assist them. We would ask anyone interested in this clean-up effort to please attend the meeting, this is your opportunity, this meeting is open to the public, so if you would be interested in volunteering your time to help, this is your opportunity to help. Please contact your councilman/woman, or me Pat Simmons at 263-4607. Be a good neighbor, spruce up your property and make it shine. Let's work together and make Big Spring beautiful! We can make a difference!

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Texas Lottery

PICK 3: 9, 7, 8
CASH 5: 1, 5, 11, 15, 23
LOTTO: 14, 15, 17, 25, 30, 43

Heist suspect arrested in Texas

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — An armored car driver believed to have taken \$22 million in the biggest heist in U.S. history was arrested Saturday when he crossed the border into Texas, using the name of his former roommate, the FBI said.

The money was not immediately recovered and authorities do not know where it might be.

Phillip Noel Johnson, 33, was stopped by U.S. Customs agents and asked for his identification as he was crossing from Matamoros, Mexico, into Brownsville, at the southern tip of Texas.

When Johnson gave the name Roger Lawter, the name popped up as an alias used by the former Loomis, Fargo & Co. driver, said George Cheek, a spokesman for the FBI in Jacksonville. The theft happened March 29 in Jacksonville.

The FBI in Brownsville was contacted and Johnson was taken into federal custody. He will be arraigned Tuesday morning before a U.S. magistrate in Texas on a federal charge of unlawful flight to avoid prosecution.

FBI agent Jim Dougal and Jacksonville police detective Jerry Rigdon flew to Texas Saturday night.

Johnson, 33, was initially considered an amateur who would be nabbed in days. That was before authorities discovered he'd allegedly been painstakingly

ly planning the robbery for years.

The crime had stumped the FBI and police. Some officials suspected Johnson had fled overseas and others thought he was dead.

Loomis, Fargo will not discuss the robbery. It has offered a \$500,000 reward for his arrest and conviction.

Johnson used fake IDs to avoid police and had fake passports he could use to leave the country, the FBI said.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday:

• **KERRY MILLS**, 20, 1811 Donley, was arrested on a charge of assault/family violence.

• **RANDY CHESSER**, 25, Snyder, was arrested on local warrants.

• **ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE** was reported on Comanch Trail Park.

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported on the 1500 block of West Fifth and the 500 block of Westover.

• **ASSAULT BY THREATS** was reported on the 1500 block of Sycamore.

• **THEFT** was reported on the 1100 block of N. Lamesa, the 700 block of E. Marcy, the 2300 block of Wasson, the 1100 block of 11th Place and the 900 block of Willia.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported on the 1600 block of E. Sixth and the 1600 block of Settles.

• **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported on the 200 block of 11th Place.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Saturday:

• **DENNIS JAMES BELL**, 29, Euless, was arrested on a charge of DWI.

• **SHANNON PAT McDONALD**, 28, Castroville, was arrested on a charge of DWI.

• **JACKIE SAMUEL CROUCH**, 36, 7913 N. Service Rd., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **TRACY YOUNG**, 34, no address given, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **ANTHONY JON STEVENSON**, 33, Sand Springs, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **STEVEN LLOYD BATEMAN**, 18, 101 Jonesboro Rd., was arrested on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

• **THEFT OF A VEHICLE** was reported on North Highway 87.

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YOU'VE GOT TO CRACK SOME EGGS ...



4-H Club members are getting ready for their traditional omelet supper at the Howard County Fair Monday beginning at 5 p.m. Shown here are, from left, Clay Hart, Katie Gaskins, Sarah Haney, Brennan Bailey, Terrell Bibb and Trevor Bibb.

HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Fraternity pledge tells about hazing

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Steve and Deborah Fugate were appalled by their son's condition during parents' weekend last year at Louisiana State University.

Gavin had lost weight and was very pale. A campus doctor told them he was suffering from an early stage of pneumonia. Gavin said he had spent too much time working in the rain at the fraternity house of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, where he was pledging.

But Gavin Fugate, now 19, and his parents kept secret his stories of being beaten and forced to scoot across a floor covered with broken glass, until SAE pledge Benjamin Wynne, 20, of Covington, La., died of alcohol poisoning last week.

Wynne's death prompted Steve Fugate to send an unfinished letter to LSU Chancellor William Jenkins about the severe hazing his son endured, and moved Gavin to tell all.

Gavin Fugate recounted his story to The Advocate of Baton Rouge and The Times-Picayune of New Orleans. The Associated Press was unable Saturday to reach the Fugates, who live in Arlington, Texas, but do not have a listed telephone number.

Fugate, then 18, said he endured repeated hazing incidents until he finally dropped out of the SAE pledge class last

fall. He told The Times-Picayune how fraternity brothers tried to sodomize him with a bar of soap, beat him and forced him to drink liquor until he vomited blood.

"You just don't do this to a human being, especially a place that publicly preaches brotherhood," he said.

"I don't think parents realize what's going on here. I don't think the alumni realize what's going on," Steve Fugate said. "These kids never tell."

Steve Fugate was drafting his letter to Jenkins when he learned Wynne died Tuesday after a booze-soaked celebration on "bid night." Three other pledges were hospitalized, one of them in critical condition.

Gavin said other SAE pledges lost consciousness after heavy drinking during bid night in 1996 at an off-campus bar. That year, Fugate said he was forced to down entire pitchers of beer.

"I tried to pull it down, but they grabbed the bottom so I had to drink all of it. I started barfing" he told The Advocate.

Fugate said he tried to knock away another pitcher but was forced into drinking it and began vomiting again. After the second pitcher, pledges were then given shots of hard liquor to drink and alcohol in cubes of gelatin, he said.

They will welcome special guest "Fiddlin' Frenchie" Burke for their shows.

"He's been a cohort in the music business for well over 25 years," Nix said of Burke. "He's a good showman and I thought he would fit in extremely well."

With three fiddlers on stage at one time, Nix said the remaining two nights of shows will be like nothing local audiences have seen before.

"It will be a show, that's for sure," he said. "We're hoping people will come out for all four nights of good country music entertainment."

—DEBBIE L. JENSEN

APRONS

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was done in the evenings after all the housework and farm chores were done.

"We didn't have a TV of course," Allred said. "We didn't have a radio, nothing. That was all we had to do."

After she and her husband, Cecil, got a car, Mrs. Allred remembers doing embroidery while riding on trips into town. But like many things, the apron has all but lost its place in many kitchens.

"Does anyone wear them anymore?" Mrs. Allred asked. "I don't guess I had thought about it."

Aprons for the competition are being accepted today from 1-4 p.m. at the east end of the

main exhibit building. The antique aprons will be on display throughout the fair.

Also accepted today are entries in the antiques, art, hobbies and crafts, and canned goods divisions.

Barnes said the weather may help improve this year's canned goods entries.

"Produce seems to be up, and I expect we'll get a better quantity this year," she said.

Antiques division was brought back to the fair this year by popular demand.

"We got lots of requests for that one," Barnes said.

Local teachers will be arriving today with students' ver-

sions of "Under the Sea," the special themed classroom project. All entries will receive ribbons, and will be displayed in the women's division.

"You won't be able to miss them," said organizer Nancy Howard. "The special area is going to be in the same theme, and it will be a lot of fun."

Anyone over 60 can enter the crafts, hobbies and art divisions for competition with those in their own age group. "Golden Age" rules are the same as regular categories, but entrants are judged against others over 60.

Ribbons will be on all items in all exhibits by the fair's opening Monday at 4 p.m.

—DEBBIE L. JENSEN

SCHEDULE

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Thursday
•County team roping, 7 p.m. rodeo bowl.
•Ricky Boen and Texas Mud, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., entertainment tent.

Friday
•Steer weighing and classifying, 1 p.m. steer barn.
•Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys, with Fiddlin' Frenchie Burke, 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., entertainment tent.

Saturday
•Judging of steers, 8 a.m. judging area.
•"Kountry Kids" contest 10:30 a.m., entertainment tent
•Antique Tractor Pull, 1 p.m. west side.

MUSIC

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9 p.m. Thursday.

"They're going to be good, family entertainment," Nix said. "They do old time fiddle, cowboy music and comedy."

Boen, a native of Odessa, has been playing the fiddle since age 10. He and his father, Darrell Boen, along with Mark Douglas, make up the group. They perform a variety of musical styles, especially western swing.

Friday and Saturday nights belong to local legend Nix and his band, the Texas Cowboys.

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Quote of the Day

"Government, even in its best state, is but a necessary evil; in its worst state, an intolerable one."
-Thomas Paine

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OUR VIEWS

Let's celebrate fair's anniversary

Twenty-five years ago, a Howard County tradition began — again. At that time our county fair, suspended during the difficult times of drought, was reinstated by a group of hard-working men and women.

The names have changed, but the hard work of creating a fair is the same. Howard County Fair's board of directors give year-round commitment to the event we enjoy for only six days. They begin working as soon as one fair ends to plan the next one.

The silver anniversary of our county fair will include some familiar sights — the carnival, the steer show, petting zoo and queen contest. It also has some new additions — an apron competition and a meat goat show, for example. It also includes the return of the antiques display.

There is country music entertainment lined up Wednesday through Saturday nights. This year's special student art theme is "Under the Sea."

From even before Monday's ribbon cutting at 4 p.m., board members have planned activities for children, adults, art lovers and those with healthy appetites.

It's going to be seven days of family fun, history lessons and memory-making.

Our hat is off to the people who make the fair what it is each year, and especially in this 25th year, to those whose dedication has kept it alive and ensured its continued success.

See you at the fair!

OTHER VIEWS

Once, when his presidential ambitions still burned bright, Sen. Edward Kennedy was asked why he sought the nation's highest office. In reply, he was neither glib nor long-winded. He was flummoxed. "Uh...uh...uh," he said by way of preface to nothing much more thoughtful. The interview was on national TV, and it was a huge embarrassment.

Somehow, when Rep. Joseph Kennedy announced the other day that he was not going to run for governor of Massachusetts after all, you felt that, like his uncle, he had no particular reason for wanting a shiny new role for himself in the first place, except perhaps for the unmentionable one of its seeming fit for a Kennedy to be so elevated.

But a lack of public purpose or clear-cut qualification was not why he dropped out of the race.

Joseph Kennedy, the son of Robert Kennedy, has been in the news lately not because of his stance on issues or accomplishments on behalf of the people, but because of his personal life. His first wife wrote a book saying he treated her as if she had no worth and bullied her into an annulment of their marriage. It was then revealed that his younger brother Michael had had an affair with a baby-sitter that began when she was 14. Some wondered how much Joseph had known about it. They wondered, too, why the 44-year-old Joseph was playing recently with illegal fireworks and managed to burn his son.

In announcing that he was abandoning the gubernatorial race, Kennedy said it had become clear to him that the campaign would be submerged

in family and personal issues. He conceded, too, that he was sinking in the polls. The story received prominent attention in newspapers throughout the land, in part, of course, because the Kennedy name has been evocative of something like royalty in American politics for almost four decades, but also because Joseph's troubles just might be the final stumble bringing those days to a disgrace-shrouded end.

No doubt, Kennedys will remain active in national affairs for some years yet. Joseph Kennedy himself is deemed likely to be re-elected for a sixth term in Congress. But the name has been increasingly tarnished, even including that of John F. Kennedy. His presidency, from the vantage point of the century's near-conclusion, seems a series of miscalculations — agreeing to the Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba and getting the nation involved in Vietnam, for instance. His liaison with a Mafia prostitute will remain forever inexcusable.

And although he is still a force in the Senate and has remained popular in Massachusetts, Edward Kennedy never recovered politically from the incident at Chappaquiddick, when a young female companion drowned.

Some may have thought the younger generation would come to the rescue, but Joseph Kennedy's announcement this past week seems to have laid such hopes to rest. This tale may have still more chapters, but this looks like it's close to the last one.

Jay Albrose
Scripps Howard
News Service

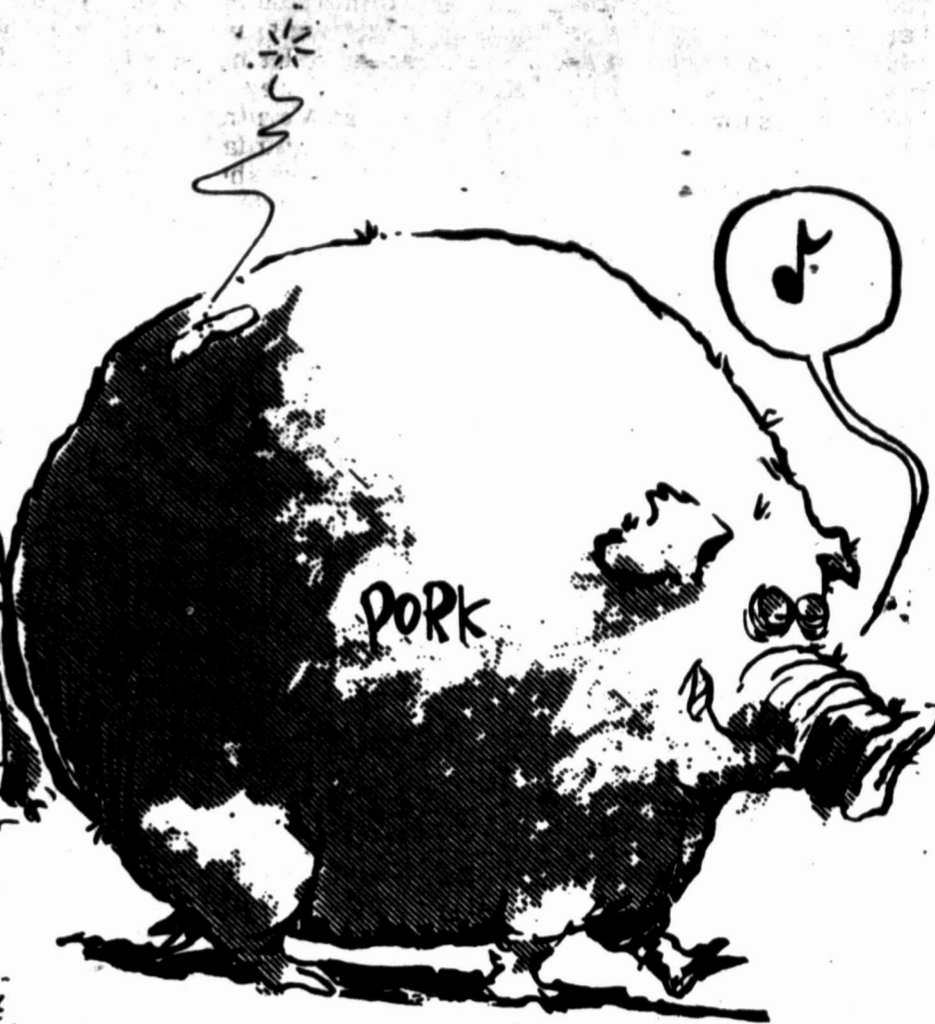
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New World Order doesn't interest me

Wanna know what's weird? It's weird that an out-of-work ex-dictator of the Soviet Union, like Mikhail Gorbachev, tools around the United States, forms a tax-exempt foundation and hosts state of the world forums attended by various new left and in-power utopians.



Charley Reese
Columnist

One should remember, shouldn't one, that Gorbachev worked his way through college rattling out his professors and fellow students to the KGB — condemning them to torture and/or death — and did not and never did intend to bring democracy to the Soviet Union. He intended to save communism by putting on a few cosmetic reforms. He blew it.

It's also weird that unlike the Nazis, former Communist leaders who killed millions have

never been brought to justice, except for a token guy here or there. It's even weirder that America's raving moralists don't seem to give a hoot. That's probably because they are more left than moral.

I think we ought to file a complaint with the Russians that they should keep their former dictators at home. I understand there is plenty of room in Siberia, and what would be a more fitting retirement home for a Communist tyrant than the place where communism doomed millions to hard labor and death?

Instead, this Communist ex-dictator sets up a foundation at the Presidio, a former U.S. Army base.

Old Spot is putting on a series of state of the world forums to develop ideas for a global civilization. Given Gorbachev's background and experience, I don't want to have anything to do with any civilization he plans, but a lot of American political, business and media bigwigs turn out for his hoop-de-doo for a new world order. Al Gore, who aspires to be the utopian in chief, was at the '95 shindig

along with Jane Fonda and other assorted leftists. The whole affair was subsidized by Bob Dole's favorite agribusiness, Archer Daniels Midland.

Someone called the 1995 forum a meeting of new left socialists and utopians. I'd call it a meeting of new left socialists and saps. The way so many prominent Americans lust after socialism and its necessary loss of liberty makes me think of a line from an old western movie:

"If God did not intend for them to be sheared, then why did he make them sheep?" an inquiring Mexican outlaw wants to know.

Good question. It seems to me either the Cold War was a phony deal or the end of the Cold War is a phony deal. Instead of being brought to justice, Communists in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union are either still in power or getting rich running capitalist enterprises.

And what does it say about capitalists when they pick Communists to run their enterprises?

It says that a no-goodnik is a no-goodnik regardless of what

language he speaks or what economic or political system he pays lip service to. There is a worldwide brotherhood of SOB's who would sell their mothers to the devil, let alone their countrymen, to make a buck.

Well, I don't want any part of a new world order or global civilization. I'll settle for the plain old constitutional republic that our Revolution produced. That no longer exists either, except in form, but it at least it is worth restoring.

I hope you notice that all these folks who talk about globalism or new world orders never seem to get around to talking about the principles of the American Revolution — liberty, unalienable rights and self-government.

There are no elected delegates to the United Nations. They are all appointed by their governments. Therefore, rule by the United Nations — if that's what people have in mind — would be dictatorial rule by an oligarchy of the more powerful nation-states. No thanks.

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Wait! Controlling the internet is impossible

By PHIL BURGESS
Scripps Howard

ASPEN, Colo. — Each August cyberspace gurus gather in this Colorado mountain town for spirited discussions of the cyber revolution and how new cyber technologies are shaping the future.

This year is no different. And one of the most spirited discussions took place as a panel, moderated by U.S. News and World Report editor David Gergen, addressed the problem of decency on the Internet. Issues included the 1996 Communications Decency Act — called CDA — and different ways to protect children from exposure to pornography and other indecent material on the Internet.

However, the Gergen-led conversation quickly moved to some larger issues — including everything from the role of government to where the responsibility for protecting children should be lodged. The conversation surfaced some interesting points.

First, many seemed to agree that parents should be able to shield their children from exposure to indecent material. But there is a catch: Some parents may take a narrow view of what is indecent; others will take a broader view. That's one reason a blanket, legislated definition of indecency is impossible. But nearly everyone can agree that parents should be able to decide what their children see.

Second, there is deep disagreement about strategies of protection. Some want the government to do it — but that smacks of censorship that is likely to be stopped by First Amendment free-speech protections. Others want the government to require those who produce or have control over the content of material on the Internet, material that might be indecent, to make a good faith effort to restrict access by minors. This was the approach of the CDA, but it has already been declared unconstitutional.

Another group takes more of an "anything goes" approach to what can go out over the

Internet, but they emphasize different issues, including:

— Practicality: That it is not feasible to control Internet content at the source. Example: Spyglass software executive Jay Friedland said more than 40,000 objectionable sites his company permits parents to block out using new parent-controlled "blocking" software are located overseas, including 4,000 in Japan. How can US legislation protect children when so much that is objectionable comes from outside the U.S.?

— Technology: That rapid progress in applying "blocking" technologies gives parents the power to do what the First Amendment will not let government do. Reason: Blocking technologies can be located in the home computer or in servers of on-line providers like America On-Line or Prodigy. But no matter where they are located the parents are in control.

— Responsibility: That it's the responsibility of the parent, not the state, to protect their children. Some believe govern-

ment may have a role in helping parents secure the information and other tools required to make informed judgments.

When all is said and done, however, many believe the child can be shielded only by core values and virtues and principles of right and wrong that he or she has been taught. The answer, therefore, is family, church and school.

The civilized and informative dialogue yielded at least three lessons: First, technology itself can provide an answer to many problems created by technology. Second, new telecomputing technologies often favor decentralized solutions that empower people, not institutions. Third, political leaders often err when they rush in to "solve" a problem with government mandates.

Movie industry spokesman Jack Valenti reminded those assembled of the wisdom of former Speaker of the House Sam Rayburn, who often said to those with power: "Never forget the three most important words in the English language: 'Wait a minute.'"

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Popular man's arrest in wife's death shocks small Texas town

KAUFMAN (AP) — When Almon Derwood Sikes, a popular Kaufman auto supply and appliance dealer, lost his wife in July 1990 to what authorities ruled were natural causes, the small East Texas town was saddened.

When Sikes was arrested Aug. 21 on charges that he murdered his wife of 42 years seven years ago, the town was shocked.

His arrest has flooded the streets of this town of 5,500 people, about 45 miles southeast of

Dallas, with rumor and speculation.

"If you go into a store, neighbors are getting into each other's faces, hollering about this," resident Corey Cassells told The Dallas Morning News for a story in Saturday's editions. "People have their own theories. They've gotten to talking about O.J. Simpson and that kind of mess."

An indictment returned by a Kaufman County grand jury alleges that Sikes, 67, who

retired in 1989 as owner of the Sikes Goodyear store, used a pillow to suffocate his 58-year-old wife, Ethel, on July 29, 1990.

Bail initially was set at \$1 million, but he was released from the Kaufman County Jail on Tuesday after a judge lowered the bail to \$100,000.

Said Jess Murrell, furniture store owner and one-time mayor, "It just stunned the community. It's not every day that something like this happens in a small community."

Sikes has declined to comment, but his attorney, Doug Mulder of Dallas, says his client maintains he is innocent of the charge.

Sikes' four children said earlier this week that their father grieved for several years after his wife died. The couple have adjacent cemetery plots at Kaufman Cemetery, and their names are inscribed on a joint headstone.

District Attorney Bill Conrad declined to discuss what evi-

dence and motive exists for murder. He said he will reveal the case when it comes to trial early next year.

However, he said a May tip from an informant prompted a three-month Texas Rangers investigation that led to the indictment.

County officials received permission Tuesday to exhume Mrs. Sikes' body this week so the Dallas County medical examiner's office can perform an autopsy. Justice of the Peace

Johnny Perry said Thursday that an autopsy should have been performed in 1990 but wasn't.

Retired Justice of the Peace Mary Jane Tidmore initially ruled that Mrs. Sikes died of natural causes, Conrad said.

However, she later made a handwritten notation that she could not determine the cause of death.

Sikes owned the Goodyear store for 17 years before his retirement.

Police call for public's help to identify victims

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Detectives have only begun trying to solve the mystery that has only deepened with the identifying of one of four people whose remains were found in a San Antonio backyard, police say.

Among the bone pieces found in the home's backyard over a period of several weeks are some that belonged to Monika Rizzo, 44, who has been missing since May.

But Deputy Chief Albert Ortiz said Friday that the announcement only "closed one chapter" of the mystery surrounding the dozens of 1-to-2-inch bone fragments unearthed from the backyard of the house where Mrs. Rizzo lived.

Police are little closer to iden-

tifying the other three people whose DNA strands were found in the remains, Ortiz said Friday.

"We know we have a multiple homicide but we still have the burden of proving who did it and how," he said.

DNA tests could not reveal the age, sex or physical characteristics of the three unknown individuals. The evidence is virtually useless without a known person's DNA for comparison.

Investigators obtained DNA from Monika Rizzo's son and subtracted that of her husband to identify her bones.

"The detectives have a huge task ahead of them," police spokeswoman Sandy Perez said. Identifying the victims is detectives first priority.

San Antonio police have released a sketch of a woman drawn by Texas Department of Public Safety artist in the hope that someone would be able to recognize the woman.

The woman, whose likeness was drawn from mathematical calculations and an artist's interpretation of her skull, is described as an Anglo, likely in her 20s or early 30s. She is believed to have had severe dental problems that caused her a lot of pain.

She was young, with a curved chin, a noticeable overbite and a prominent nose.

Since learning Thursday that Mrs. Rizzo is a homicide victim rather than a missing person, police repeated lengthy interviews with her husband of 26

years, Leonard Rizzo; one of her sons; and her parents, Bill and Monika McKinney.

Ortiz said the interviews turned up little new information, and that Rizzo remains just one of many suspects.

"He is absolutely devastated," his attorney, Bruce Smith of Beaumont, said of Rizzo's reaction.

Smith said Leonard Rizzo was preparing an Internet Web site he hoped would help locate his missing wife.

"He was real excited about doing what he could to put out a nationwide search for his wife."

Mrs. McKinney said that, although this week's news was devastating, at least she and her husband know what happened to their daughter.

Mexico beefs up border presence

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The latest U.S. crackdown on illegal immigration has prompted Mexico to increase border consulate services for its citizens who may be in this country illegally, a ranking Foreign Ministry official said Friday.

"We are going to increase our capacity to serve our people so that they don't feel that they are totally vulnerable or without defense," said Juan Rebollo Gout, Mexico's undersecretary for bilateral relations.

Rebollo insisted the action is not meant as a pointed message to the U.S. government as it renews efforts to control illegal immigration through "Operation Rio Grande," which began Monday.

"We are not going to tell the U.S. how to organize its border, but we are going to remind it that every time there is an

operation in the U.S., there will be reverberations on the other side," the diplomat said.

The Mexican government will increase the budget for protective services at border consulates by more than \$7 million, Rebollo continued.

"About 60-70 people will be distributed among several consulates," he added, beginning with Brownsville, in deep South Texas, where Operation Rio Grande started.

Consular personnel also will pay more visits to detention centers, clinics, hospitals, work sites and recreation places to meet with Mexican nationals, he said.

Texas, which already has the largest number of Mexican consulates in the United States — 10 — could see another one open in Presidio in West Texas.

He was in San Antonio to

close two days of meetings of Mexican consular officials posted in Texas. Also at the sessions were representatives from Mexico's National Immigration Institute.

The conference was prompted by Operation Rio Grande, an initiative which will station U.S. Border Patrol agents at close intervals along the river, which is lit at night.

The agency said the first few days of the effort resulted in a sharp drop in apprehensions of undocumented immigrants in the Brownsville area.

A focus of broader services will be to inform people in states, particularly Michoacan, Durango, and Oaxaca, from which large numbers of migrants come to the U.S. — of the risks they face if they attempt to cross into the U.S. at remote locations.

Former school tax collector indicted

McALLEN (AP) — A former tax collector for the McAllen school district has pleaded innocent to federal charges that he embezzled more than \$800,000.

Jesus Gonzalez was released on \$50,000 bond shortly after his Friday arraignment before a federal magistrate.

Gonzalez is set to appear before a district judge Oct. 6. If convicted, Gonzalez could face up to 13 years in prison.

He also may be held liable for the entire amount he is alleged to have embezzled, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Wells.

A recent school district audit showed that more than \$1 million in tax money was missing.

The government alleges that Gonzalez stole \$835,834 of tax money between July 1, 1993, and June 30, 1995, and did not report the amount on his

income tax return.

A federal grand jury in McAllen indicted Gonzalez Tuesday on two counts of fraud and false statements and two counts of theft concerning a program receiving federal funds.

Gonzalez resigned from office in June 1996 amid accusations that he misappropriated funds.

He had served as tax assessor and collector for 14 years, with his office collecting about \$45 million a year.

"It was a very intricate system he had devised," Wells said.

"He could account for a lot of money he took."

Defense attorneys Joe Warren Friend Jr. and Jack L. Wolfe declined comment Friday.

County court documents in a related civil case alleged Gonzalez took money from roll-

back taxes and double payments.

When agricultural property is rezoned as commercial property, owners must pay a higher rollback tax that is retroactive for five years.

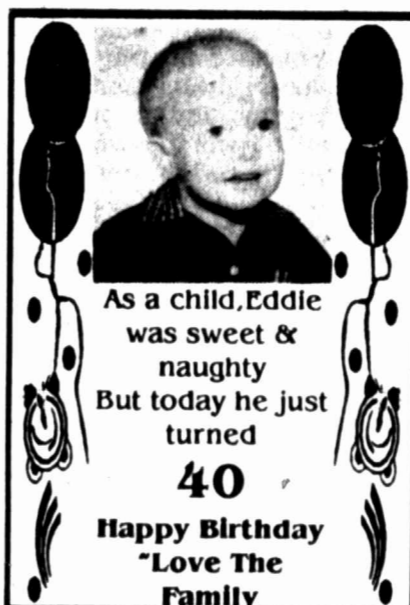
Since school districts and cities don't budget for receiving those funds, Gonzalez could keep the money and nobody would know the difference.

Several routine audits never caught the discrepancies, Wells said.

After his resignation, the office was disbanded. The school district hired the county to collect its taxes, and the city created its own office.

Both entities filed suit last year against Gonzalez.

At the same time, the FBI and the Internal Revenue Service conducted their own investigations.



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U.S. envoy hopscoches across Bosnia to quell latest violence

BANJA LUKA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Armed with threats of NATO force against broadcasters who foment violence, a U.S. envoy crisscrossed the political front lines in Bosnia today to quell the latest crisis imperiling the peace.

Robert Gelbard met with top international officials in Sarajevo before moving on to the hard-line Bosnian Serb headquarters in Pale to meet with Momcilo Krajisnik, chief aide to the Bosnian Serbs' wartime leader, Radovan Karadzic. Later in the day, he was expected to meet with

Karadzic's rival, Bosnian Serb President Biljana Plavsic, in her stronghold of Banja Luka.

Topping Gelbard's agenda for the talks was the confrontation Thursday between troops of the NATO-led peace force and furious, rock-throwing mobs of Karadzic supporters in the Serb-held town of Brcko in north-eastern Bosnia.

Two U.S. soldiers and several Serb civilians were wounded in the unrest, and buildings and vehicles belonging to international organizations were vandalized.

A U.N. team was forced to withdraw from Brcko on Friday

after being attacked by stone-throwing supporters of Karadzic. The attackers were egged on by broadcasters. No one was injured.

After meeting with Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic on Friday evening in Belgrade, Gelbard said the violence in Brcko was "yet another example of Pale's efforts to undermine the Dayton peace agreement."

In a radio interview today, Krajisnik countered that it was the NATO-led peace force that was "working against the Dayton peace accord" after it positioned itself outside police

stations in Brcko and Bijeljina on Thursday.

The force said it moved to keep the peace after receiving signals that Plavsic's forces were planning to seize police stations and media outlets in the towns.

"I'm afraid that after this incident, nothing will be as it used to be," Krajisnik told Bosnian Serb state radio.

"Somebody is playing around with the Dayton peace accord. Somebody here wants a war."

NATO has threatened broadcasters who foment violence toward peacekeepers. The peacekeeping force in Bosnia

"will not hesitate to take the necessary measures, including the use of force, against media networks or programs inciting attacks," NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana said in a statement issued Friday in Brussels, Belgium.

Options include blowing up transmitters, removing broadcasting equipment and jamming broadcasts, a NATO source in Sarajevo said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

In Washington, State Department spokesman James Rubin accused Bosnian Serb leaders of broadcasting an "incendiary message" that

inspired Thursday's attack.

"There was clearly a coordinated use of media to incite violence," he said.

The violence this week stemmed from the feud between Plavsic and Karadzic, the No. 1 war crimes suspect sought by a U.N. tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands.

The peace force has sided increasingly with Plavsic, the Bosnian Serb republic's elected leader — and the only senior Bosnian Serb official who will honor the Dayton accords. However, it also aims to prevent violence between the two factions.

Officials ponder reasons for Algerian bloodshed

PARIS (AP) — A merciless attack on a poor Algerian farming village that claimed up to 300 lives has intensified the mystery behind growing violence in this north African nation.

Theories abound as to why the bloodshed, part of a five-year Islamic insurgency that has left 60,000 people dead, is suddenly increasing. But no one seems to know if it's revenge or fanaticism, and some cynics claim the government is behind it.

The violence has been escalating in recent months, with 1,500 deaths since early June. But Friday's bloodletting appeared to be the deadliest so far.

The attackers followed a familiar pattern: They descended on an isolated hamlet in the middle of the night and with crude weapons sliced and

hacked residents to death.

The target was Rais, 15 miles south of the capital. Witnesses said attackers entered homes to wake victims and slit their throats. Many were decapitated. Severed heads lay on doorsteps. The streets were full of corpses.

The government, which rarely comments on specific attacks and often seeks to minimize the death toll, gave an official count of 98 killed and 120 wounded.

Another 47 people were slashed to death before dawn Friday in the farming village of Maalba, about 120 miles southeast of Algiers, and in the Frais Vallon neighborhood in the hills above the capital, villagers and hospital sources said.

This week, the Paris-based news weekly Jeune Afrique linked the surge in attacks to reported talks between Algeria's military-backed regime and the

Islamic Salvation Front. The front's military arm, the Islamic Salvation Army, is taking part in the insurgency.

According to this scenario, the Armed Islamic Group — the Islamic Salvation Army's arch-rival, and the group usually blamed for rural massacres and random bombings — stepped up its campaign to sabotage any accord.

Abassi Madani, president of the banned Islamic Salvation Front and released July 15 after six years in a military jail, refused comment about any talks.

It was the Salvation Front's expected victory in 1992 legislative elections that changed Algeria's course. The army canceled the vote midway, sparking the insurgency and a brutal crackdown by security forces.

President Liamine Zeroual

has vowed to stamp out the "terrorists" and end their attacks.

But some experts and ordinary citizens maintain the regime itself is inciting the massacres — through a nebulous chain of intermediaries — or at least purposefully being ineffective in stopping them.

The purported reason: to justify its campaign against the militants and to gain sympathy from the West.

But in Algeria's shadowy underworld of Muslim extremists, government informers and desperadoes, it is impossible to decipher who is killing whom and why.

Some observers claim the Armed Islamic Group is a mix of militant Muslims, common criminals, desperate youths, clans seeking to settle accounts and infiltrators from the military police.

Japanese court stops censure of history books

TOKYO (AP) — Smiling and bowing deeply, an 83-year-old historian acknowledged his victory Friday in a court battle that has taken three decades: Compelling Japan to tell schoolchildren the full story of its actions in World War II.

For the first time, the Supreme Court limited Japan's power to rewrite history — ruling Friday that the Education Ministry broke the law in removing mention of a Japanese atrocity from historian Saburo Ienaga's high school textbook.

Moments after the ruling, dozens stood in the packed courtroom to applaud Ienaga, who rose to thank them.

"Today's ruling was not a complete victory," he said later at a news conference.

"But one more case of screening has been judged illegal. In other words, the Supreme Court has admitted that textbook screening is illegal."

"I see positive light there," said Ienaga, who has sometimes required police protection from right-wing thugs who believe he disgraces Japan and its old Imperial Army.

Right-wing activists outside the court denounced Ienaga

through loudspeakers, waving Rising Sun flags.

The justices ruled 3-2 Friday that the Education Ministry acted illegally in 1980 and 1983 when it removed from a textbook that Ienaga was writing a description of Japan's biological experiments on 3,000 people in northern China during World War II.

Victims were injected with diseases such as typhoid, or dissected without anesthesia, and allowed to die without treatment. The disputed section has since been restored to Ienaga's textbook.

"The education minister illegally stepped beyond the boundary of appropriate screening," the court said.

However, the Supreme Court justices dismissed or rejected claims by Ienaga that seven other portions of his book had been illegally censored, including one about Japanese soldiers raping Chinese women during World War II.

Friday's decision marked the first time Japan's highest court had declared there was a limit to the ministry's power to screen and censor textbooks. The court ordered the ministry to pay Ienaga \$3,360 in damages.

But the court unanimously upheld the Education Ministry's right to keep screening all textbooks before they are used and removing anything it finds objectionable.

Judges ordered the ministry to censor schoolbooks as little as possible so they are not distorted by each government's political outlook.

Fifty-two years after World War II, Japan has not come to terms with the war crimes its troops committed against Asian and Western soldiers and civilians.

That is especially true when the issue is how much Japan's schoolchildren should read about atrocities such as the Imperial Japanese Army's slaughter of up to 300,000 Chinese in the Rape of Nanjing.

Opponents of textbook censoring believe it is important to understand the mistakes of the past so they are not repeated. Japan's neighbors, meanwhile, want the nation to acknowledge the wrongs of its bloody conquest of the region.

"We will take the ruling seriously and continue to make sure contents of textbooks are appropriate," Education Minister Takashi Kosugi said.

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Clinton renews push for national student achievement tests

EDGARTOWN, Mass. (AP) — Pressing his plan to measure the achievements of the nation's school children through tests, President Clinton said today he is encouraged by a new report showing improvements in math and science.

But the Education Department also reported that students from grade school through high school still cannot read or write any better than before. And Clinton acknowledged much more should be done "to improve our schools and to raise learning levels for all our students."

In his weekly radio address, the president said he will respond to Republican criticism of his proposed voluntary

national testing program by moving the responsibility for developing a national testing program from the Education Department to an independent, bipartisan board.

"Still there are some in Congress who, even as our children are heading back to school, are working to undermine the very progress in education our children are counting on," Clinton said.

If they succeed, he said, "you won't be able to find out if your child is meeting world-class standards."

"The fact is, high standards are essential to providing our children the best education in the world, and I intend to do whatever is necessary to make

sure we move forward," he said. Clinton's plan calls for fourth graders to take a national reading test and for eighth graders to take a mathematics exam.

Rep. Bill Goodling, R-Pa., chairman of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce, criticized the president, saying "hastily developing new tests in Washington" won't lead to better students.

"That's akin to claiming that better speedometers make for faster cars," Goodling said in a statement Saturday. "The president's plan is a waste of money and won't do anything except increase federal involvement in our schools."

The government's look at student achievement in 1996 found

students were taking more rigorous math and science courses starting in middle school. However, teen-agers spent more time watching television and less time reading for fun than in 1978, and no more time reading for school than in 1984.

"The results of these tests tell us that our nation's schools are consistently doing a better job in teaching math and science at every age level tested," said Education Secretary Richard W. Riley.

"Reading scores are stable — which is not good enough. We can do better. And high school juniors need to take their writing skills much more seriously if they expect to do college-level work."

The reading test is especially important because 9-year-olds showed only a one-point gain in their reading performance on the test, the National Assessment of Educational Progress, between 1984 and 1996.

The administration hopes that testing will assure that children start reading independently at an early age.

Although 13-year-olds made progress in their math performance, they were smaller than the gains for 17-year-olds and 9-year-olds.

The tests also showed improvement in basic computational skills rather than advanced work.

The tests were given to about

30,000 pupils and chart trends in educational progress since the 1970s. There are no individual, school district or state scores.

The tests measure 9-year-olds, 13-year-olds and 17-year-olds on math, science and reading.

The writing test, added later, is given to fourth, eighth and 11th graders.

Even though the Education Department considered the data on writing to be less reliable because of difficulties in scoring, results were disturbing. Scores for 11th graders dropped both since 1994 and 1984.

At the same time, the percentage of 17-year-olds watching three to five hours of television a day increased from 26 in 1978 to 39 last year.

Judge slashes award in ABC-Food Lion case

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — In a decision that angered jurors, a judge wiped out 90 percent of a \$5.5 million fraud verdict against Capital Cities-ABC Inc. for an expose accusing Food Lion of selling rotting grocery meat.

U.S. District Judge Carlton Tilley on Friday reduced the award to \$315,000, giving Food Lion 14 days to accept or face a retrial on the punitive damages portion of the case. Jurors said they were shocked.

"That's a joke," foreman Gregory Mack said. "You're looking at a situation where we're barely punishing the network. That's a penny against their net worth. They can afford a penny to get a story worth \$100,000."

Jurors in January awarded Food Lion \$5.5 million in punitive damages and \$1,402 in com-

pensatory damages in the wake of the expose that accused the grocery chain of selling rathgnawed cheese and spoiled meat.

Although Food Lion denied the accuracy of the 1992 "PrimeTime Live" story, it did not go after ABC for libel or slander.

It instead sued the network for fraud, trespass and breach of the duty of loyalty.

The jurors found ABC liable after Salisbury-based Food Lion proved the network lied to get jobs in North Carolina and South Carolina for undercover reporters who then wore spy cameras and hidden recorders.

Tilley preserved the principle underlying the judgment: News organizations that infiltrate a company through lies may have to pay.

But in his opinion, the judge

said the difference in compensatory and punitive damages was too much.

"The ratio of overall punitive damage award assessed against Capital Cities-ABC Inc. to the compensatory damage award is approximately 2,857 to one," Tilley wrote. "A ratio of 2,857 to one is certainly suspect."

He reduced the award to \$50,000 from Capital Cities, \$250,000 from American Broadcasting Co., and \$7,500 each from former "Prime Time Live" executive producer Richard Kaplan and undercover unit producer Ira Rosen.

Tilley refused Food Lion's request that ABC pay its legal fees.

Food Lion called the decision a victory, even though its legal bills far exceed the award.

"Food Lion is pleased the company's claims have been

vindicated and the important principles involved in this case have been upheld," the company said in a statement.

Food Lion did not indicate whether it would accept the smaller award.

For its part, ABC again defended its actions and insisted it should not be held liable for violating any laws.

"By going undercover and telling a vital story about Food Lion's unsanitary food handling practices, we were following a great tradition of American journalism," the network said in a statement.

David Logan, a Wake Forest University law professor who followed the case, said the ruling showed that Tilley agreed ABC acted improperly but that the network "did not commit \$5.5 million in potential wrong."

Art brings shy pachyderm out of shell

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — For most of her 36 years, Mamie was about as submissive and timid as an 8,500-pound African elephant could get.

Living with two younger females and a younger male, she was the odd elephant out at the Knoxville Zoo.

"If you went out in the yard and said, 'Mamie, come here,' she would just try to make herself small or try to get away," said handler Deborah Anderson, who arrived here this spring from the Houston Zoo. "She was just so insecure."

Until Anderson introduced Mamie to art.

She taught Mamie to retrieve rocks. Then it was colored chalk. Finally, she brought in the brushes and acrylic paint, always heaping rewards and praise on the nervous elephant.

"Are you ready?" Anderson began one day. "Good girl," she said as Mamie took the brush. "Draw, Mamie," she said, and the elephant started swishing paint across a small canvas — and sometimes across Anderson. "Oooh, Mamie. That's a good girl."

Over the past three months, Mamie has created about 25 paintings and 15 chalk drawings.

Her confidence has risen with all the attention.

"Now we can call her from all the way across the yard. Or if she sees the paints coming out she will be right here waiting," Anderson said. "She knows what is happening. And for Mamie, that is a huge amount of progress."

Mamie's art may not be masterpieces, and her accomplishment is not unique. Other zoos have painting elephants, notably the Phoenix Zoo's Asian elephant Ruby, whose paintings fetch \$3,000 apiece.

What may be exceptional is that her caretakers couldn't care less about the product. Her art is available for \$25 per piece

in the zoo gift shop.

"I am not concerned about the paintings selling," Anderson said. "It is nice. But more importantly, it gives her something to do."

The Knoxville Zoo was a model for elephant programs in the 1970s when it became the first zoo in North America to breed African elephants successfully.

But Jim Sanford, who has worked with elephants for 18 years from Portland, Ore., to Perth, Australia, found an outdated facility when he took over the Knoxville elephant program in January.

Sanford wants a larger elephant exhibit and breeding program in two years, but it won't

be financed by Mamie's art or that of Petunia, another member of the herd that is learning to paint. And Sanford said Mamie won't be part of a production line, as he said some zoos have done with their painting pachyderms.

"She doesn't need to learn how to play a harmonica or paint," Sanford said. "But these are very intelligent animals and the more you exercise that intelligence the better off the quality of life you have for them."

"I would say feeding and cleaning an elephant is just half the job," he said, patting Mamie's forehead. "The other half is taking care of that big brain up there."

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Sanders may be able to play in Cowboys' opener with Steelers

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

IRVING — Deion Sanders might be well enough to play in today's opener against the Pittsburgh Steelers, despite a bulging disc in his back. Sanders, who's also an outfielder for the Cincinnati Reds, has not played baseball since Aug. 16 because of his back problem. Earlier last week, however, Cincinnati allowed him return to Dallas and prepare for the Steelers game. Cowboys coach Barry Switzer said he would put Sanders through some paces.

"We are going to see what he can do," Switzer said. During a light practice at Valley Ranch on Friday, Sanders was playing Ping-Pong with some teammates. If Sanders can't play, Wendell Davis will replace him as right cornerback. Davis said he would be ready whether Sanders plays or not. "I'm sure I'll play some anyway," he said. "I know baseball and it's not that much running. He's been standing around a lot. So when he gets winded, I'm going to be ready." The last time the Cowboys played the Steelers at Three Rivers Stadium

was at the beginning of the 1994 season, Switzer's first game as the Cowboys' coach. That game ended with Dallas routing Pittsburgh, 26-9. Emmitt Smith rushed for 171 yards and a touchdown while Michael Irvin caught eight passes for 139 yards. Troy Aikman passed for 245 yards and a touchdown to Daryl Johnston. "I remember playing well," Switzer said. "I remember controlling the game." One of the challenges Dallas is expecting, however, is Steelers running back Jerome Bettis. The 250-

pound back had a career-high 1,431 yards and 11 touchdowns last season, the second-highest single-season rushing total in team history. He gained more than 100 yards 10 times, nine of which helped the Steelers to victory. The Cowboys, however, only allowed one 100-yard rushing game last season and only six in the past four seasons. "It's a great measuring stick for us and whenever you say your opponent is a measuring stick, that means they're a pretty good football team, so we're definitely looking at this team as a formidable opponent and a team that can come in here and beat us if

we don't play a good game," Bettis said. The Cowboys' defense against Bettis may be crippled without Leon Lett, the 6-6, 295-pound defensive end suspended in December for violating the NFL's substance-abuse policy. He'll miss at least the first 13 games. Lett forced teams to double-team him, leaving middle linebacker Fred Strickland open. That allowed Strickland to make at least 10 tackles in 13 games with Lett assisting him. Without him, Strickland had more than 10 tackles only once in five games.

Turn on those lights!

'Tis the season ... No, not to be jolly. It's officially football season. Texas Tech, Baylor and Nebraska kicked off Big 12 play Saturday and the Dallas Cowboys open their NFL season in Pittsburgh today.

For many of us, though, THE football season really doesn't get under way until local high school teams strap on their helmets Friday.

In our case, of course, the first local schoolboy game will come Thursday when Coahoma takes on Denver City at Odessa's Ratliff Stadium.

But that first Friday night is magical. Maybe because it's the start of a new season and regardless of what the so-called experts have said, every schoolboy football player in the state steps onto the field believing a championship is in the offing.

Or maybe, it's simply because the lights, sounds and cheers somehow make us all young at heart for at least a few moments.

Regardless, come Friday night, football will be for REAL!

And perhaps nobody will be more geared for the season's opener than Stanton coach Mark Cotton, whose District 6-2A favorite Buffaloes will play host to highly-regarded Class 3A Colorado City.

Cotton and Colorado City boss Bill Grissom, you see, are good friends. Their teams have met twice, each has won a game and this year's opener will be the rubber match.

And because Grissom has announced that he'll retire following the current school year, there won't be any opportunity to overcome the bragging rights that will come with the final gun Friday.

Cotton and Grissom enjoy the kind of friendship that can only come from having coached together for 17 years.

"As a matter of fact, Bill was the one who gave my first job when he was at Hamlin ... hired me right out of college and I was there for six years before moving to Breckenridge with him," Cotton explains.

"We were in Breckenridge for seven years and then I came with him when he took the job here at Stanton in '91," he added. "When he (Grissom) left to take the Colorado City job, I stayed here."

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John A. Moseley
Sports Editor

Steers pass test in 3-2 scrimmage win

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

MIDLAND — The sterner test was just that, but Big Spring's Steers passed with flying colors Friday, posting a 3-2 scrimmage win over Midland High's Bulldogs.

The Steers, who'd pretty much had their way with Lamesa a week earlier, were expected to have more difficulty with the Class 5A Bulldogs, who not only had more depth but considerably bigger players than Big Spring could put on the field.

Although pleased with his team's showing, Big Spring coach Dwight Butler admitted having a few concerns following the game.

"I'm concerned about the fumble we had that killed a drive and the holding call that put us in a hole and eventually gave them position to score that second touchdown," Butler said.

While the Bulldogs did create a number of problems with their decided advantage in size — particularly late in the lengthy scrimmage when fatigue became a factor — Big Spring capitalized on its quickness in jumping out to an early lead with two quick touchdowns.

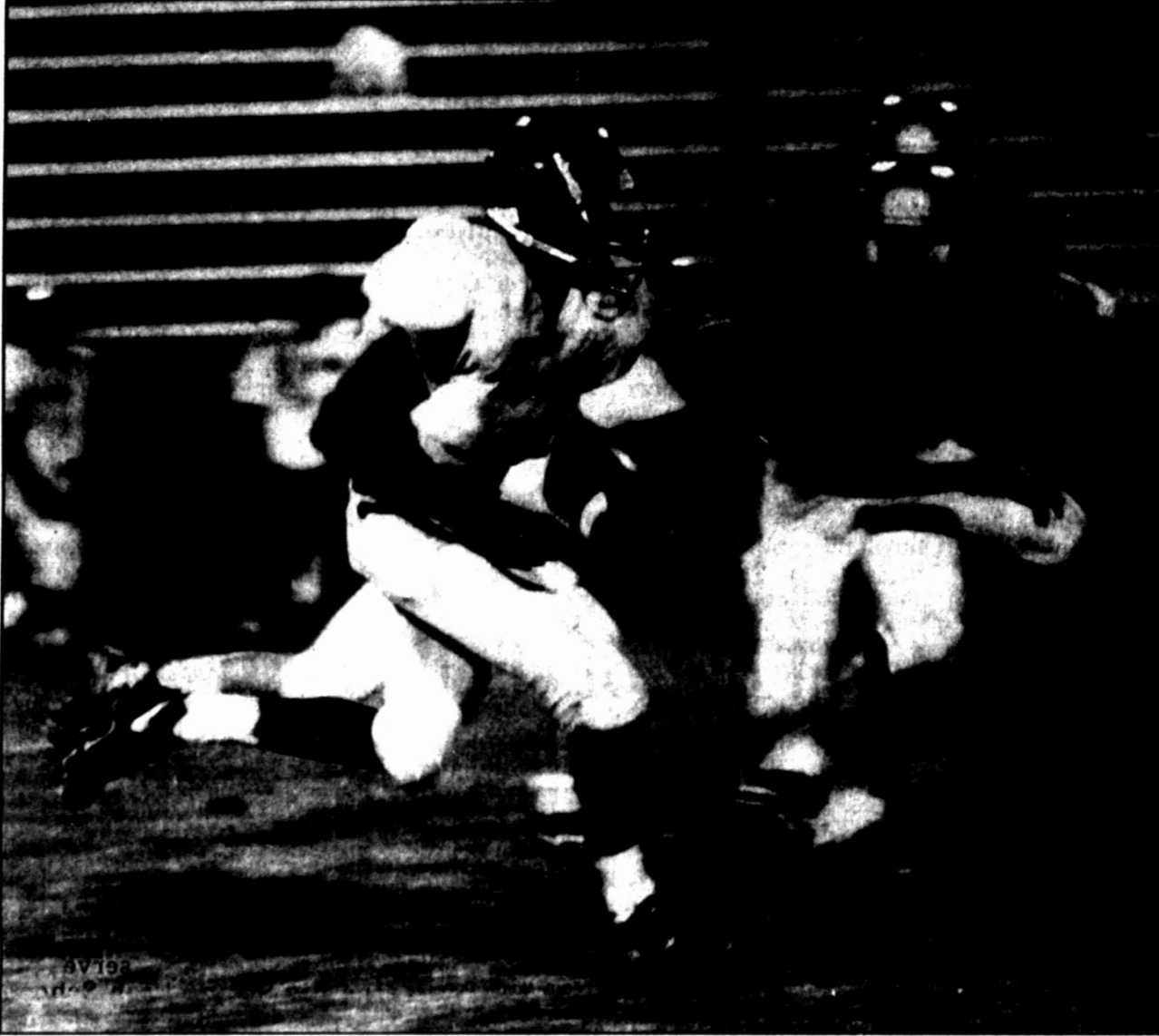
The first of those scores was a two-pronged romp. Fullback Antwoyne Edwards ripped off a 60-yard romp to the Midland 10-yard line and tailback Tory Mitchell capped the lightning-quick, 70-yard drive with a 10-yard dash to the endzone.

Big Spring's second tally came even faster when quarterback Gabriel Mendoza hit receiver Aaron Boadle for a 70-yard scoring toss.

After each team got three possessions in controlled scrimmage action, and the Steers had taken a 2-1 lead, non-combatants moved to the sidelines and the scoreboard clock was activated for two quarters of play under game conditions.

It was during those latter two periods that the Bulldogs began to wear down the smaller Steers, bringing what Butler said may be his strongest concern.

"The fatigue factor really concerns me," he said. "We knew that at some point their size was going to wear us down,



Big Spring's Tory Mitchell sets sail to the deciding touchdown in the Steers' 3-2 scrimmage win over Midland High's Bulldogs. It was Mitchell's second score of the scrimmage, his first coming on a 10-yard run early in Friday evening's action.

but that's something we're going to have to get used to and find a way to overcome it."

The first 12-minute period saw both teams make futile efforts at scoring, although the Steers did a better job of moving the ball.

Big Spring's best scoring opportunity during that first game-conditions quarter was thwarted when Mitchell fumbled at the Midland 30 and the Bulldogs recovered.

In the second timed period, Midland scored on a two-play drive, helped mightily by only having to move 43 yards to paydirt.

The Bulldogs got excellent field position when Big Spring was unable to move out of the shadow of its own goal post. A holding penalty on a first-and-10 situation at the Steers' 15-yard line was too much to overcome, especially when

Mendoza was sacked at his own eight.

After probing the middle of the Big Spring defensive line, Midland struck with a 41-yard scoring toss with 6:52 left in the scrimmage.

However, the Steers answered immediately, moving 70 yards in three plays. First, Mendoza hit Edwards coming out of the backfield with a 15-yard completion. Edwards then picked up three yards off tackle before Mendoza picked up Mitchell in the right flat.

Mitchell gathered in Mendoza's toss and set said on a 52-yard pass and run combination with 5:05 left to play.

The Bulldogs were able to methodically move the ball deep into Big Spring territory on their next possession, eating up the clock as they went.

However, Midland was unable to convert on a fourth-

and-two situation at the Big Spring two when the blitzing Steer defense poured in to make a shambles of a quarterback option.

"They threw some defensive twists we hadn't expected," Butler said in evaluating the effectiveness of the Steers' new wing-T offensive set. "Of course, those 270-pound defensive tackles will create some problems simply because of their size."

"Plus we were going with a scripted plan again and that put us where we ran some plays in situations we wouldn't have normally run them," Butler added. "That was good for us, though, because we wanted to see how our kids would respond in situations where things weren't ideal. You're going to run into those times during the regular season and you'd better be ready."

Bufs overpower state-ranked Wink, 5-0

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Mark Cotton couldn't have asked for his Stanton Buffaloes to play much better than they did Friday, traveling to Wink and dishing out a 5-0 scrimmage thumping to the state-ranked Class A Wildcats.

"We played really well," Cotton said. "Wink's got a good outfit ... I mean a good one ... we just played real well."

That quality play came from both the first- and second-team

units, as the Buff starters scored three of the Stanton touchdowns, while the reserves tackled on two more.

Quarterback Kyle Herm sparkled in throwing two touchdown passes — the first a pass in the flat to Salvador Gonzales.

He made it 2-0 with a scoring toss to Tyrone David.

Fullback Jody Louder capped the first team's scoring with a 25-yard run.

When the reserves took the field, James Jenkins made it 4-

0 with a 66-yard scoring jaunt, and the Bufs capped the onslaught when backup quarterback Cory Williams tossed a 40-yard touchdown pass to Gonzales.

Defensively, the Bufs never allowed the Wildcats to really get untracked.

"We did a great job on both sides of the football," Cotton noted, admitting it was the kind of performance he needed to see from the Bufs before they open the regular season next Friday with Colorado

City's Wolves coming to call.

"We'd better be ready to play," Cotton continued. "If we're not, we'll probably get kicked around pretty good. Colorado City is good ... very good."

"But if we play well ... play the way we did against Wink, it ought to be a good football game," he added. "We really can't afford to make a bunch of mistakes, because they're capable of capitalizing on just about anything you give them."

"Vincent did a great job of finding his receivers and getting the ball to them," the Bulldog boss noted, "and Kurt ran really well ... did a great job of finding the hole, getting his shoulders squared and running tough."

Coahoma's first touchdown came on a 30-yard pass completion from Garcia to senior end Jerry Mann and the game winner came on an 8-yard burst to paydirt by Bennett.

"It was really good to see Kurt run that well," Edwards added. "He started defensively for us, but hadn't had a chance to play at running back. The really came through."

Defensively, Edwards heaped praise on the Bulldog defensive front of tackles Shawn Rye and Anthony Gonzales and ends Robert Lain and Kendall Boyd.

"They managed to score on one pass play, but it wasn't a case where we made a mistake," Edwards said. "We put good pressure on the passer and had the receiver covered ... he just did a great job of going up and taking the ball away from us."

While Edwards said the scrimmage in Tahoka revealed some areas where the Bulldogs still need improvement, he's ready for the regular season's start.

"It's time," he said. "The kids get tired of practicing against one another. They're ready to tee it up and get after somebody and we (coaches) are, too."

Broadrick posts 71 to take lead in BSCC's Club Championship

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

With the temperature soaring above the century mark, a large portion of the field seemed to wilt during Saturday's opening round of the 54-hole Men's Club Championship Tournament at the Big Spring Country Club.

However, as the signs at downtown tanks registered 104 degrees, Ronnie Broadrick — one of the last four play-

ers to finish the round — turned in a 71 to take a one-stroke lead in the championship flight.

Second place in the top flight belonged to Mike Weaver, while Dr. Gene Stokes and Tom Rutledge both finished with rounds of 73 and were tied for third, just two strokes off the pace. Jerry Dudley was another stroke back at 74.

This morning, the 36-hole Women's Club Championship Tournament was scheduled to get under way. Both tour-

naments will conclude Labor Day.

Other championship flight scores turned in during Saturday's round were: Carlos Dimidjian and Ralph McCullough with 78s; Randy Crockett, Don Osborne and Russ Rutledge with 79s; R.C. Reed's 80; Byron Harris' 82; and Mike Hall's 84.

In first flight play, Chuck Freeman and Ron Plumlee entered today's second round tied for the lead with opening 72s. Toby Black was three strokes back at 75, while Steve Waggoner's 76

and Bob Parks' 78 left them in serious contention.

Archie Kountz's round of 75 Saturday was good enough to take the second flight lead, with Morris Rhodes just a stroke back. John Freeman was two strokes off the pace with a 77, while Sonny Sims was fourth at 78.

In the third flight, Pat Carter's round of 77, which he termed "the best I've played all year," was good enough to lead Roddy Caffey by one stroke. Howard College basketball coach

Tommy Collins was in third with an 80, while A.J. Pirkle was fourth with an 84. Ellis Britton was fifth at 85.

And in fifth flight action, Jerry Read and Jack Mueller both managed rounds of 85 to grab the early lead and a six-stroke advantage over a trio tied for third at 91.

The three deadlocked for third place were Kevin Pirkle, Les Zant and Mike Navarro. Terry Howell was sixth going into today's second round with a 92.

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NFL SCHEDULES

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Sept. 28 Chicago, 3 p.m.
Oct. 5 at New York Giants, noon
Oct. 13 at Washington, 8 p.m.
Oct. 19 Jacksonville, noon
Oct. 26 at Philadelphia, noon
Nov. 9 at San Francisco, noon
Nov. 16 Washington, noon
Nov. 23 at Green Bay, noon
Dec. 7 Houston, 3 p.m.
Dec. 14 at Cincinnati, noon
Dec. 21 New York Giants, noon

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

Table with columns for American League and National League, listing teams like Baltimore, New York, Boston, Toronto, Detroit, Cleveland, Milwaukee, Chicago, Kansas City, Minnesota, Seattle, Anaheim, Texas, Oakland with their respective win-loss records and percentages.

SCHOOLBOY POLL

The 1997 Associated Press pre-season high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses. Voting is by a panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters.

- Class 5A
1. Tyler John Tyler (8)
2. Converse (10)
3. Austin Westlake
4. Longview (1)
5. Lewisville (1)

- Also receiving votes: Killeen Ellison, Houston Lamar, Dallas Carter, Flower Mound Marcus, Plano, Humble, Beaumont West Brook, San Antonio MacArthur, Midland Lee, Odessa Permian, Katy, Waco, Arlington Lamar, Harlingen.

- Class 4A
1. LakMarque (14)
2. Texas City (2)
3. Denison (2)
4. Waxahachie (2)
5. Stephenville
6. Sweetwater
7. Brownwood
8. Corpus Christi Callahan
9. Corsicana
10. Highland Park

- Also receiving votes: West Orange-Stark, Jacksonville, Grapevine, Lubbock Eastcote, Hays Consolidated, Kilgore, Waco Midway, Bay City, Jasper, Mount Pleasant, Dumas, Sulphur Springs, Alice, Houston Forest Brook.

- Class 3A
1. Seely (13)
2. Commerce (1)
3. Crockett (3)
4. Vernon (2)
5. Ladonia (1)
6. Daingerfield
7. Tatum
8. Cuero
9. Breckenridge
10. George West

- Also receiving votes: Friona, Elgin, Monahans, Newton, Coldspring, Hitchcock, Iowa Park, Winstonsboro, Marlin, Farmersville, Clifton, Aledo, Hamshire-Fannett, Abilene Wylie, Amarillo River Road, Frisco, Rusk, Sinton.

- Class 2A
1. Greenville (10)
2. Pilot Point (8)
3. Schreiner (1)
4. Lockney
5. Mart (1)
6. Elysian Fields
7. East Bernard
8. Grand Saline
9. Stamford
10. Alto
11. Holiday

- Also receiving votes: Iraan, Refugio, Riesel, East Chambers, Italy, Roscoe, Elkhart, Ganado, Celina, Crawford, Poth, Quanah, Kerens, Rosbud-Lott, Stanton.

- Class A
1. Tenaha (12)
2. Wheeler (4)
3. Granger (1)
4. Wink (2)
5. Runge
6. Burkeville
6. Springlake Earth (1)

- Also receiving votes: Iraan, Refugio, Riesel, East Chambers, Italy, Roscoe, Elkhart, Ganado, Celina, Crawford, Poth, Quanah, Kerens, Rosbud-Lott, Stanton.

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LOCAL BOWLING

DOUBLE TROUBLE
RESULTS: Team 1, 2-6; Team 2, 6-2; Team 3, 2-6; Team 4, 6-2; Team 5, 6-2; R's, 2-6; Awesome, 0-0; Team 8, 0-0; Team 9, 0-0; Team 10, 0-0; hi sc. team game and series, Team 4, 7-28 and 2062; hi hdp. team game and series, Team 4, 8-22 and Team 5, 2-34; hi sc. game and series, (men) James Rawls, 226 and 627; hi hdp. game and series (men) Arthur Moffett, 247 and James Rawls, 651; hi sc. game and series (women) Evelyn Williams, 179 and 530; hi hdp. game and series (women) Dana Whatley, 216 and Becky Fields, 596.

LADIES MAJOR LEAGUE
RESULTS - Team 6, 8-0; Day & Day Builders, 8-0; Team 12, 6-2; Green House Photogra, 6-2; Team 16, 6-2; Psycho Sisters, 6-2; Team 2, 6-2; Team 20, 6-2; Team 4, 4-4; Rocky's, 4-4; Neighbors Auto Sales, 4-4; Pack-Senders, 4-4; Team 9, 2-6; Big Spring Music, 2-6; Campbell Cement, 2-6; Barber Glass & Mirror, 2-6; K.C. Kids, 2-6; Cline Construction, 2-6; Gene's Dream, 0-8; Federal Oil, 0-8; hi sc. team game and series, Team 6, 7-29 and Team 8, 2006; hi hdp. team game and series, Campbell Cement, 889 and Team 12, 2571.

STARGATE LEAGUE
RESULTS - No Fear over LGR, 14-11; Team Two over Team Ten, 24-1; Team Nine over Big Spring Music, 12-9; Three B's over Allan's Furniture, 16-9; LL&R over Team Eight, 16-9; hi sc. game and series, James Rawls, 258 and Mike Elliott, 922; hi hdp. game and series, James Rawls, 271 and Mike Elliott, 922.

STANDINGS - Three B's, 226-99; Team Nine, 189-5-135-5; Big Spring Music, 187-5-137-5; LL&R, 171-15-4; LGR, 164-5-160-5; Team Eight, 154-5-170-5; Team Two, 146-17-9; Team Ten, 136-5-188-5; No Fear, 133-5-191-5; Allan's Furniture, 116-209.

1997 LEAGUE CHAMPIONS:
The Three B's, Terry Ward, Cory Elliot, Kirk Prater.

PINPOPPERS
RESULTS - Alley Cats over Health Food Store, 8-80; Dixie Chicks over VFW, 6-2; Petty Farms over Federal Oil, 6-2; Kuykendall tied Guy's Restaurant, 4-4; hi sc. game and series, Rosie Posey, 201 and Mary Ellis, 531; hi sc. team game and series, Guy's Restaurant, 615 and VFW, 1797; hi hdp. game and series, Mary Ellis, 246 and 675; hi hdp. team game and series, A & B Farms, 822 and 2331.

STANDINGS - Alley Cats, 8-0; Petty Farms, 6-2; Dixie Chicks, 6-2; Guy's Restaurant, 4-4; Kuykendall, 4-4; VFW, 2-6; Federal Oil, 2-6; Health Food Store, 0-8; A & B Farms, 0-0, 10-00.

Activated Of Scott Brosius from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned RHP Eric Ludwick to Edmonton of the Pacific Coast League.

National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Claimed 1B Mark Johnson off waivers from the Pittsburgh Pirates and optioned him to Indianapolis of the American Association.

FLORIDA MARLINS—Activated LHP Al Leiter from the 15-day disabled list. Sent RHP Donnell Pate to Charlotte of the International League.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Purchased the contract of C Randy Knorr from New Orleans of the American Association and placed Knorr on the 15-day disabled list.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Signed OF Derrick Maddox to a minor-league contract.

National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS—Agreed to terms with G Mookie Blaylock on a four-year contract extension.

Hingis wins, moves to fourth round

NEW YORK — Top-seeded Martina Hingis beat back her toughest challenge of the U.S. Open, defeating Elena Likhovtseva 7-5, 6-2 and advancing into the fourth round. Hingis, seeking her third Grand Slam tournament title of the year, lost her serve four times, but Likhovtseva failed to take advantage. The Russian held her serve only three times — all in the opening set. Still, Hingis was forced to

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stay on the Arthur Ashe Stadium court for 1 hour, 17 minutes, before winning. Meantime, Australia's Rachel McQuillan upset seventh-seeded Conchita Martinez 6-2, 7-5 and Spain's Magui Serna defeated No. 16 Kimberly Po of Incline Village, Nev., 6-4, 6-3. In other early women's matches, No. 10 Arantxa Sanchez Vicario downed

Alexandra Fusai of France 6-2, 6-1 and No. 12 Mary Joe Fernandez stopped Paola Suarez of Argentina 6-1, 6-2. In men's play, No. 6 Alex Corretja withdrew because of a strained left quadricep muscle. That put Richard Krajicek, who had been scheduled to face Corretja, into the fourth round in a walkover. Britain's Greg Rusedski also gained the fourth round with a 7-6 (7-5), 6-3, 6-1 win over Jens Knippschild of Germany. Please see OPEN, page 10A

SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

Goliad volleyball teams split with Andrews

Goliad volleyball squads took on Andrews teams Thursday and managed a split, winning the "A" match before dropping the "B" match. Carl Wise scored eight points and got additional scoring support from Cassie Coates' six points and Ashley Tuttle's five in leading Goliad's "A" to a 15-12, 15-1 win over the Andrews "A" team.

Andrews forged the split by retaliating in the "B" game with a 15-4, 15-7 win. Big Spring's "B" squad was led by Tiffany Garza, who finished the match with three points.

Herald seeking stringers for football coverage

The Big Spring Herald is looking for stringer photographers and writers interested in working high school football games this fall. Photographers must have their own cameras and photographic equipment.

For more information, contact sports editor John A. Moseley by calling the Herald at (915) 263-7331 ext. 233.

Annual Football Barbecue scheduled for Friday night

The Big Spring Evening Lions Club will have its Annual Football Barbecue from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 5, prior to the Big Spring-Monahans football game.

The meal will be served in the Big Spring High School cafeteria and plates will be priced at \$5 per person. To go plates will also be available. According to club officials, advance tickets are currently on sale. Funds raised from the project will help the Lions purchase eye glasses for school children, send a handicapped child to the Texas Lions Camp, as well as allow Lions to support a number of other local and state programs.

For more information, contact Squeaky Thompson at 263-2759, Al Valdes at 263-6810 or Bob Noyes at 267-6095.

Team roping event auction scheduled for Sept. 13

The Howard County Youth Horseman Club will have a benefit roping and auction on Sept. 13 at the HCYHC Arena. Entry fees are set at three turns for \$24. The event will be

progressive after one. Buckles will be awarded to the high money winners. Books for the event open at noon with competition to begin at 1 p.m.

Lady Steers Booster Club meeting set for Thursday

The Lady Steer Booster Club will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday in the meeting room at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

The club promotes volleyball, basketball, cheerleading, girls' track, softball and trainers and managers.

For more information, call 267-1541 or 393-5672.

Open 'county roping' set for Thursday

A "county roping" open to all ropers residing in Howard County has been scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday at the Rodeo Bowl in Big Spring.

The roping will be a "4/40" event in which participants may enter 5 times, however, ropers must pre-enter and pre-pay to compete. Books close on Monday.

For additional information, contact Diane Hofacket at 267-6251.

End of season softball tournament scheduled

The "End of Season Softball Tournament" will be played Saturday and Sunday at Cotton Mize Park in Big Spring. Entry fees are set at \$90 per team and the deadline for all entries will be Thursday.

Team trophies will be presented to the first-through third-place teams, while individuals on the first- and second-place teams will receive T-shirts. In addition, 10 all-tournament trophies will be awarded.

For more information, contact David Cruz at 267-2364, Marcus Phillips at 268-3324 or Jesse Rios at 264-6129.

Flag football program planned by YMCA

The Big Spring YMCA will have a youth flag football program this fall for boys and girls in kindergarten through the sixth grade.

An organizational meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, Sept. 15, at the YMCA building.

According to league organizers, all participants will play in games. The deadline for registration

is Sept. 27. For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Grady Booster Club meeting scheduled

The Grady Booster Club will have its first meeting of the football season at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, in the board room at the Grady School.

Club officials are encouraging all members of the community to attend and support the Wildcats.

YMCA starting co-ed volleyball league

The Big Spring YMCA will start a co-ed recreational volleyball league this fall and has scheduled an organizational meeting for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 9, at the YMCA.

In addition, the YMCA will also be organizing a co-ed power volleyball league. Those planning to be involved in that program will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 11.

For more information on both programs, contact the YMCA at 267-8234.

Mini Cheer Camp set for Saturday at college

Howard College's Mini Cheer Camp has been scheduled for Saturday at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Registration fees for the camp, for first through sixth graders, are \$20 per participant.

Registration for the camp will begin at 8 a.m., followed by a cheer and dance class from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Participants are encouraged to bring a sack lunch and a snack. For more information, contact Linda Berry at 264-5024.

1997 Blue Ribbon Permian Basin Fair & Expo Creative Arts Accepting Entries

Sunday, August 31st 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Monday, September 1st 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
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Allem, Sutherland share lead at GMO

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

BROWN DEER, Wis. — Fulton Allem last took a lead into the final round of a golf tournament in 1993, which is better than David Sutherland, his co-leader at the Greater Milwaukee Open. Sutherland, who didn't even play on the PGA Tour last year, was at the front of the pack for the first time in his career going into Sunday's final round of the GMO. His best finish was a tie for third at the 1991 Buick Southern Open.

Allem, who hadn't led after three rounds since winning the 1993 Southwestern Bell Colonial, shot a 7-under-par 64 Saturday for a three-round total of 200.

Sutherland also was at 13-under after firing a 65 on the tight, 6,739-yard Brown Deer Park course, the site of Tiger Woods' pro debut last year.

Woods skipped the event this year and John Daly missed the 36-hole cut Friday, leaving the GMO and ABC Sports without a weekend headliner.

Daly's departure also left a hodgepodge of mostly unknowns contending for the \$1.3 million purse, including a top prize of \$234,000.

Tom Pernice Jr. was third, a shot off the pace, after shooting a 64. Three golfers, including Milwaukee native Skip Kendall, were two shots behind

the leaders at 202. "I pulled up my current statistics off the Internet last night and I found out my Saturday stroke average was not anything to write home about," Kendall said. "So, I told my caddie, 'Let's have a good Saturday.'"

Ken Green and Scott Hoch also were at 202. Green, who won this event in 1988, finished with a 30 on the front nine where he eagled his final hole, the 359-yard, par-5 No. 9.

With Daly gone, the galleries turned their attention to others.

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Elusive Alaskan caribou prompt fruitless search

"Hey, Hale, the caribou are crossing the Richardson Highway near Paxton," said a cargo driver for Sealand Freight Company.



Boyce Hale
Outdoors

Almost everyone around the Anchorage municipal dock was aware that I wanted to kill a caribou, and that I would go hunting at the drop of a hat, so they kept me informed.

After listening to the truck driver explain in detail where he had seen the caribou, I decided to try my luck.

My job was to coordinate the flow of personnel, materials and subsistence to an offshore drilling platform in the Cook Inlet for Phillips Petroleum Co. If at any time I was not available, it was necessary to have another person to work in my stead.

After receiving permission, I rushed home and packed my hunting gear, plus enough "C" rations for a couple of days.

Then I drove from Anchorage to Glennallen where I turned north on the Richardson Highway. At Paxton, I checked every inch of the area for Caribou, but I didn't see one.

When I dropped into the Sourdough Inn for a bite, I asked the woman proprietor if she had any reports about caribou.

"Well, early this morning, a guy told me that he had seen a few about five miles south," she replied.

"What about the Denali Highway?" I asked. "Two hunters came through early this morning from Cantwell and they told me they had killed two nice caribou bulls yesterday," she said.

"Where along the highway did they kill them?" I wanted to know.

"I believe they said it was about 40 miles marker 95, but I'm not real sure," she said.

I sat wondering if I should try the Denali Highway. I had heard that at its best, the road was no more than a graded rocky stretch of earth for 135 miles.

After deciding to continue, I filled my gasoline tanks and headed west. My assessment was right. It was the worst road that I had driven - full of rocks, chuckholes and washouts.

As I drove along, it occurred to me that I could blow a tire at anytime or break all my shock absorbers. But about four hours later, I arrived at mile 95 without incident.

Except for some distant mountains, I was in the middle of nowhere - just flat wasteland.

Counting the mile markers, I drove five miles further, and found a suitable spot to park my travel-all and spend the night.

As I looked about a mile away. If I could get to the top of it, I figured I would be able to see great distances, thus helping my chances of detecting a caribou herd.

But night was approaching, so I decided to wait until the next morning.

I ate a few "C" rations, prepared my sleeping bag on the floor of the travel-all, and placed my pistol and flashlight within an arm's length as I slipped into the sleeping bag.

But the profound silence kept me awake, and it was hours before I dozed.

During the night, I was awakened by a cracking sound, and I picked up my flashlight in one hand and the pistol in the other as I tried to jump out of the sleeping bag.

In my excitement, I forgot to unzip the bag. I just knew that I would be eaten by a grizzly bear. But I mustered enough composure to lay down the pistol, unzip the bag and crawl out.

As I shined the beam of light around the area, I didn't see anything. But when I was

about to crawl back into the bag, I heard the crackling sound again.

Finally, it dawned on me - the muffler was contracting because of the cool temperature, and I felt embarrassed as I eased into the bag. But I still was sleepless for the remainder of the night.

Long before daylight, I rolled out, lit my propane stove, and brewed a pot of coffee to go with some more of those delicious "C" rations.

Shortly before sun-up, I stared what I estimated would be a two-hour hike up the nearby mountain. Four hours later I reached a point just under the summit.

Here I lowered myself to a prone position and peered out the other side of the mountain.

To my disbelief, I saw a huge set of caribou horns protruding above the rim rock about 200 yards below me.

It was adrenalin time, and my heart and breathing were trying to outdo one another.

I discarded everything except my rifle, and began to crawl. When I was within about 100 yards of my target, I slowly slipped my gun off safety, raised to my knees and looked into the scope.

What I saw would have made any grown man cry.

Propped against a large boulder was the head and horns of a previous kill.

It was a very long drive back to Anchorage.

Miami spoils Roberts' Baylor debut, 45-14

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

WACO — Miami lost its No. 1 tailback, but new Baylor coach Dave Roberts still had plenty of firepower left.

Edgerrin James, replacing the injured Dyral McMillan, scored three touchdowns and ran for 120 yards Saturday as No. 14 Miami spoiled Roberts' coaching debut with a 45-14 victory over the Bears.

"I was real nervous when I got into the games last year as a freshman," James said. "I told myself I was just wasting time being nervous and to do what I was capable of doing. It

really feels good getting a game like this. I think this puts me ahead next week."

James scored on runs of 23, 5, and 37 yards in the season opener for both teams as the Hurricanes victimized the NCAA's worst team against the rush in 1996.

"This kid was a high school sensation and I knew about him," said Roberts, Notre Dame's offensive coordinator in '96. "He was hard to tackle, that's for sure. Miami has a lot of running backs and he's a really good one."

Miami coach Butch Davis said McMillan's injury was the most serious suffered by the

Canes, although they had a number of players helped to the sidelines.

"We got a little banged up," Davis said. "It was good to see James come in and do the job he did. We have a lot of confidence in our running backs. We think he'll be a really good one."

Davis said Miami had to make adjustments because they didn't know what to expect from Roberts.

"I thought we did a pretty good job considering we didn't know what they were going to run," Davis said.

Miami took a 21-7 halftime lead over the Bears, who yielded

285 yards rushing per game last season.

McMillan left with a strained hamstring in the first period. James, a sophomore, quickly picked up the slack. He ran 23 yards for a touchdown the play after McMillan was hurt to cap an 80-yard drive that put Miami ahead 7-0. James ran 28 yards, then scored from five yards out for the Canes second touchdown.

Miami made it 21-0 early in the second quarter on a 75-yard drive. James went 28 yards on a pass from Ryan Clement to get the drive under way, and Clement capped it with a TD pass to fullback Carlo Joseph.

OPEN

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Corretja, one of five Spanish players seeded at the Open, had advanced with two tough four-set victories, defeating Marc Rosset and Bohdan Ulihrach. He was the highest seed left in defending champion Pete Sampras' half of the draw. A year ago, the two played a memorable five-set quarterfinal that left both men exhausted.

Sampras was to play his third-round match against Alex Radulescu later today.

Now, it appears that Venus Williams is for real.

In her U.S. Open debut, the lanky 17-year-old has reached the fourth round with a 6-3, 6-4 upset of eighth-seeded Anke Huber.

Her success doesn't surprise her.

"I know I can play well," she said after Friday's victory. "A lot of time I just don't play well in the matches. A lot of times I'm just not able to pull it out, not able to stay calm, not able to stay focused. I make a lot of mistakes."

"But I just had to bear down and say, 'Man, I can't do these things.' I think it's definitely a beginning."

In Friday's other upset, Australian Mark Woodforde, one-half of the world's best doubles team, defeated third-seeded Yevgeny Kafelnikov of Russia 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 (7-4).

Woodforde, teamed with Todd Woodbridge, was surprised in a first-round doubles match, losing 6-4, 3-6, 6-1 to Tom Kemper and Menno Oosting of the Netherlands.

COLUMN

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One thing is almost certain, Cotton says the winner this Friday won't ever let the other forget "who beat who" the most.

Apparently, there'll be plenty of opportunities for the victor to brag, because such friendships aren't easily dissolved.

"I'm probably the only coach in the state that would have stayed with him for those 17 years," Cotton quipped. "Of course, I'm sure if you asked him, he'd tell you he's the only coach in the state that would have hired me in the first place, let alone put up with me for that long."

When asked if it's exciting to put his own program up against that of his former mentor's, Cotton admits to enjoying the opportunity.

"We've gone up against each other twice and each of us has won one, but he's cheating ... he's got that Emerson kid at tailback," Cotton said.

That "Emerson kid" to which Cotton referred is, of course, all-state running back Arian Emerson, who gained 1,841 yards a year ago and has more than 3,000 career yards to his credit as the Wolves' starting tailback.

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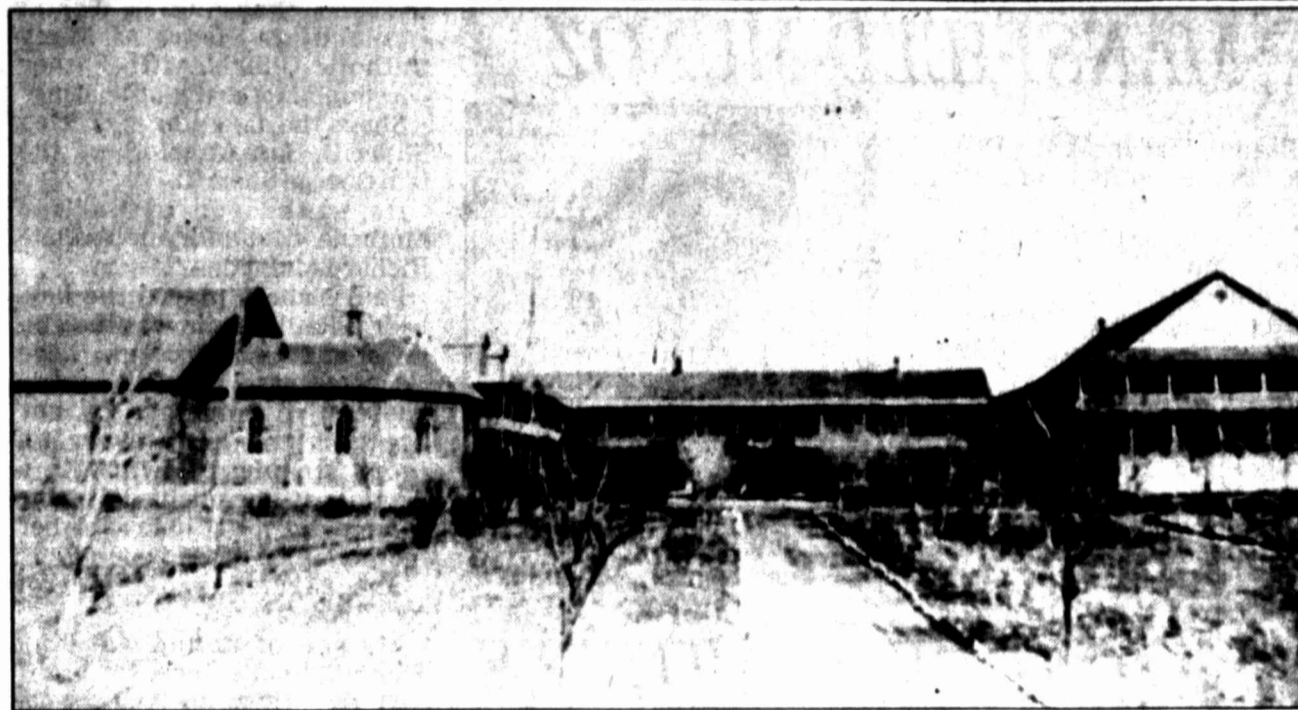
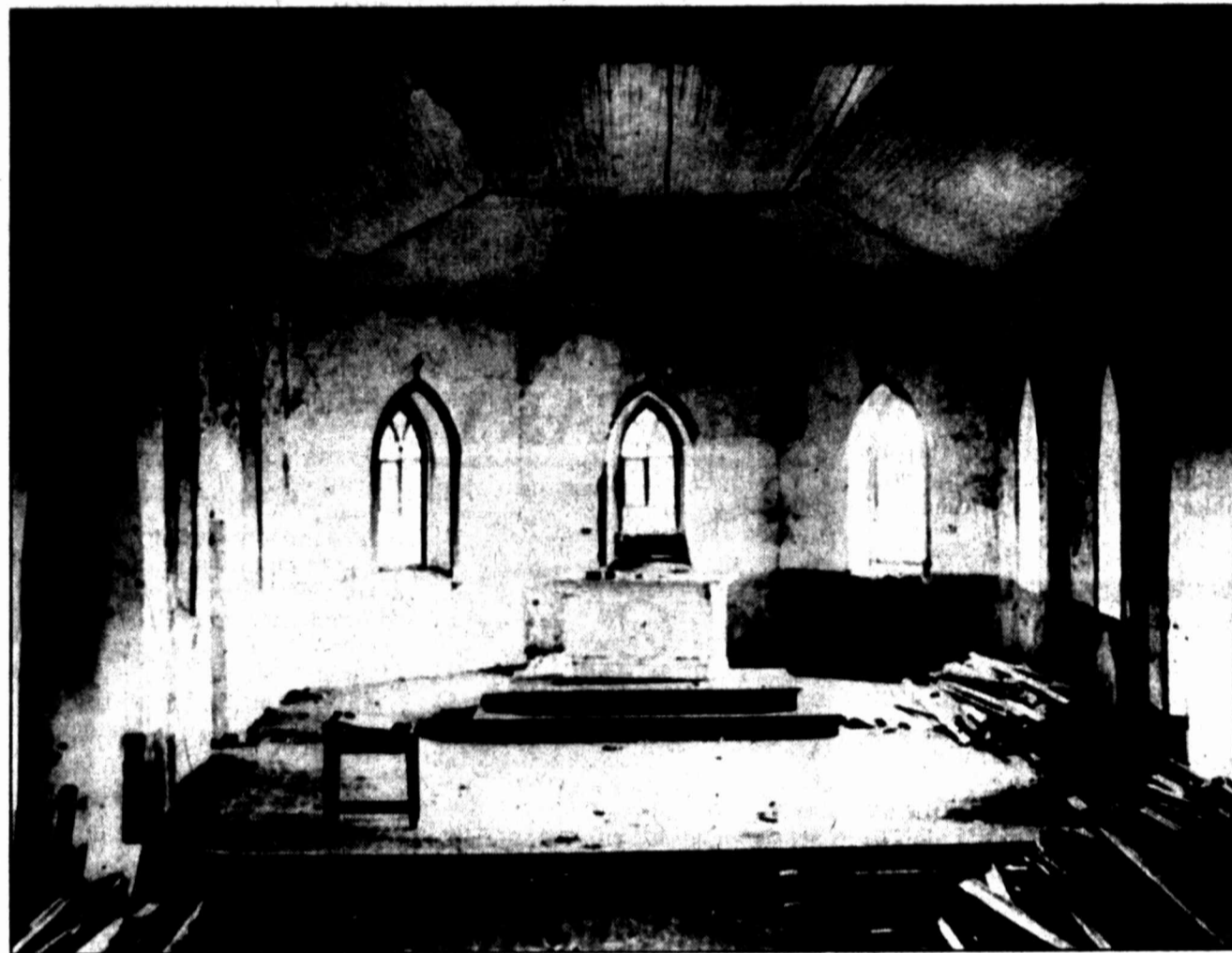
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NEW LIFE FOR OLD BEGINNINGS



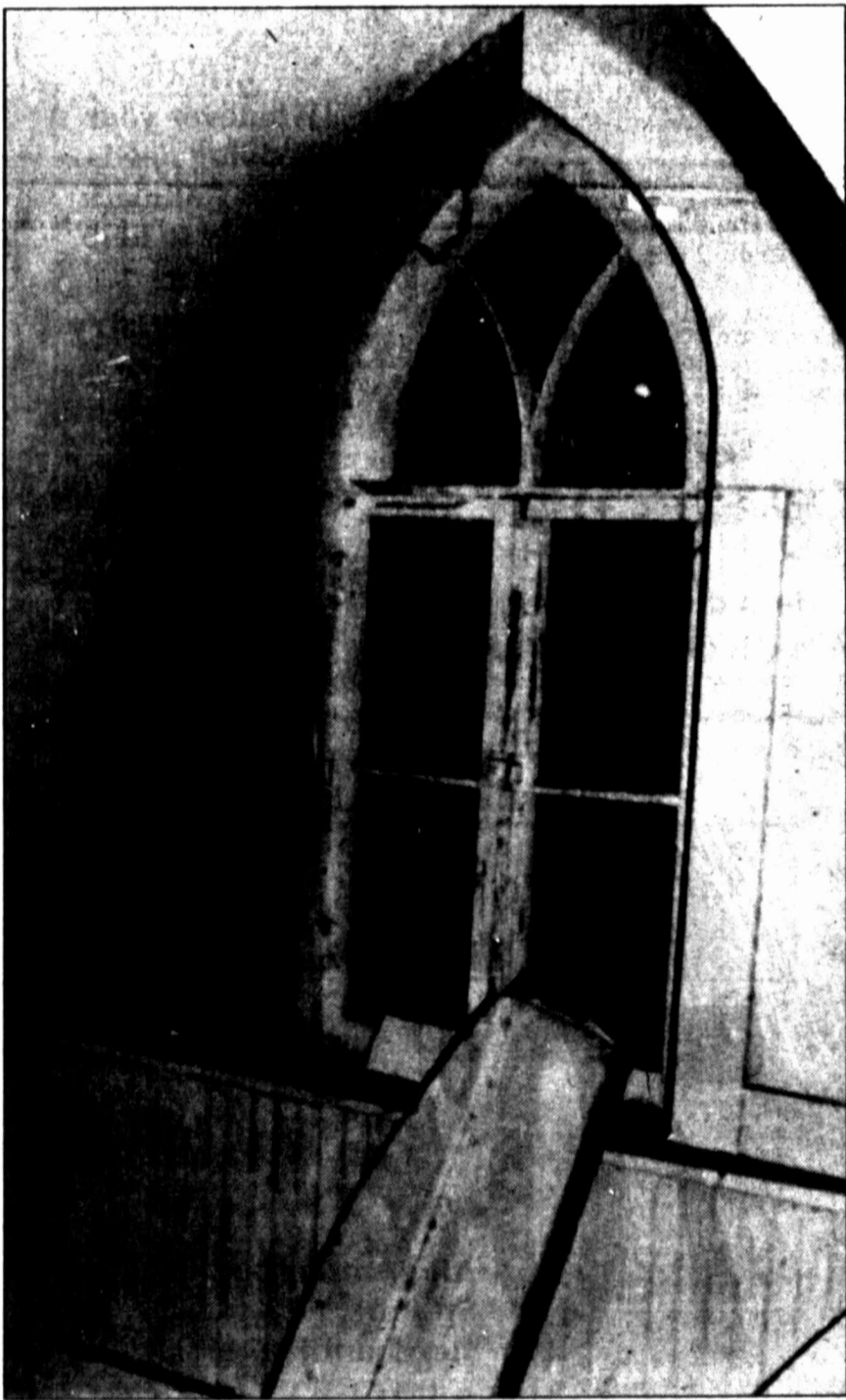
In 1884, the Roman Catholic order of Carmelite friars and area settlers built a monastery in Marienfield, now Stanton, to fulfill the spiritual need of the area. It was the first school in West Texas and the only church from El Paso to Fort Worth at the time of its opening. Later the Sisters of Mercy received the monastery and it became the Our Lady of Mercy Academy and Church until it was destroyed by a tornado in 1938 and had to be abandoned. Between its opening and its destruction, 4,000 students went through the school. The above photo shows how the monastery looked before its destruction. During the past several years, many organizations have conducted archeological digs around the monastery, in the hopes of finding some link to the past. Below is a photo of April Ward (from left), John Kennady, and Faye Wagner as they look through material in a screen box during one of the digs conducted by the Midland chapter of the Texas Archaeological Society. Restoration of the building is expected to begin in January or February of next year and will cost \$700,000. The photo on the bottom right shows how the monasteru looks now.

Courtesy photos and Herald File Photos



The inside of the convent (above and left) is in need of a large amount of work due to the damage done to it by time and the weather.

Courtesy photos



Labor Day: By their works you shall know them

We have Peter J. McGuire to thank for the Labor Day holiday. He was the founder of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters. In 1882 he suggested a national holiday to honor working people.

New York held a parade that September, and in 1894 President Grover Cleveland signed a bill making Labor Day a legal holiday.

When I was growing up, Labor Day meant three things to me: the swimming pool closed for the summer, school started the next day, and women put away their white shoes until next Easter.

And I remember what my mother and the other grown-ups I knew said about it, "Every day is Labor Day to me."

Everyone I knew was a housewife or worked for wages. If I had ever heard the word

"career" before I was 10 years old, I would have thought it meant somebody's behind.

Housewives, of the working class, always did a little something extra for pin-money. They took in washing, did ironing, kept other people's children, sewed for 'a lady,' or sold makeup and kitchen goods. They grew gardens and raised chickens, even if they lived in town.

Working class men weren't around the house much. Early in the mornings, you would see them leave the house with their lunchpails that looked like little black mailboxes and their water jugs wrapped in a piece of tow sack.

They went to oilfields and cotton fields, filling-stations and refineries. They went to rail yards and cow pens, and they didn't come home until nearly

dark, dirty and tired and walking slow.

They cleaned up and ate supper, and went to bed. Sometimes they counted the change in their pockets and handed a little money to their wives. "Make that last," the men said.

And the women made it last. They stretched dimes into dollars, and Sunday dinners far enough to feed the preacher and pack a lunch out of what was left on Monday morning.

Waste was a sin and closets were small.

Men owned work clothes and 'a good suit of clothes' for church or funerals.

Women owned a good dress they had usually sewed up for themselves, and 'ever-day' dresses. Ever-day dresses were made from flour sacks, or ordered out of the catalog in solids, stripes and multi-colored.

Kids had school shoes and Sunday shoes, and hand-me-downs were a way of life.

Very few working people had cars. They walked or caught a ride.

Owning a car was the first sign of moving up in the world. Families were sometimes identified as the ones that own the Chevy. Two cars in a working family were unheard of. Those were hard times. To

the working class who had a national holiday named in their honor, and the generations of workers who followed — they were not the good old days.

But hard work and scrimping and saving bring more rewards than just putting a roof over your head. It buys more than a bill of groceries.

It promotes a real awareness of our fellow man and the shape things are in. It makes us grateful and proud of what we've earned with our own hands.

And it makes us more willing to share with others. Ask any married couple you know, "When were your best years together?"

The answer you'll get most of the time is, "When we first started out and didn't have anything but each other."

I regret that our government,

with the best intentions in the world, has deprived too many people of the pride that comes from doing things for themselves and for each other. Without struggle and sacrifice, where is the pride?

Happiness lies within the pursuit.

But the spirit that makes America great is still out there. I see it every day in the people who have carried the lessons they learned as children into their adult lives.

They still see government men as reverenters, and they have more trust in themselves than someone up in Washington.

To everyone out there who earns their own keep—Happy Labor Day. All work is meaningful. A Carpenter taught us that.



Eunice Choate
Columnist

WEDDINGS

MANSFIELD-MUNOZ

Brandy Mansfield and Esmael Munoz were united in marriage on Aug. 22, 1997.

The ceremony took place in the home of the bride and groom, with Justice of the Peace China Long officiating.

She is the daughter of Lenora Scott, Odessa.

He is the son of Esmael and Linda Munoz, Big Spring.

The bride was given in marriage by John Lewis.

Matron of honor was Sandy Brott, and best man was Cliff Brott.



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ALEXANDER-MATTHEWS

Amy LeAnn Alexander and James Lynn Matthews, both of Big Spring, exchanged wedding vows on July 26, 1997, at Trinity Baptist Church with Rev. Randy Cotton, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Larry and Linda Alexander, Big Spring.

He is the son of Lynn and Janell Matthews, Jasper.

The couple stood before an archway of ivy, white wisteria and white tulle draped to the floor. Cupid pedestals on each side held large garden-look arrangements. White candelabras accented each side of the archway.

Vocalists were Steve Moses and Carrie Fox, sister of the bride.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown designed by Venus. It featured extensively beaded schiffli lace blossoms over the front and back bodice of illusion covering the sweetheart neckline. An elegant drape attached at the shoulders accented the plunging v-back. The gown's ball skirt was softly gathered chiffon with a chapel length train.

She carried a large cascading bouquet of white casa blanca lilies, pale pink stock, freesia, lavender lizianthus, pink larkspur, fresh lavender, bear grass and needlepoint ivy.

Matron of honor was Carrie Fox, sister of the bride, Big Spring.

Bridesmaids were Erin Roberts, Lubbock, and Emmy Sellers, Tahlequah, Okla.

Baylea Fox, niece of the bride, Big Spring, and Jace Manning, niece of the groom, Jasper, were the flower girls.

Best man was Bubba Saulsbury, Odessa.



MRS. JAMES L. MATTHEWS

Serving as groomsmen were Shelby Shaw, Kirbyville, and Bubba Beard, Webster.

Ushers were Chris Copeland and Jeff Phernetton, both of Big Spring.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Dora Roberts Civic Center.

The bride's cake was white, four-tiered, beveled Italian Cream with Italian scroll and topped with fresh alstromeria lilies. The groom's cake was chocolate on chocolate with a golf motif.

The bride is a graduate of Big Spring High School and received her Associate Degree from Howard College. She is currently a student in the Registered Nursing Program at Howard College.

The groom is a graduate of Kirbyville High School and attended Lemar University. He is currently employed by Fina Oil & Chemical.

Following a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple will make their home in Big Spring.

SHERRILL-MCBRIDE

Kimberly Ann Sherrill, Big Spring, and Dan Edward McBride, Midland, were united in marriage on Aug. 30, 1997, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church with Father Jeremiah McCarthy officiating.

She is the daughter of Shirley Sherrill, San Angelo, and the late George Sherrill.

He is the son of Earline McBride, Midland, and the late Richard McBride.

Paul Nabors played the keyboard, Raul Garcia was the guitarist and a vocalist, and Steve Carrasco was a vocalist.

Given in marriage by her brother, the bride wore an ivory strapless gown with a "redingot" jacket made in the same pattern and fabric as her mother's 1952 dress.

She carried a bouquet of ivory roses.

Matron of honor was Kay Sherrill, Round Rock.

Marila Milazzoto, Americana, Brazil, and Diane McBride, Midland, were the bridesmaids, and Katy Gentry, Midland, was the junior bridesmaid.

Flower girls were Brenna McBride, Lubbock, and Andrea Sherrill, Weatherford, and Cody Sherrill, Round Rock, was the ring bearer.

Jim Norton, Granbury, was the best man, and groomsman was Robert McBride, Seattle,



MR. AND MRS. DAN E. MCBRIDE
Wash. Paul Downing, Midland, was altar server.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

The wedding cake was a three tier ivory cake with pale blue roses and pearl decorations.

The bride is a graduate of San Angelo Central High and the University of Texas at Austin. She is a psychiatrist at West Texas Centers for MHMR.

The groom is a graduate of Midland Lee High School. He is employed as a proprietor of TCO Resources, LCC.

Following a wedding trip to Ruidoso, N.M., the couple will make their home in Midland.

Midland.

STORK CLUB

Mary Ashley McDaniel, girl, July 31, 1997, 12:15 p.m., seven pounds 13 ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Steven and Lois McDaniel.

Grandparents are Marion and Nelda Carter, Garden City, Theresa Winn, Midland, and Robert McDaniel, Las Vegas.

Alicia Renae Hernandez, girl, Aug. 15, 1997, 7:40 p.m., seven pounds 7.4 ounces and 19 1/2 inches long; parents are Christina and Tony Hernandez.

Grandparents are Manuel and Connie Davila and Apolonio and Josie Hernandez, all of Big Spring.

Garrett Lee Chalker, boy, July 22, 1997, 9:12, eight pounds 12 ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; parents are Andy and Lynne Chalker.

Grandparents are Bob and Laverne Chalker, Colorado City, and Betty McClure,

Dylan Ray Watson, boy, Aug. 4, 1997, 8 p.m., six pounds 4 1/2 ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Michael and Tracy Watson.

Grandparents are Buddy Meeks, Estelle Meeks, LaQuita Watson, all of Big Spring, and the late Travis Watson.

Madison Blair, girl, Aug. 4, 1997, 12:20 p.m., seven pounds eight ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Christian and Valerie Showalter, Wichita Falls.

Grandparents are Donald and Myrna Richardson, Big Spring, and Albert and Rossie Showalter, Taylorville, Ill.

Billie Dawn Adele Smith, girl, July 26, 1997, 11:38 p.m., eight pounds five ounces and 19 inches long; parents are William E. and Deborah Smith.

Grandparents are Maurice and Mary Smith. The baby was delivered by Tommy and Pepper Sullivan.

Paid announcement

NEWCOMERS

Newcomers welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include:

Mike and Deborah Jones, Brownfield. He works for Unichem, and she is employed by the Big Spring ISD.

Robert C. Bronough, Lubbock. He works for Howard College.

Loren Chandler, Boise, Idaho. He is employed by Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Recipe Corner

This monthly feature runs the second Wednesday of each month in the life! section. Submit recipes to Recipe Corner, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79721. Or drop them by the Herald office, or fax to 264-7205. Include your name and phone number.

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"Fluffy Tail" Neutered year old male tabby, brown, with a very fluffy tail.

"Fairlie" 1-year-old female, spayed and white.

"Samantha" 3-month-old female, white, black and gold.

These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$45 and cats are \$35. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two-week trial period.

IN THE MILITARY

PFC Ryan H. Wilkerson, son of Ed and Patsy Wilkerson, Big Spring, has completed basic training at Fort Leonardwood, Mo. He is stationed at AF Fort Polk, La. He departed for Bosnia on Aug. 12.

Ryan is a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School.

Navy Airman Eric B. Smith, son of Harlan V. and Debbie K. Smith, Big Spring, recently participated in Exercise Iron Magic '97 while on a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans aboard the multipurpose amphibious assault ship USS Boxer.

The 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School joined the Navy in July 1996.

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Paul and Trudy Coker and sons John, Patrick, and Benjamin, El Paso. He is employed by Cornell Corrections as a physician assistant, and she is employed by Odessa Regional Hospital.

Jim and Ramona Carnes, Cleveland, Ohio. He works for the VA Medical Center.

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BOYDSTON-BARRY

Tammy Boydston and Kevin Barry were united in marriage on Aug. 14, 1997, in Rushford, Minn.

She is the daughter of Troy and Jessie Boydston, Big Spring.

He is the son of Joe and Helen Barry, Rushford, Minn.

Birdwell Lane Church of Christ honored the couple with a wedding shower on July 24, 1997. It was held in the home of J.M. and Janie Ringener, hosted by Vivian Griffith, Bea Kelly, Ozella Long, Amy Reagan, Janie Ringener and Kay Shaw.



MR. AND MRS. KEVIN BARRY

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ANNIVERSARIES

Brown

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn L. Brown, Stanton, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary from 3 to 6 p.m. Sept. 6, 1997, with a reception at the Martin County Community Center hosted by their children and friends.

He was born in Warrensburg, Mo., and she was born in Valliant, Okla., as Mary Prudie Story. They met at the University of Colorado. They were married on Aug. 29, 1947, at the Church of Christ parsonage in Big Spring. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have three children, Dr. Guy Story Brown, Dallas, Suzanna Brown, Dallas, and the late Baxter Brown.

They also have three grandchildren. The couple have lived in Boulder, Colo., and in Stanton during their marriage. Glenn owned Stanton Drug Co. for 32 years and currently



MR. AND MRS. GLENN L. BROWN works there. Mary Prudie is a past president of the National Federation of Music Clubs and serves on the board of trustees of Abilene Christian University. They are affiliated with the Church of Christ.

Mize



MR. AND MRS. A.C. "COTTON" MIZE, THEN AND NOW

A.C. "Cotton" and Billie Mize will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 13, 1997. The family will welcome guests to a reception to be held at First Church of the Nazarene, 1400 Lancaster, Big Spring, Texas, from 2 to 4 p.m. The children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren will host this celebration.

Cotton was born in Big Spring. Mrs. Mize's maiden name was Billie Yvonne Norris. She moved from Fresno, Calif. and began working at the State Drug Store where she met Cotton after he returned from serving in the U.S. Air Force in January, 1947. They were married Aug. 31, 1947, in the Church of the Nazarene and have lived in Big Spring all their married life.

Cotton was employed by Grapette and 7-up Bottling Companies for seven years. Later, he was self-employed as a Morton Food Distributor for over 30 years. Billie was employed for 13 years as a legal

secretary for Cunningham & Cunningham and Walton S. Morrison. For the last 35 years, she was employed as medical secretary/supervisor at the VA Hospital. They are both retired although Cotton is involved with various rental properties. Both have been actively involved in church and community activities. Cotton has been involved in city, state and national fast-pitch softball for over 50 years.

Cotton served as mayor of Big Spring from 1986-1989, and given further recognition when the Cotton Mize Softball Field was named in his honor.

Currently, the couple enjoys their children, six grandchildren and two great-granddaughters with timely get togethers, school athletics and special programs.

They both agree that marriage has had its ups and downs but their faith and trust in God has provided blessings of health, strength and encouragement for 50 years.

GETTING ENGAGED



Deana Elaine Ross and Christopher Mack Schneider will exchange wedding vows on Sept. 6, 1997, at Central Church of Christ, Abilene, with Rev. Jim Fields, Sand Springs Baptist Church, officiating.

She is the daughter of Reggie and Kelley Ross, Abilene, and Teresa and Alan Veil, Rosenberg.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Schneider.

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Floyd

Jeanette and Marion "Butch" Floyd celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary with the renewal of their marriage vows on Aug. 16, 1997, at the home of Dr. Robert and Rhonda Hayes hosted by Verlinda and Stanely Phillips, Rhonda and Robert Hayes, Rance and Cindy McKee, Preston McKee, Brenda McKee, Terra and James Lawrence, and Marla Floyd.

He was born in Midland, and she was born in Knott as Jeanette Hewett. They met at Furr's Cafeteria where they both worked. They were married on Aug. 18, 1972, by the Justice of the Peace at the Howard County Courthouse. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd have seven children, Verlinda Phillips, Rhonda Hayes, Preston McKee, Brenda McKee, Marla Floyd, all



JEANETTE AND MARION "BUTCH" FLOYD

of Big Spring, Rance McKee, Belton, and Terra Lawrence, Abilene, and 13 grandchildren. They have lived in Howard County and Sterling City during their marriage.

She is a housewife, and he is employed by Permian Pump & Supply in Sterling City.

Kelly

Bea and Charley Kelly celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner party on Aug. 30, 1997, at K.C. Steakhouse hosted by their children and grandchildren.

They have three children, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Edwards of Big Spring, Mr. and Mrs. James Kelly of Texas City, and Lisa Hughes of Gilmer. They also have eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He worked at Fina until retiring in 1980. She owned and operated the Cut & Curl Beauty Shop. They are currently volunteers for Meals on Wheels and the reading program at Washington Elementary.

They are members of the



MR. AND MRS. CHARLEY KELLY Birdwell Lane Church of Christ.

Parents may use messy room to represent issues

By JUDITH NEWMARK
St. Louis Post-Dispatch

In a society fraught with perils for young teens, where drugs and eating disorders and sex may turn from parental nightmares into real-life issues, what is the No. 1 worry of the parents of children from age 10 to 15?

The messy room.

So say Charlene Giannetti and Margaret Sagarese, who, with the support of National Middle School Association, have surveyed hundreds of those parents, as well as their children and their children's teachers, across the United States and Canada.

The answer surprised them. Eventually, Sagarese said, they decided the messy room was the parents' emotional shorthand for two larger issues: control ("This is my house, isn't it?") and anxiety about all the rapid, baffling changes their child is going through. "We look for order, so when we see disorder we feel like failures," she said. "It's like we are trying to tell them to organize themselves, but they can't."

"Inside their bodies and their minds at this age, 10 to 15, it's like a three-ring circus." These are the kids that Sagarese and Giannetti have dubbed "middlers." And they are the subject of the women's new book, "The Roller Coaster Years" (Broadway Books, \$15).

Each woman, a veteran author who lives in the New York area, came to the topic with a keen interest: Giannetti has a middler son and daughter,

and Sagarese has a middler daughter too, plus experience teaching junior high.

They spent two years collecting research and interviewing specialists. Along the way, they came up a few points they consider key for any parent of a middler to keep in mind:

Pick your battles. Drinking is out of the question. Green nail polish is no big deal. Sometimes it's not so clear-cut. Live with what you can and save your efforts for what you consider out of bounds.

Overton

Ricky and Cindy Overton celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Aug. 24, 1997, with a party at the Coahoma Community Center hosted by John Overton, Sonja McAnally and Richard Overton.

They were both born in Big Spring, and she was born as Cindy Ward. They were friends in Coahoma. They were married on Aug. 23, 1972, in Del Rio. Mr. and Mrs. Overton have three children, John Overton, Fort Worth, Sonja McAnally, Fritch, and Richard Overton, Coahoma, and four

grandchildren. They have lived in Coahoma during their marriage.

He currently works for CX Trucking, and she works at Lake Way. They had previously owned Pardner Well Service for years.

They enjoy spending time with their children and grandchildren.

This was their comment about their marriage, "We have had a lot of laughs in the last 25 years and hope to have a lot more in the next 25."

Recipe Corner

This monthly feature runs the second Wednesday of each month in the life section. Submit recipes to Recipe Corner, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79721. Or drop them by the Herald office, or fax to 264-7205. Include your name and phone number.

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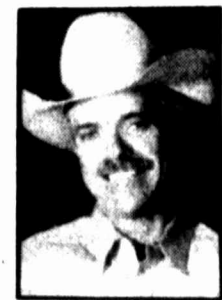


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ON THE MENU

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER LUNCH

MONDAY - Closed For Labor Day.
 TUESDAY - Enchiladas; Spanish rice; beans; tossed salad; milk/rolls; fruit.
 WEDNESDAY - Charbroiled steak; new potatoes; carrots; cucumber/tomato salad; milk/rolls; pie.
 THURSDAY - Meat loaf; macaroni; green beans; carrot/raisin salad; rolls/milk; applesauce.
 FRIDAY - Pork chops; dressing; mixed vegetables; Waldorf salad; milk/rolls; cake.

BIG SPRING SCHOOLS LUNCH

ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY 1ST CHOICE
 MONDAY - Holiday.
 TUESDAY - Steak fingers; whipped potatoes; green beans; pear halves; hot roll; milk.
 WEDNESDAY - Crispy Chicken sandwich; potato rounds; lettuce & tomatoes; pickle spears; grapes; milk.
 THURSDAY - Mexican Jambalaya; salad; rice; salsa; mixed fruit; milk.
 FRIDAY - Hamburger; salad; French fries; pork & beans; chocolate cake; milk.

GARDEN CITY SCHOOL LUNCH

MONDAY - No School.

TUESDAY - Turkey fritters; mashed potatoes; gravy; fruit cocktail; hot rolls; buttered carrots; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Chalupas; cheese; salad; corn; peanut butter bar; milk.
THURSDAY - Roast beef; gravy; rice; sweet peas; cobbler; rolls; milk.
FRIDAY - Sandwiches - tuna; peanut butter; pimento cheese; fries; baked beans; brownie; milk.

STANTON SCHOOLS - NO MENU RECEIVED

ELBOW SCHOOL LUNCH

MONDAY - No School.
 TUESDAY - Stew; corn; fruit; cornbread; milk.
 WEDNESDAY - Burrito; buttered new potatoes; salad; fruit; milk.
 THURSDAY - Mr. Rib Sandwich; pork n beans; chips; fruit; milk.
 FRIDAY - Pizza; salad; fruit; milk.

FORSAN SCHOOL LUNCH

MONDAY - No School.
 TUESDAY - Steak fingers; whipped potatoes and gravy; English peas; hot rolls; pears; milk.
 WEDNESDAY - Hot dogs; French fries; salad; relish and onions; cookies and creme; milk.
 THURSDAY - Chicken sandwich; pork and beans; chips; salad; cinnamon rolls; milk.
 FRIDAY - Fajitas and cheese Ranch style beans; Spanish rice; salad; sherbet; milk.

GRADY SCHOOL LUNCH

MONDAY - Holiday.
 TUESDAY - Pizza; corn; fruit; dessert; and milk.
 WEDNESDAY - Beef fajitas; red beans; fruit; dessert and milk.
 THURSDAY - Ham & cheese pockets; peas; fruit; dessert and milk.
 FRIDAY - Hamburgers; French fries; fruit; dessert and milk.

COAHOMA - NO MENU RECEIVED

SANDS SCHOOLS LUNCH

MONDAY - No School.
 TUESDAY - Chicken nugget w/gravy; blackeye peas; whole new potatoes; cake or fruit; hot rolls; milk.
 WEDNESDAY - Beef & cheese tacos; pinto beans; salad; cornbread; pudding; milk.
 THURSDAY - Steak fingers w/gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; fruit; milk.
 FRIDAY - Fiestados; salad; pork & beans; cookies & fruit; milk.

WESTBROOK LUNCH

MONDAY - Holiday.
 TUESDAY - Steak fingers/gravy; creamed potatoes; green beans; biscuits; syrup; honey; milk.
 WEDNESDAY - Beefy macaroni; corn; spinach; rolled wheat biscuits; milk.
 THURSDAY - Frito pie; tossed salad; pinto beans; cornbread; jelly; milk.
 FRIDAY - Hamburgers; lettuce; tomato; onion; pickles; French fries; goodie bar; milk.

It won't leave you wanting more

"Out of Sight." Elmore Leonard. Dell Publishing, New York, New York. August, 1997. 341 pages, \$8.99.

Picture this: prisoners crawling out of a tunnel that opens into the prison parking lot, a female United States Marshall getting out of her car, and the car parked behind her is the getaway car for the escapees. Before you can catch your breath in this scenario, Jack Foley, the last convict to come out of this tunnel, and Karen Sisco, the U.S. Marshall, find themselves locked in the trunk of the getaway car being driven to meet with another car and driver.

The bizarre conversation in the car trunk runs the gamut from scenes of various films in which they could picture themselves to how they would feel if they had met at a different time in different circumstances.

Even though Karen and Jack are released from the confinement of the trunk, circumstances out of their control sets each of them free - Karen to return home and back to work, and Jack to meet up with former convicts.

However, neither is able to forget the charisma of the other. While Jack and his friends head for more familiar territory to plan their next heist, Karen replays conversations she had with Jack remembering places he may go. With connections in various crime-fighting units, she manages to manipulate assignments consciously leading to the areas she is sure Jack will resurface.

Karen and her father, a former lawman, have a good relationship, but most of their conversations were pointless, with one trying to outguess what the other is going to say. Most of the other characters in the

book were criminals involved in some form of foolish and dull behavior.

"Out of Sight" has a rather light story, but underneath the subtle humor is the very real moral dilemma of how much we can excuse the behavior of someone we care about.

Elmore Leonard has done a superb job of walking a very narrow ethical line, and allowing the reader to choose the path he/she might walk in the same situations. It was easy to empathize with both Jack and Karen, and

knowing that at times each was tempted to satisfy their personal desires despite the outcome.

There was always the question, "What if it were different?" Leonard has written over 30 books, and would probably be best known for "Mr. Majestyk" and "Get.Shorty." He writes with a subtle, tongue-in-cheek humor, yet there is no doubt of the seriousness of the crimes involved.

With such a thin plot, much of the unsavory activity such as posturing, killing, planning, and sex could have been eliminated. Of course, there wouldn't have been much of a book left.

This book might be tolerable if you're stuck in traffic or waiting in a doctor's office, but if you have a choice, take along something else.

Rating: one out of four = Save your time and money!



Pat Williams
Paperback Book Reviewer

Women's Care Update

By Michael S. Phillips, M.D.
Diplomate, American Board Obstetrics & Gynecology

WHERE THERE'S SMOKE...

Pregnant women who smoke place the health of their unborn children in jeopardy. Two of the more potentially harmful chemicals found in cigarette smoke are nicotine and carbon monoxide. Studies indicate that nicotine triggers narrowing of the blood vessels leading to the uterus, resulting in a reduction in the concentration of oxygen in the fetal circulation. This constriction may permanently damage blood vessels (affecting the outcome of future pregnancies) and is the likely reason why smokers give birth to smaller babies. Of even greater concern is carbon monoxide, which readily crosses the placenta and reduces the blood's oxygen-carrying ability. This may be a more significant cause of permanent and disabling fetal growth retardation than nicotine.

If you're planning a baby, let's find a way for you to quit smoking. As medical professionals we know it's especially tragic for ALL concerned when a baby is born with problems caused by preventable behaviors. We urge all women to speak to their doctors about smoking before they try to conceive; there are many new products and programs that can help you quit. Incidentally, the mother-to-be is not the only one who should stop - dad's secondhand smoke is also unsafe for him, his wife, other children in the home, and the unborn baby. For comprehensive OB/GYN care, call us at (915) 522-2222 for an appointment. We're located at the Medical Care Plaza, 1300 Gregg Street, every Tuesday, here in Big Spring.

GETTING ENGAGED



Janiece Slaughnessy and Stephen Ferrell, both of Lewisville, will exchange wedding vows on Sept. 20, 1997, at Lakeland Baptist Church in Lewisville with Dr. Prentess Ferrell, father of the groom, officiating.

She is the daughter of Charles Earl and Barbara Ann Russell, Big Spring, and the granddaughter of O.H. and Barbara Daily, Big Spring.

He is the son of Prentess and Betty Ferrell, San Antonio.



Charlene Rodriguez and Severo Leija, Jr. will be united in marriage on Sept. 6, 1997, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Richardson.

She is the daughter of Betty Rodriguez and the granddaughter of Carlos Rodriguez, Big Spring.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Severo Leija, Sr.



Tammi Mason and Joseph Ray will unite in marriage on Dec. 27, 1997, at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring with Rev. Randy Cotton, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Mason, Big Spring.

He is the son of Debbie Conaway, Midland, and Don Larson, Madison, Ala., and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Ray, Big Spring.

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Big Spring Herald

Do you have an interesting item for the Herald Business section? Call Carlton Johnson, 283-7331, Ext. 232.

Sunday, Aug. 31, 1997

Cigarette smoke still encountered on the job

DALLAS (AP) — The red-eyed souls who tend bars, wait tables and proffer \$9 licenced cigars at those so-called smoking lounges aren't the only workers breathing tobacco fumes every time they punch in.

Despite a cascade of public and private restrictions on where smokers can light up — the latest being the executive order President Clinton signed Aug. 9 outlawing smoking in federal buildings — millions of workers aside from bar and restaurant staffers still encounter cigarette smoke on the job.

Among them: long-haul flight attendants, assembly-line workers, small-business employees and all manner of white- and blue-collar workers at tobacco companies and their corporate owners and siblings.

"You can smoke all over except there's certain places where they don't want you, within red-line areas," says Tracy Baker, 38, a nonsmoker who assembles seats for Buick Skylarks and Pontiac Grand Ams at a General Motors plant in Lansing, Mich.

Workers aren't allowed to smoke around any combustible chemicals, in private offices, or inside vehicles where the smell might rankle customers. But all along many assembly lines and in team meeting rooms and break areas, cigarette smoke scents the air.

"If somebody's smoking next to you, you can still smell it," says Baker, who denies any annoyance at the fact. "If it bothers you, you just ask them to stop."

Gary Scribner, 52, a two-pack-a-day smoker and supervisor at the same plant, says he would probably quit if he had to smoke outdoors in the harsh Michigan winters. He says it's only reasonable that the company accommodate him and his

smoking colleagues. "As a smoker, I feel I have rights, too," says Scribner, who once quit for 10 years. "I was hired as a smoker. So for them to say, 'Sorry you can't smoke here ...'"

Restrictions on workplace smoking date to the 1980s, when public attitudes began changing and the U.S. Surgeon General released a report presenting evidence that "involuntary" smoking can cause lung cancer in nonsmokers.

About 80 percent of U.S. employers have some workplace smoking policy, ranging from bans to designated smoking areas. Forty-six states require smoke-free indoor air to some degree, mostly in state government work sites. At the local level, thousands of cities and towns regulate smoking.

Arlington, Texas, for example, prohibits smoking in all common areas such as confer-

ence rooms, break areas and shared office space. Smoking areas may be designated but only up to a certain percentage of the total space. The GM plant in Arlington bars all indoor smoking.

New York City's policy restricts smoking in public areas of business establishments, including office buildings. But the ordinance contains an exception for so-called "tobacco businesses" that make or sell tobacco products and accessories.

That means that at Philip Morris Cos.' offices on Park Avenue, "You can smoke anywhere in the building except the elevators — and there are nonsmoking lounges," said Darienne Dennis, a spokeswoman for the parent company of cigarette giant Philip Morris and Miller Brewing, Kraft and General Foods.

And why not? Tobacco com-

panies insist scientists have not proved that secondhand smoke is dangerous.

During the Florida lawsuit brought by flight attendants against the tobacco industry, jurors watched a videotaped deposition by Andrew Schindler, president of the company that makes Winston, Salem, Camel and Doral cigarettes.

Asked whether secondhand smoke causes cancer, the head of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. said: "There's absolutely no proof for it."

But according to government statistics, 47,000 Americans a year die from heart disease caused by secondhand smoke, 3,000 die of lung cancer and 150,000 others suffer nonfatal heart attacks.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration is considering rules banning smoking in most public workplaces.

The pressure doesn't faze pawn shop clerk Rebecca Valentine of Dallas, who ignores the articles about secondhand smoke colleague Bob Pool posts on a bulletin board behind the counter.

Pool, 63, says he can't abide the smell of smoke in his clothes or the thought of his health suffering. But even though he owns Bob's Pawn & Swap, he says he doesn't want to lose Ms. Valentine's stocking, cashing, dishwashing and Spanish-speaking services.

Ms. Valentine, who smokes less than a pack a day and has personally bought smoke-sucking fans for the shop, says Pool is right about what would happen if he banned smoking at work.

"I'd probably just quit" working for Pool, she said one broiling August afternoon. "It's too hot or too cold to go outside and smoke."

LUNCH IN THE SUN

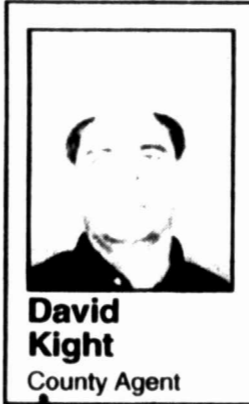


Santa Fe Sandwiches in Big Spring Mall is in its ninth year of service to Big Spring and celebrated a year-long expansion project Thursday with a ribbon-cutting ceremony to unveil its new patio dining area. Pictured are employees Brent Zitzkopf, left, Jeannie Tonn, owners Jeannie Cunningham and Jo Ogle, Melinda Garcia and Jamie Bolton. Santa Fe can now seat 64 customers inside its store and an additional 36 on the patio. Gathered around the six concrete tables that have large umbrellas on them are members of the Ambassadors group.

Change a part of life, presents a big challenge

Change is inevitable. How we as individuals handle the changes in our lives is what separates individuals from one another.

The Howard County Extension Service has endured several changes in the past three months.



David Kight
County Agent

With the retirement of former County Extension Agent Don Richardson, and the moving of the extension office to the basement of the Howard County Courthouse, not to mention the departure of former Assistant County Agent Keith Klement to Archer County to become a full county agent, our office has been quite busy during the past three months.

With these changes come challenges, but with these challenges also comes opportunities. We have a staff within the Howard County Extension Office to not only meet these challenges but to exceed them.

Our latest addition is Brandon McGinty. Brandon will be assuming the role of Assistant County Extension Agricultural Agent for Howard County.

Brandon is a native of West Texas and has grown up with involvement in the 4-H program.

He is a recent graduate of Tarleton State University and will be an outstanding addition to an already outstanding staff.

We as staff members of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service for Howard County are excited about our changes and feel confident that we can meet and exceed those challenges.

Seymore joins Big Spring's Eye Associates

HERALD Staff Report

Something Big Spring didn't have an abundance of up until a week ago was optometrists, but Dr. John Marshall and Dr. Harold Smith of The Eye Associates have remedied the situation by adding Dr. Ted Seymore to their staff.



Seymore, 27, is a recent graduate of the University of Houston and a native of Merkel. He and his wife Shayla, a kindergarten teacher in Coahoma have relocated to Big Spring because it get them closer to home.

The presence of Seymore will give Big Spring a therapeutic optometrist, meaning he will focus on contact lens care as well as ocular diseases (common diseases of the eye).

"I wanted to come back to this area," Seymore said. "I picked Big Spring, San Angelo and Brownwood to consider and I felt like Dr. Marshall's office had the best practice, so we decided to come here."

Returning to West Texas was also an easy choice for Seymore because he is involved with his family's gaming ranch near Abilene and takes care of the hunting and business end of things.

Seymore originally wanted to be a basketball coach, but became burned out on the idea prior to graduating from McMurry University.

"I'm a contact wearer myself and I began researching the field (optometry) and decided to switch," Seymore said.

"Dr. Smith and I are happy to get Ted (Seymore) introduced to the Big Spring community," Marshall said.

Nissan's small sporty 200 SX scoring big

By DICK WILLIAMSON
Scripps Howard News Service

When the Japanese grabbed hold of the small-car market in the early '80s, many credited the fuel economy of the little imports.

Others thought reliability was the key. But those advantages would not have amounted to much if the cars hadn't been fun to drive.

Brisk little econoboxes like the Datsun / Nissan 210, Honda Civic and Toyota Corolla could scoot around corners and zip through intersections with surprising vigor, as long as you didn't saddle them with air conditioning and automatic transmission.

Meanwhile, the Big Three were building dutifully dull competitors that were burdened by shoddy quality and poor performance. Remember the Chevy Citation?

In the past couple of decades, the domestic brands have caught up. Cars like the Chevrolet Cavalier, Dodge Neon and Ford Escort are bringing ever stronger quality and performance credentials to the market.

But the Japanese haven't lost a lot of ground either. Case in point is the Nissan 200SX, a sporty version of the entry-level Sentra.

Just stylish enough to pass muster on a college campus (spare me the spoiler), the two-door 200SX sells in a broad price range of \$13,000 to \$17,549 and comes in three trim levels, base, SE and SE-R.

The front-drive coupe has two available engines. The base, 115-horsepower, 1.6-liter, 4-cylinder engine is typical of the class — 5 horses stronger than the Ford Escort's powerplant.

But the 140-horsepower, 2-liter engine that powers the SE-R turns the car into a

much more energetic performer.

When harnessed to Nissan's light, quick, 5-speed stick, the SE-R can go from a dead stop to 60 mph in 8.4 seconds.

I found the SE-R a lot of fun to drive. The gear ratios are just right for optimum response. You can rev the engine pretty high without any harshness.

And the power disc brakes stop with real authority.

The independent front suspension and rear multi-link beam stand up well to hard maneuvers, with minimal body lean and stable handling. Over washboard roads, however, the back end seems a bit jumpy.

The ride is generally quiet, but a few rattles and squeaks emanate from the joints of the front roof pillars and the dash on rough surfaces.

Like others in the subcompact class, the 200SX and its Sentra sibling have grown over the years. The 200SX's wheelbase remains shorter than some of the competitors, however. At 99.8 inches, the 200SX's base is 3.4 inches shorter than the Honda Civic's.

With the 5-speed stick, the 200SX weighs in at 2,533 pounds, more than 200 pounds heavier than the Civic.

Fuel economy of 23 city and 31 highway miles per gallon is commendable. Filling the 13.2-gallon tank over a year's time should cost about \$693.

For a subcompact coupe, the 200SX is surprisingly roomy and comfortable, though access to the back seats requires some agility on the part of the passengers. If your passenger is 6-feet or taller, forget the back seat. He or she may not complain about leg room, but headroom is inadequate.

The driver's seat won't discourage you from taking long road trips.

Bomer approves lower auto insurance down payments

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans who make monthly installment payments on car insurance will get lower down payments and more time to pay balances under a rule approved Thursday by Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer.

Bomer said expensive down payments and sizable monthly payments contribute to the problem of too many uninsured drivers.

"Working people who live from paycheck to paycheck often must spread their car insurance premiums to fit their budgets," Bomer said.

The rule means that for a \$600, six-month policy, the maximum initial down payment would drop to \$200 from \$240.

"We're thinking for some families this has been a major hurdle and we're making it easier for them," said David Durden, deputy insurance director for property and casualty liens. The insurance

department could not provide figures showing how many people chose monthly payments over single payment options.

Consumer advocates and insurance company representatives criticized the rule as ineffective because it could allow for abuse by drivers who buy short-term policies with no intention of paying the balance.

Under the rule that takes effect Jan. 1, insurers may require down payments of up to 16.67 percent of the annual premium for a 12-month policy, and 33.33 percent for a six-month policy. They currently can set the down payments at up to 40 percent on a six-month policy and 25 percent on 12-month policies.

The new rule also requires insurers to spread balances over at least four months for six-month plans and 10 months for yearlong policies. That does not include an additional payment in the last month for

renewal. Balances currently can be collected in three months for six-month policies and eight months for 12-month policies.

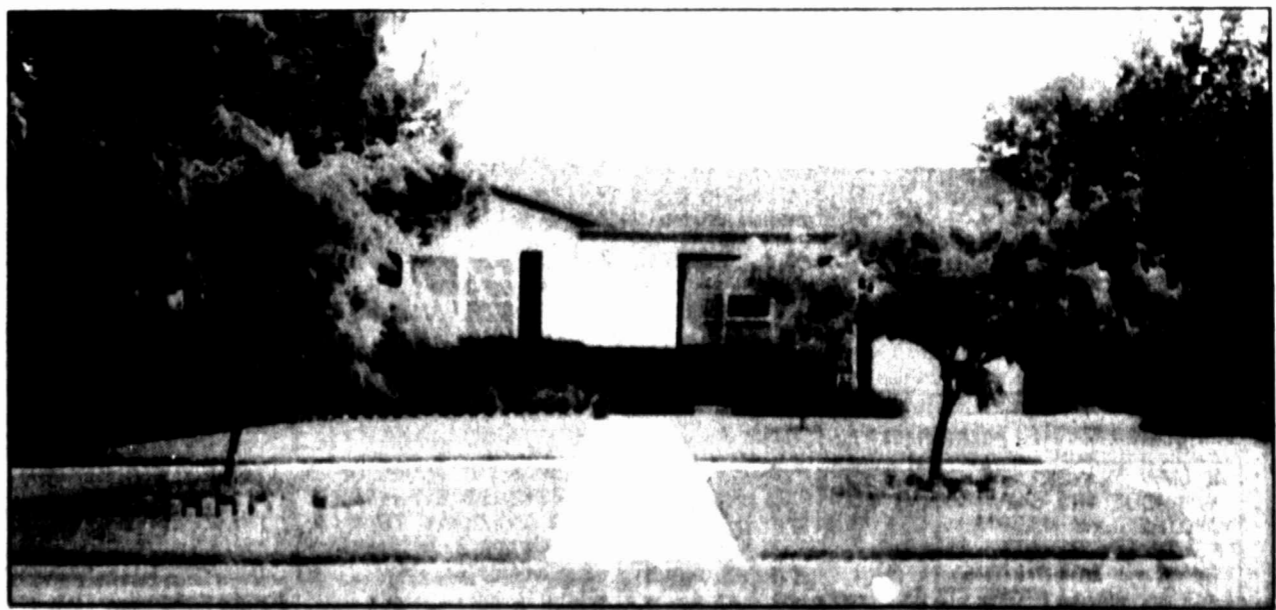
Insurance companies will not have to adjust their billing if their installment plans were a better deal than the department's new plan.

D.J. Powers, head of The Center for Economic Justice, said the rule still ignores people who are denied access to insurance. The center has accused major insurance companies of refusing to offer insurance in certain parts of the state, a practice called "redlining."

"Redlining should be the highest priority for the insurance commission," said Powers. "While in theory (the rule) is a good thing, it is not even a Band-Aid for consumers who can't get insurance."

Durden said the new rule was not meant to cure the problem of accessibility to insurance.

COMMUNITY PRIDE



Big Spring residents Richard and Quita Shryack were among several local residents and businesses to receive a Yellow Rose Certificate for the pride they display in maintaining their property. The Shryacks reside here in City District 2 at 804 E. 13th, and were also joined as winners by Leroy and Johnnie Perry at 811 N. Gregg, District 1; Samuel R. Myers at 2409 Choyenne, District 3; Beth Ann's (Rhonda Dohoyos) at 2112 Scurry, District 4; Frank and Nikki Broyles at 103 Jefferson, District 6; and First Christian Church. The awards, to be a regular feature at each city council meeting, were presented by Big Spring Code Patrol Coordinator Pat Simmons along with Mayor Tim Blackshear and City Manager Gary Fuqua at last Tuesday's council meeting.

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PUBLIC RECORDS

Judicial of the Peace China Long... Public Records section detailing court proceedings and judgments.

Marriage Licenses: Shane Michael Taylor, 24, and Melissa Brooke Pickett, 19... Public Records section detailing marriage licenses and court judgments.

Deed Records: Warranty Deeds: Warrantee: Deeds with Vendor's Lien... Public Records section detailing deed records and warranty deeds.

Grantor: Colleen Henry... Grantor: Charles Byars... Public Records section detailing various grantor and grantee information.

property: All of lot 12, blk. 38, Cole & Strayhorn Addition... Mrs. Baird's to honor decision

grantor: G.N. Canaday... Mrs. Baird's to honor decision

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Mrs. Baird's to honor decision

FORT WORTH (AP) — Mrs Baird's Bakeries will drop appeals of its price-fixing conviction and cooperate with further federal investigations...

In an agreement negotiated with federal prosecutors, the Fort Worth-based bakery agreed to pay the \$10 million fine and complete 2,500 hours of community service...

However, the agreement closes the book on any further prosecution of Mrs Baird as part of a major probe of anti-competitive practices in the baking industry...

The company also has agreed to pay \$18 million to customers who have sued the company after the Justice Department investigation became public...

This voluntary agreement reflects management's commitment to fair competition, said Larry G. Wheeler, Mrs. Baird's president and chief executive...

Wheeler, the family-owned company's first chief executive from outside the Baird clan, was hired during the federal probe.

Friends alike on and off television talk show circuit

By GAIL PENNINGTON St. Louis Post-Dispatch

She talks like Oprah, she acts like Oprah, she even looks a little like Oprah. Oprah, says Gayle King, stole her act. And she says it with a big laugh that sounds a lot like Oprah's...

Now King, an Emmy-winning newscaster in Hartford, Conn., has a talk show of her own, and some people meeting her for the first time have been taken aback by the resemblance to her famous pal.

"They assume that the way I talk and act, I'm copying her," King said during a recent visit to St. Louis. "They don't realize that we've known each other since we were 21 and 22, and we got to be like this together..."

But King has frankly taken some of Winfrey's best stuff for "The Gayle King Show," which will air on weekdays beginning the week of Sept. 8 (check local listings).

The half-hour show, created to air as a package with the new daily "Martha Stewart Living," is described as a "talk-magazine" that will explore topics from many angles.

Minus scandalous subjects and tearful confessions, "The Gayle King Show" says it will aim for topics that will inform and help viewers: King hopes her audience will include "normal people who are living their lives in very normal ways," but who want to find a way to make those lives better, she says.

King isn't promising to break new ground. "I certainly won't say we'll show you something you've never seen before, because I honestly believe everything's been done. The challenge is to find a new angle, so we can tell you things you didn't know even if you thought you did."

Admittedly, that's not too far from what Winfrey does on her top-rated show. "Copy the best," King says. "I believe that. And Oprah's the best, so if people compare me to her, I'm flattered."

If anyone accuses her of riding Winfrey's coattails, King says she doesn't mind. "That would bother me if it were true, or if I didn't think I were qualified. But I've been a journalist since 1979, and I have four Emmys for my work. So I know why I got this show."

Still, King "doesn't poo-poo the Oprah connection. If that makes people notice me and check the show out, great."

King, who was born in Chevy Chase, Md., and graduated from the University of Maryland with a degree in psychology, worked at WDAF in Kansas City before moving to WFSB in Hartford, Conn., in 1981. She's been there ever since, except for an unwelcome hiatus in 1991 when she moved to NBC to serve as host of the daytime show "Cover to Cover."

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"It was canceled in 13 weeks, and I was out of work eight months after that," King recalls. "I was miserable; the highlight of my day was going to the grocery store. I salute those women who choose to stay home; my mom did. But that's not me."

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Texans could reap fruits of \$1 billion overcharge

AUSTIN (AP) — Texans were overcharged \$1 billion in 1996 by insurers who failed to pass on savings from reforms in the civil justice system, according to a consumer advocacy group.

D.J. Powers of the Center for Economic Justice made the accusation against the insurance industry at a public hearing Tuesday by Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer.

Bomer, who is considering a proposed \$555 million insurance rollback that would go into effect for 1998, rejected Powers' claims.

The rollbacks are meant to reflect cost savings from laws passed in 1995 that capped civil damages and were intended to limit frivolous lawsuits in Texas.

"So-called tort reform isn't providing savings for Texans, it's providing a \$1 billion windfall profit for insurers," said Powers, a former general counsel of the Department of Insurance who says his non-profit group represents the interests of low-income consumers.

"If the rates were reduced as they should have been, consumers would have paid \$1 billion less than they did. That averages out to \$100 per car overcharge in 1996 alone. That overcharge will be even bigger in 1997."

"Citizens have lost their rights without receiving anything in return," he said. Powers said the next rollback should be \$1.5 billion for automobile liability insurance coverage alone, and the total rollback for all types of coverage more than \$2 billion.

Bomer took the testimony under advisement and will announce later whether he will adopt the Insurance Department's recommendation of \$555 million in rollbacks or set his own amount. He disagreed with Powers' figures. "That's not true," Bomer said. "We've looked at the fil-

ings. We know from those filings that they put the tort reform savings down there. It's in black and white. We look at it, and if it's not there, we call their hand on it."

Powers said some insurance companies simply ignored rate rollbacks meant to reflect roughly \$800 million in tort reform savings over the past two years. He said others reduced rates in automobile liability insurance — the most commonly written policy — but then increased rates for automobile property damage coverage.

Insurance industry spokesman Rick Gentry, of the Texas Insurance Organization, said the market is too competitive for insurers to try to shift costs by raising other premiums.

"There's more than 300 insurance companies in Texas, and they are all fighting it out to offer the best deal," he said.

According to a study commissioned by the Insurance Department, the savings in private passenger automobile rates for 1998 would be \$213 million.

Rod Bordelon of the Office of Public Insurance Counsel said that wasn't enough and recommended rolling back those rates by more than \$350 million, bringing the total rollback to more than \$700 million.

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SOCIAL WORKER Stanton Nursing and Rehabilitation is accepting resumes for a full or part-time LSW. LTC experience is preferred. Please send your resume or apply in person to: Ron Alderton, Stanton Nursing and Rehabilitation, PO Box 400, Stanton, TX 79782. EOE/AA, m/f/d/v. -#8915

BIDDING PROCESS OPEN - Greater Opportunities Of The Permian Basin, Inc. Project Head Start is seeking bids for providers of food products and other commodities. We maintain centers in Odessa and Big Spring and our purchases exceed \$100,000.00 per fiscal year. (Oct. 1997-Sept. 1998) We are encouraging bids from business which are members of HUB (Historically Underutilized Business). Forms for the bids may be obtained from Mr. William Griffith at G.O., INC. Head Start Administration office in Odessa at 418 North Grant or you may contact Mr. Griffith at (915)337-1352 ext. 304 and we can Fax the form to you. All bids must be in the office September 15th, 1997, by 5:00 P.M. -#8910

The City of Big Spring Will Be Testing For The Position Of Certified Police Officer At 8:30 A.M. On Wednesday, September 17 & 18, 1997 In The Dora Roberts Community Center. Applications Will Be Accepted Through 5:00 P. M. Friday, September 12, 1997. For Detailed Qualifications And Further Information Contact City Hall Personnel, 310 Nolan, Big Spring, TX 79720 or Call 264-2346. The City Of Big Spring Is An Equal Opportunity Employer. -#8892

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The Howard County library will be taking applications for part-time circulation clerk beginning Tuesday, September 2, 1997. Applications must be turned into the Library by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, September 4, 1997. The successful applicant must have a High School or equivalent diploma, must be dependable, needs a working knowledge of computers, experience with serving the public, the ability to file accurately, and answer the telephone in a professional manner. #8964

Part-time Morning Cook Will train. Apply in person 1608 E 4th. #7164

Herald Classifieds works. Call us at 263-7331.

CHURCH AND CLUB NEWS DEADLINES

Church and club news items are due at the Herald office by noon Wednesday for Friday publication.

Items should be dropped off to the office, 710 Scurry, mailed to P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79721-1431; or faxed to 264-7205.

For more information call 263-7331, ext. 235.

Pictures of one person who may be speaking at a club or church can also be submitted.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications for Bookkeeper/Secretary, with computer experience, will be accepted by the Board of Directors of the Citizens Center. You may contact Bobbie Leonard at (915) 267-1623.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sale to satisfy Landlord lien, of tools, equipment & misc. household items, of tenant Alicia A. Barrazo now stored at AAA Mini Storage, 3301 E. FM 700 Big Spring, TX. Auction will be held at 7:00 PM Sept. 18, 1997. Sell to highest bidder. Location 2000 S.W. 4th St., Big Spring, TX. 79720. 1542 August 31, 1997 & September 7, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

On Tuesday, August 26, 1997, the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, passed and approved an ordinance described as follows: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE 7, BY ADDING SECTION 6-14b; BY PROVIDING RULES FOR EMBROIDERING OF GOLF CARTS; SHEDS; BY PROVIDING FOR RULES AND FEES REGARDING USE OF GOLF CARTS; BY PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; BY PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE WAS DISCUSSED WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW. 1541 August 31, 1997 & September 1, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

SALE OF VEHICLE The Howard County Appraisal District, 315 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas will accept bid proposals for the sale of one (1) 1991 Chevrolet Cavalier, 4 door automobile. Bids will be accepted until Friday, October 3, 1997. Bids will be opened at the Howard County Appraisal District Board of Directors regular meeting on Wednesday, October 8, 1997. The vehicle will be sold "as is", without any warranty. The vehicle can be seen at 315 Main Street weekdays between 8:00 A.M. and 12:00 P.M. or 1:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M.

If you desire to bid on this vehicle, please send a sealed bid with the enclosed "BID FORM FOR THE PURCHASE OF VEHICLE". Any bid received without being clearly marked will be rejected. Address your bid to: Mr. Tom, Chief Appraiser, Howard County Appraisal District, PO Drawer 1151, Big Spring, Texas 79721-1151 or bring it by 315 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas.

THE HOWARD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY BID 1532 August 24 & 31 & September 14 & 21, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

1. Sealed Proposals submitted to the Dennis F. Evans, President, Board of Trustees, Glasscock Independent School District, Garden City, Texas shall be received in the Board Room until 3:00 p.m. Monday, September 15, 1997, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud for the furnishing of all labor, materials, equipment and performing all work required for the construction of Tennis Courts for Glasscock Independent School District, Garden City, Texas, accordance with plans, specifications and contract documents as prepared by Larry C. Donham, Inc., Architects, Andrews, Texas. 2. Sealed proposals will also be received at the same time and place for Gymnasium Seating. Lump sum proposals will be received for the removal of existing gym chairs and providing and installing new chairs in accordance with the drawing and specifications prepared by Larry C. Donham, Inc., Architects, Andrews, Texas. Bidders shall submit a physical sample of the proposed chair being bid along with their proposal.

3. Lump sum Proposals will be received for the General Construction, which will include the demolition, site preparation and the Electrical work on the above project as set out in the Bid Proposal. Each prime bidder submitting a bid shall submit a complete bid package, including the following: A) Bid Proposal B) Bid Security C) Contractor's Qualification Statement

5. The Bid Security shall be a Cashier's Check, Certified Check, or acceptable Bidder's Bond, payable to the Glasscock Independent School District, in the amount of not less than 5% of the largest possible total for the bid submitted must accompany each bid. 6. The Contractor's Qualification Statement, AIA Document A305-1986, shall be properly completed and inserted in a separate sealed envelope and enclosed with the Proposal and Bid Security in the bid package. 7. Each Bidder intending to submit a prime bid shall notify the Architect of his intentions, the Architect to the Glasscock Independent School District, Garden City, Texas, and furnish a Payment and Performance Bond in the amount of not less than 100% of the contract price, conditioned upon the performance of the contract. 8. The Bid Bond, Payment and Performance Bonds shall be written by a Surety Company listed by the United States Department of the Treasury (Federal Register Circular 570) as an acceptable surety on Federal Bonds and shall hold a B+ or better rating by A.M. Best Co., Chicago, N.J. 9. Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Architect, Larry C. Donham, Inc., Architects, 405 S.W. 1st St., Andrews, Texas, 79714. 915-523-3450. In accordance with the stipulations set forth under Deposits and Refunds, found in the specifications. 11. Attention is called to the fact that the contractor must comply with Federal, State and Local labor laws, including Article 5150a, Vernon's Annotated Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, which requires that the contractor pay not less than the following prevailing wage rates, which have been established by the Owner as follows:

Table with 2 columns: CRAFT and HELPER. Rows include Bricklayer, Bricklayer, Carpenter, Concrete Finisher, Crane Operator, Electrician, Iron Worker, Laborer, General Painter, Pipelayer, Welder. Rates range from \$10.50 to \$11.00.

PAVING UTILITIES & ENGINEERING CONSTRUCTION CLASSIFICATION

Table with 2 columns: CRAFT and HELPER. Rows include Asphalt Paving Machine, Bulldozer, Concrete Paving Machine, Front End Loader, Heavy Equipment Operator, Light Equipment Operator, Motor Grade Operator, Roller, Scraper, Tractor, Truck Driver-Light, Truck Driver-Heavy. Rates range from \$8.50 to \$11.00.

OVERTIME AND HOLIDAY RATES

Overtime Rate (excess forty hours per week) is 1-1/2 times base rate. Weekend/Holiday Rate is 1-1/2 times base rate. The majority of the trades involved in this contract are not included in the list adopted by the Board Resolution on this list. The full list adopted by Board Resolution is on file at the Administration Building and is available for public viewing. 12. Attention is called to the fact that the Owner is exempt from the payment of the State Sales Tax normally levied against material cost. In order to take advantage of this exemption, material and labor costs must be identified by the successful bidder. In developing this division of labor and material costs, the bidder is cautioned to include all costs and allowances not representing direct material cost with labor. The contract sum as identified by the Base Bid, shall not include any allowance for the payment of State Sales Tax on the material required to complete the work. The successful bidder, upon award of the contract, will be furnished with a permit number which will enable him to purchase the required material without payment of such taxes. 13. The bidder acknowledges the right of the Owner to reject any or all bids and to waive any information or irregularities in the bids received. In addition, the bidder recognizes the right of the Owner to reject a bid if the bidder failed to furnish any required bid security or submit the State required prevailing wage documents, if the bid is in any way incomplete. 1533 August 24 & 31, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, sealed bids will be received until 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 9, 1997, for the purchase of a Judicial Service for the Police Department.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids are opened and read aloud in the Big Spring City Council Chambers, City Hall, 207 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with sealed bids to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing and Material Control Manager, 1300 Agency Drive East, Bldg. #18, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s). The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities. 1530 August 24 & 31, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

Advertisement for Bids The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting bids for the following:

ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES

Specifications may be obtained from Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, 915-264-5187. Bids will be accepted through 3:30 p.m. on September 17, 1997 at which time they will be opened in the Administrative Annex and read aloud. The bids will then be labeled and final determination of bid award will be made at a future board meeting.

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HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SUNDAY, AUG. 31:

This year you will emphasize your manner of expression. Reactions from others to your words could vary considerably. Be more in touch with feelings and desires. The clearer you are, the better another responds. Education, short trips and improved relations with siblings and neighbors are highlighted. If you are single, romance becomes more active in 1998. You could begin a close-to-ideal relationship. If attached, your verbal skills allow more effective communication and increased intimacy. Your partner wants to be closer; love seems more abundant. LEO easily tunes in to you.

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)

Take action, and don't stand on ceremony! A lot happens quickly, if that is what you want. Get on the right foot: Reorganize, clean out files and get ready for the new season. Make time for fall shopping. Tonight: Have a good time, no matter what you do!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Home is your castle, and you are content to have the action take place there. Invite others over. A loved one expresses his needs. Make time for romance and doting on another. Let love flourish. Tonight: Fire up the barbecue.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Reach out for another. Share your strong feelings. A discussion about what you want is key. Catch up on news, visit with friends and mingle. A family member needs to talk through a domestic adjustment. Make calls, to check in. Tonight: The party goes on.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You are into indulging, even going overboard. Be realistic about your limits. A discussion is productive. Get together with others, laugh and enjoy them. You discover a new friendship; let go and have fun. A good time is had by all. Tonight: Let your hair down.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You have a good time, no matter which direction you turn. Love happens, if you relax. Discuss what has been worrying you. Fret less about balancing your budget. You can make another feel cared about. Just let it all happen. Tonight: You are the lead actor!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

DEAR ABBY: I read with great interest your answer to "Concerned in Florida," who was worried that her husband might rekindle a romance with his former high school flame (and later his fiancée).



Abigail Van Buren Columnist

"Concerned" has had 40 years of a good marriage and so has the old flame. Abby, your conclusion certainly sounds reasonable, but it is incorrect. I have spent the last four years researching more than 1,000 couples worldwide who have reunited after many years apart. I have learned that these reunions are quite common, and the flame can reignite at any point. One couple had been separated for 63 years!

As I reported in my book, "Lost and Found Lovers: Facts and Fantasies of Rekindled Romances," overall, 72 percent of these renewed loves stayed together, and the percentage was even higher if they had been first loves. These are very stable, joyous and sexually passionate relationships the second time around. However, you should inform your readers that over 30 percent of these couples began their reunions while one (or both) of them was married to someone else! These lovers often tell me — sometimes between sobs — that they are in good marriages and love their spouses; they NEVER

There seems to be so much to think about and evaluate. Sharing your ideas and beliefs is important, but so is being vulnerable and discussing your deeper feelings. A partner might be closing off defensively. Encourage feedback from others. Tonight: Do some needed cleaning.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Emphasize friendship. Catch up on summer news, and share more of what is important in your life. Examine your long-term goals with a friend who always gives you powerful feedback. Get past superficial comments, and look within. Tonight: It's a daylong party!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You want to play a larger role in what is going on. Throw a spontaneous party, bring others together and make the most of the moment. Others adore your leadership ideas. Friendship plays a part in your day and contributes to your happiness. Tonight: Listen to a younger family member.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You discover chatting, bringing others together and celebrating makes this a special day. Travel is more than possible when you hook up with others. You see life with renewed vigor and enthusiasm. Make calls, and send merry wishes to others. Tonight: Be different.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

A partner or friend wants you, and no one else! That's OK; this relationship is sizzling now. Touch base with a loved one who is at a distance. News could be exciting and important. Consider a minitrip, even if summer is nearly over. Tonight: You are hot and happy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Let others express their point of view. Caring surrounds you. Talking with a loved one draws you much closer. Listen to what another is saying. You don't have to agree, but you do need to understand where he is coming from. Tonight: Be with good friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You are busy entertaining others and enjoying making their holiday special. But a partner wants you and needs to talk. You are pleased by what he shares. Love seems to happen, wherever you are. Another wants to pitch in and help. Tonight: Bring others together.

Fanning old flame can create fire that burns

intended to find themselves in affairs. The lost lovers met again innocently, often with their spouses present, and none was prepared for the "old feelings" to return full force. They feel torn between their marriages and their lost-and-found lovers — but not for long. Rekindled romances are emotional steamrollers; they choose the old flame in most cases, leaving their bewildered, devastated spouses behind.

My research project is the only study of lost-and-found lovers ever conducted. For the first time, there are norms for these renewed romances.

My advice, based on my years of study, is to encourage single, divorced or widowed individuals to look for sweethearts or old friends from their past, but to strongly discourage married people from doing so.

Abby, please warn your readers that there is NOTHING safe about meeting with a former sweetheart, no matter how innocent the intentions, or how many years have passed, or how strong the marriage seems to be.

If "Concerned in Florida" invites her husband's old flame to his surprise birthday party, she might get badly burned. — NANCY KALISH, PH.D., PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY, CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO, CALIF.

DEAR DR. KALISH: Thank you for informing me of what has to have been a fascinating study, and for wanting to warn my readers. In the light of your research, I would like to formally retract my advice to "Concerned in Florida." In the future I will warn my married readers that old flames are potentially combustible: They can ignite without warning, and leave a marriage in ashes.

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