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City HUD program getting back on track, director says

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

One of the things Housing Director Mark Gentry said the city's HUD program needed when he was hired last spring was a board of commissioners. The Big Spring City Council voted recently to have Mayor Tim Blackshear appoint a board to serve in this capacity. The council had the option of serving in this capacity itself, but because of the time and commitment required of such a

board, opted to have an outside board appointed. Gentry said a board of commissioners is the last item on a list of 14 items found in an audit of the city's housing program that needs to be addressed. Since taking over the housing program, Gentry has made it a point that his office not dwell on the problems the program has had in the past but focus on keeping the federally funded program up to standard. Gentry was ahead of auditors last spring and identified sever-

al areas himself that he wanted to change or improve, which earned a vote of confidence from auditors. Since taking over as director, Gentry has run the program by the book — the Code of Federal Regulations, which is the ruling arm of HUD. As for the board of commissioners, Gentry will still answer to City Manager Gary Fuqua and Assistant City Manager Emma Bogard, but housing matters requiring action pertaining to the city would go

before the board of commissioners. Where funding is concerned, Gentry also has to answer to HUD's Southwest Regional Office in Fort Worth. Gentry said forming a board of commissioners is a HUD mandate as is forming a Family Self-Sufficiency Program. Also, one of the goals Gentry set as he took over the program was to hire a housing inspector. Rick Purser has been in that capacity since late spring and already several improvements

have been made in the conditions of several units in Big Spring, which were considered substandard. Having a housing inspector as part of the program is also something that's been mandated for the purpose of performing periodic inspections of houses in the program. Purser also conducts inspections before a tenant can move out of a house or apartment. The essential duties of the housing inspector include:

- Inspection of residential apartments and scattered site housing to ensure strict compliance with regulations.
- Preparation of plans, specifications, reports, construction bids and management of ongoing rehabilitation activities to ensure strict compliance with applicable codes and regulations.
- Conducting quality control, quarterly, special, pre move-out, recertification and annual inspections of housing as

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A Fall Full of Food and Fun

Autumn means harvest time, but it also means good times for festival-goers



St. Lawrence shindig set for Oct. 5

The granddaddy of the local seasonal festivals, the St. Lawrence Fall Festival, will be Oct. 5. The event gets under way with a mass at 9:30 a.m. and booths open at 10:30 a.m. Visitors to St. Lawrence Parish Hall, 10 miles south of Garden City on Highway 33 and five miles west on Highway 2401, can take in the scent of sausage and barbecue grilling as soon as they leave the car. "The sausage is a big part of the tradition," said Martha Schwartz, publicity chairman

for the event. "They don't like to tell their (cooking) secret." Dedication may be a factor. Schwartz said the men of the parish start their preparations at about 4 a.m. the Saturday before the festival — and work almost continuously until the meal is served. Made famous for that homemade German sausage, the St. Lawrence festival also offers game booths, raffles, an auction and musical performances. "It's a wild week for us, get-

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It's our way of saying so long to summer — our celebration (or at least our hope) for a break from the oppressive heat. The fall festival is a respite from the sudden busy-ness that fall brings. And it comes in as many forms as we can dream up. At our fall festival, or "harvest festival," we play games for prizes. We eat too much. We raise money for charities and churches. We buy raffle tickets for a trips to Las Vegas or a Dallas Cowboys keep-sake.

Food is sometimes more than a side benefit. At St. Lawrence Fall Festival, set for Oct. 5, the familiar strings of sausage give the festival its true flavor. At our church festivals, we discover the hidden talents for cooking of our friends and neighbors. At school festivals, kids may wear costumes, play games and win prizes, seeing their school a little differently without all those books around. Immaculate Heart of Please see FALL, page 3A



WEATHER

Today:	Mon:	Tues:	Wed:

Today, mostly sunny. Highs in the 80s. Tonight, fair. Lows in the mid 50s. Monday, mostly sunny. Highs in the mid 80s. Monday night, fair. Lows 50-55. Extended forecast, Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 80s. Wednesday, fair. Lows in the lower to mid 50s. Highs in the mid 80s.

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Commissioners to keep fees at current levels

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Earlier this week Howard County Commissioners voted to leave fees charged by the Sheriff's office and constables at their current level.

According to Subchapter F of the Local Government Code, the county commissioners' court may set reasonable fees for services provided by the sheriff and constables, but may not set fees higher than necessary to pay the expenses of providing

the services.

Questions about the fees were raised because Sheriff Bill Jennings pointed out that his office charges \$50 for county and district court citations serviced and \$40 for Justice of the Peace citations serviced, but it requires the exact same manpower and time to do both.

Jennings told commissioners he did not care if the court raised or lowered either fee, but he thought the fees should be uniform.

"I don't mind if fees are changed either way, but let's

make them the same," Jennings said.

Precinct 1, Place 1 Justice of the Peace China Long told commissioners some fees are different according to the characteristics of a particular case or suit, referring to small claims cases.

County Clerk Margaret Ray told commissioners that changing fees would require her office to again send out notices of fees being changed.

According to Long, raising fees will effect landlords who may not be able to get rid of

deadbeat tenants.

"The very idea of small claims court is to allow people not to have to hire a lawyer," Long said. "We average about 30 to 50 small claims issues a month."

"The more we raise these fees, the more a fellow won't be able to pay his bills," Commissioner Sonny Choate said. "I agree with China, let's keep the fees down. If a person has a fellow who owes him \$75, but has to pay \$75 to come down here and try to collect it, most people are

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OBITUARIES

Billie Barnes

Mrs. Billie J. Barnes, 69, of West Union, W. Va., died Wednesday, Sept. 24, 1997, at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Butler, Pa. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 29, 1997 in the Big Spring Veterans Administration Medical Center Chapel, with Chaplain Dean Thomas officiating.

She was born May 4, 1938 in Coahoma, the daughter of Henry B. and Mattie Mays Neill. She was a graduate of Coahoma High School, a veteran of the U.S. Air Force and a Baptist.

Survivors include four sons: Carl Barnes, Big Spring; Stanley Barnes, Tampa, Fla.; Donald Barnes, Elizabethtown, Pa.; and Ronald Barnes, Howard, Pa.; four sisters: Gail Hale, Big Spring; Melba Willis and Mollie Padgett, both of West Union, W. Va.; and Margerite Dugan, St. Louis, Mo.; two brothers: Thomas Neill, Eloy, Ariz.; and Clarence Neill, Mesa Verde, Ariz.; and six grandchildren.

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required. According to Gentry, a housing inspector would also have several other duties, but the focus is to see that residents in the program have decent, safe and sanitary housing.

Because Blackshear was out of town when the council discussed forming a board of commissioners, no indication was given as to how long the process would take to get a board in place or how many members the board would have.

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going to let it drop." "I make the motion to leave the fees the way they are because citizens should have access to the small claims law," Choate added.

Choate's motion was seconded by Commissioner Emma Brown and the court voted 5-0 to leave the fee structure as it is.

Other fees charged to the county and district court by the Sheriff's office and constables include those for: citation by publication, \$50; citation by posting, \$20; all writs and order of sale, \$60; restraining order, \$50; notice of hearing, \$40; show cause, \$40; subpoena, \$50; juvenile subpoena, \$50; summons, \$50; precept to serve, \$50; delinquent tax suit, \$50; trustee sale, \$20; and injunction, \$50.

Fees charged to Justice of the Peace courts also include: distress warrant, \$50; forcible, \$50; injunction, \$50; civil subpoena, \$50; order of sale, \$50; and all writs, \$50.

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Rescuers probe wreck for clues

JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP) — Rescue workers coughing on forest fire smoke used vines to clamber up a jungle slope on the island of Sumatra on Saturday, picking through trees and probing mud for the remains of 234 people killed in Indonesia's worst air crash.

After more than 24 hours of searching the smoldering, ash-covered ground — their hands wrapped in cloth as protection from burns — rescuers had not found the flight data and cockpit voice recorders that could indicate whether the haze from hundreds of fires contributed to the disaster.

The Garuda Airlines A300B4 Airbus crashed Friday afternoon while attempting to land at the Sumatra island city of Medan, an area clouded with smoke from smoldering forest fires. The blazes were set weeks ago by plantations and timber companies to clear land.

Ash-filled smog from the fires has spread to Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei, Thailand and the Philippines, disrupting air traffic, closing schools and causing illnesses.

A drought in the region blamed on the El Nino weather system has delayed the monsoon rains that usually blow in to put out the seasonal forest fires each year.

In Malaysia, authorities were investigating whether haze was a factor in a collision between two ships Friday night in the Strait of Malacca between Sumatra and Malaysia. Officials said 29 crew members of the Indian-registered freighter Vikraman were feared dead.

On Sumatra on Saturday, workers scrambled up trees and sifted through black ash in search of remains from the plane crash. Some body parts were dug from the mud.

After running out of plastic bags, they resorted to banana leaves, pieces of carpet, old clothing and bamboo vines to wrap body parts. Army trucks brought the remains to two hospital morgues in Medan, 20 miles east of the crash site and 870 miles northwest of Jakarta.

Authorities said all 234 aboard the airplane were killed. Most of the bodies — burned, torn and scattered by the force of the crash and explosion — were unrecognizable. News reports said 200 bodies had been recovered but only 11 identified as of Saturday. Two of the passengers were American.

President Suharto ordered that unidentified bodies be buried in a mass grave at an air force cemetery in Medan on Monday.

A special team will search for the flight data and cockpit voice recorders once the recovery of bodies is completed. Transportation Minister Haryanto Danurto said. The "black boxes" will be key in figuring out why the plane crashed while making an instrument landing approach.

It was unclear what role visibility played in the crash. An airport official told The Associated Press that Medan is equipped with a glide-slope indicator that guides an incoming plane down to the runway at a proper angle, rather than an older type of beacon that simply helps a pilot determine where the airport is.

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the plane had been on instrument approach for the airport's main runway. In such a situation, pilots rely more on instruments to find the runway than

on what they can see out the window, though many pilots take over the landing manually in the last moments before touchdown.

Garuda's director of operations, Darmadi, was quoted by the Jakarta Post as saying visibility at Medan had been about 2,000 feet at the time of the accident, "still quite sufficient" for landing.

The official Antara news agency reported that radar contact was lost eight minutes after the pilot had radioed for guidance for his final approach.

SPRINGBOARD

IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8:30 A.M. AND 2 P.M. All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

TODAY
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has service at 2 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) 5:15 p.m. weigh in and 6:15 p.m. meeting, Best Home Health Care, 1710 E. Marcy Dr.

•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.
•Narcotics Anonymous, 6 to 7:30 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.

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.
•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.
•Narcotics Anonymous, 6 to 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

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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.

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.
•NA meeting, 6 to 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.
•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.

FRIDAY
•Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 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 to 11:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Gollad.
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

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

BRIEFS
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS 55 Alive/Mature Driving Course will be offered Oct. 7-8 at Big Spring Mall. The sessions are from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. with an hour for lunch, and participants must attend both sessions to receive a certificate.

Cost is \$8. Students do not have to be a member of AARP, but must be at least 50 years old to take the class. Call the mall office, 267-3853 during business hours, or call 267-2070, evenings, for more information.

THE COMMUNITY PEP RALLY for Big Spring High School homecoming will be 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 2 at the city compost site, McMahon/Wrinkle Airpark. The homecoming parade begins 4:30 p.m. Friday at 10th and Main, following a route through downtown Big Spring. Classes, clubs and many community groups will be participating.

Texas Lottery
Pick 3: 0,2,2
Cash 5: 8,21,22,31,38
Lotto: 22,29,30,42,48,50

REGIS SALONS WILL BE offering Clip for the Cure, Saturday, Oct. 4. Haircuts at \$10 each will benefit breast cancer research.

During the month of October, Regis will donate 10 percent of all product sales to foundations researching breast cancer as well.

BIG SPRING WOMAN'S CLUB annual coat drive is set for Oct. 1-31.

The group will collect coats, windbreakers, scarves and gloves to give to the needy of our community. Bins for donated items will be at Harris Lumber, 1515 E. FM-700, and Howard County Courthouse.

FLU SHOTS WILL BE available at Wal-Mart for \$10 on Oct. 20. The program, in cooperation with the Visiting Nurses Association of the Texas Gulf Coast, will use a new injection system without a needle.

The injections, using a Biojector 2000 system, will be available from 2 p.m.-6 p.m. Those with Medicare Part B can receive the shot free.

HANGAR '25 'OVER THE TOP' fundraiser is planned for 7:30-10:30 p.m. Oct. 24, featuring a concert by Angelo Jazz Band, and a silent auction. Call 264-2362 for more details.

BIG SPRING VA MEDICAL CENTER will be giving flu and pneumonia shots to all veterans eligible for VA care, volunteers and employees of the center, Sept. 23-25, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the center's main lobby.

FLU SHOTS WILL BE offered Oct. 9, 9 a.m.-noon at the YMCA, 801 Owens. Cost is \$8.50 per person. The shots will be administered by Nurses Unlimited Managed Care.

KINGDOM CLASS AT FIRST United Methodist Church will have a garage sale Oct. 4. Items are needed for the sale. Anyone wishing to donate can leave items at 1405 Wood.

TWENTIETH REUNION OF THE Permian Basin Petroleum Pioneers is planned for Friday, Oct. 31 at Holiday Inn Country Villa in Midland. The group is open to persons engaged in some phase of the oil and gas industry in the Permian Basin at least 30 years before Oct. 1, 1997.

More than 500 are expected to attend the event. For information about the group, call (915)683-4403.

POLICE

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

•MARCUS GRAY, 20, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces.
•RICKY RAMIREZ, 18, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

•ANGELICA ALMANZA, 23, was arrested on a charge of theft.
•MARY RODRIGUEZ, 31, was arrested on a charge of theft.
•ROBERT VALENCIA, 18, was arrested on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
•BENJAMIN HILARIO, 18, was arrested on a charge of theft.
•ALPHONSO REEVES, 25, was arrested on local warrants.
•STEVE RIOS, 30, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
•CHARLIE TURNER, 17, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces.
•NICHOLAS HISE, 17, was arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces.
•CATALINA FEEMSTER, 36, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
•JUAN RENTERIA, 48, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
•BOBBY FOSTER, 25, was arrested on a Lampasas County warrant.
•TONYA BRIDGE, 24, was arrested on local warrants.
•THEFT was reported on the 1200 block of E. 11th, the 1700 block of Marcy, the 200 block of W. Marcy, the 1100 block of Lamesa Highway and the 2300 block of Wasson.
•VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER was reported on the 1100 block of Mesa.
•ASSAULT was reported on the 1000 block of N. Main.
•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported on the 1600 block of W. 11th and the 1300 block of W. Fourth.
•BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported on the 400 block of Donley.
•ASSAULT FAMILY VIOLENCE was reported on the 500 block of Westover and the 280 block of N.W. Third.
•DEADLY CONDUCT was reported on the 800 block of W. Sixth.
•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported on the 900 block of N.W. Third.

SHERIFF

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

•JODI BENNETT, 19, 410 N.E. 10th, was arrested on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
•THOMAS KIRKPATRICK, 47, San Antonio, was arrested on a charge of revocation of probation for DWI.
•JOHN HENRY GRAYSON JR., 33, 404 1/2 Dallas, was arrested on a charge of parole violation.
•GILBERT SANDOVAL, 38, Dallas, was arrested on a charge of DWI - 2nd.
•JOE JUIS MENDOZA, no age given, Midland, was arrested on a charge of DWI and driving while license suspended.

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Quiet observance to mark Gold Star Mothers Day here

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

They have made terrific sacrifices for their country, so it only seems right that the country do something for them in return.

Today is American Gold Star Mothers Day, set aside for those women whose sons or daughters have died while serving in the U.S. armed forces.

Former President Franklin Roosevelt issued a proclamation in 1940 designating the last Sunday in September as American Gold Star Mothers Day.

The observance is traditionally marked by flying the U.S. flag and attending memorial and religious services.

It is a somber day, which only seems right, considering what Gold Star Mothers had to go through for the right to earn their titles.

Big Spring resident Kathryn Thomas, whose son Coy died during the Vietnam War, has served as chaplain of national

Gold Star Mothers organization, and currently holds that position with the local chapter.

She said that no formal activities are planned for today. Instead, local Gold Star Mothers will spend the day in quiet remembrance.

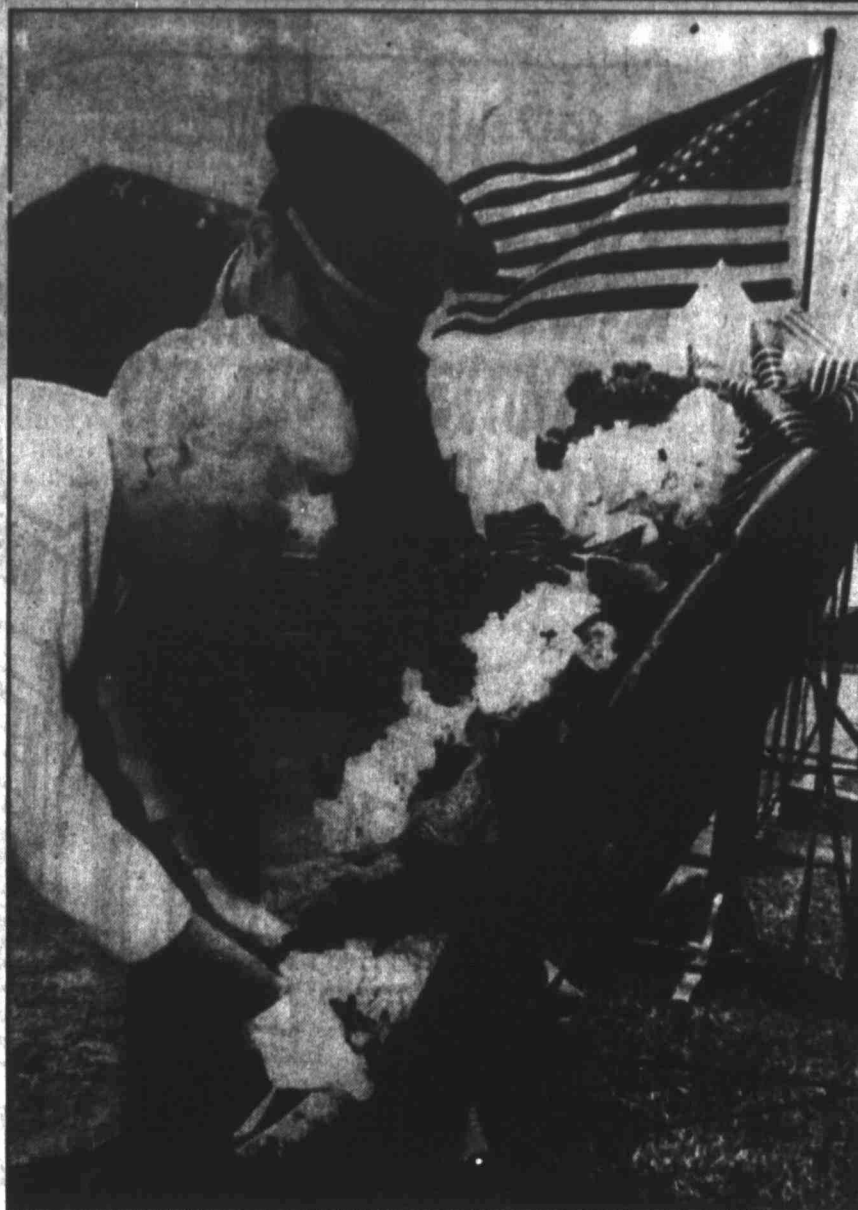
"There won't be any organized observance here," Thomas said. "In Washington, there will be ceremonies at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Vietnam Memorial."

The local chapter now has so few members that organized observances are impractical, she said.

"A long time ago, we had a pretty big chapter, and (members) would go to church together on that Sunday," she said. "Sunday, I'll just go to church ... and I'll have some friends go with me."

A lack of organized ceremony won't reduce the impact of the day, however.

"The memories ... are still very vivid," Thomas said. "This will be a day of reverence, a day of memories."



Kathryn Thomas, left, a Gold Star Mother, lays a wreath during a recent Memorial Day ceremony. Today is American Gold Star Mothers Day.

Southern Command ends presence in Panama

QUARRY HEIGHTS, Panama (AP) — Soldiers have lowered the stars and stripes for the last time at the U.S. Army's base of operations for Latin America, ending the historic presence of the Southern Command.

The command's heritage in Panama dates to 1903, when U.S. Marines arrived to protect the interoceanic railway that was later replaced by the Panama Canal.

The command oversaw U.S. military operations throughout Latin America during the Cold War, was a staging ground for the 1980 U.S. invasion that toppled Panamanian dictator

Manuel Noriega, and recently played a role in anti-narcotics efforts.

But its days here have been numbered since 1977, when the United States agreed to hand over the canal and remove all troops from the canal zone by the end of 1999.

"We are going to continue a vigorous relation with the region in times of peace, and combat the scourge of drug trafficking in the hemisphere," Gen. Charles Wilhelm, the command's chief, told several hundred soldiers at the small, brief ceremony Thursday also attended by U.S. diplomats.

A drizzling rain muddied the ground and a military band played as the flag slowly descended its staff at the base near Panama City. A soldier folded the banner and handed it to Wilhelm.

Wilhelm will take about 250 soldiers with him to Miami, where the command reopens today. Several other military bases with about 5,000 U.S. soldiers remain in Panama.

"The event is important because the only superpower is complying fully with what it agreed with Panama," said Carlos Lopez Guevara, one of the Panamanian negotiators of

the canal treaty signed by President Jimmy Carter and Panamanian strongman Omar Torrijos.

For some Panamanians, the move was a major step toward ridding the country of overweening U.S. influence.

"It is being freed from the tutelage of the United States; it gains in its self-determination as a nation," Guevara said.

The command's activities have occasionally drawn controversy. It administered the School of the Americas in Panama, where Latin American military officers received training.

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"Everything ready," Schwartz said. "Its planning and preparation really begin as soon as the last one is over. We're saying, 'How can we make it better next year?'"

At least 40 years old (one account has it starting in 1956), the festival took place in November for many years. Weather became such an unpredictable factor, Schwartz said, that it was moved to October to take advantage of the month's more pleasant days.

Proceeds benefit the St. Lawrence Catholic Church.

The noon meal will be served from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Also on the menu are all the trimmings, with pies and cakes to round out the meal. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for children under 12.

Sausage sandwiches will also be served between 5:30-6:30 p.m. Uncooked sausage is sold all day, beginning at 10 a.m.

Booths, which operate from

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Mary Church had its festival Friday and Saturday, with all the necessary elements — live music, special meals and games — plus the added benefit of some raffles and a rummage sale.

As Halloween arrives, some schools turn to fall festivals for a way to honor the holiday without ghosts and goblins. St. Mary's Episcopal School plans a fall festival Oct. 31 with students costumed as saints and Biblical characters.

Both Bauer and Marcy Elementary schools plan fall festivals on the evening of Oct. 18. There will be prizes for all those who attend to play games on the school grounds, helping raise money for PTA projects supporting the schools.

Canterbury Retirement Center recently celebrated the season, bringing in schoolkids

10:30 a.m.-4 p.m., include spinning wheel, face painting, football toss, grab bag and ring toss. The Kountry Kitchen will feature handcrafted items and homemade baked and canned goods.

Bingo continues from noon-4 p.m. Auction of several items, including bales of cotton, begins at 2 p.m.

Raffles are planned to include a handmade quilt by the St. Theresa Altar Society, \$500 cash or \$500 toward a Las Vegas vacation. The Men's Society will sell chances on a deer rifle. You don't need to be present to win any of the raffles.

A dance closes out the festival from 7-11 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person for those 12 years old and over. Entertainment will be provided by Johnny Blaine and the Spur Band.

After this year's festival, folks in St. Lawrence will have another celebration to plan. Their community celebrates its 50th anniversary in July 1998.

—DEBBIE L. JENSEN

to sing, walking to win cakes and even "fishing" for trinkets. St. Paul Lutheran youth had an event last Sunday, cooking up German sausage and games.

Big Spring State Park plans a variation on the theme, Harvest Fest, on Oct. 25. An added twist to this fall festival is the road race that has been added to the pumpkin hunt and hayride planned for that family-oriented day.

We don't have too many turning or falling leaves, but we do have a harvest season.

And since fall officially began last week, the weather has even showed signs of cooling.

Maybe you have already attended a fall festival.

You probably plan to; at this time of year, it's a must.

Without it, would it really be fall?

—DEBBIE L. JENSEN

We lost our precious wife and mother, Dean Anderson on Friday, Sept. 12, 1997. But she will forever be with us in spirit and in our hearts.

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Quote of the Day

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-William Faulkner

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OUR VIEWS

Gold Star Mothers gave us ultimate gift

On Sept. 14, 1940, President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the proclamation that designated the last Sunday each September as American Gold Star Mother's Day.

Today is the day we honor America's mothers who gave the ultimate gift to us in our country's fight for freedom — the life of a son or daughter in combat.

On this day, Gold Star Mother chapters throughout the United States hold memorial services, attend religious services and fly the flag as part of the day's observance.

On the east side of the Howard County Courthouse is the Howard County War Memorial. On it are the names of 149 Howard County men who gave their lives in service to our country in World War I, World War II, Korea and Vietnam. Each and every one of them left behind friends and family and, in some cases, a mother.

A mother's grief over the loss of a child is something only she knows. The solace she receives from the fact that child was given in service to our country cannot ever replace the loss ... but perhaps the appreciation of a grateful nation ... a free nation ... helps ease the memory.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

On behalf of the Howard County Fair Board of Directors we wish to thank everyone who attended the 25th Anniversary Fair. Without the continued support of Big Spring and the surrounding area we would not be able to have such an event. The support of the media, businesses and friends helped in making this a successful fair.

However, there is one issue that we must not overlook. That being the issue involving the carnival at the Fair this year. We have heard many comments about the carnival and we feel we must address those comments if possible. Nearly every aspect of the fair we as board members can control, but the carnival we cannot. We were made promises in early 1997 that the carnival would be up to our standards and as the year progressed we were lead to believe that we were not made aware of the problems until Labor Day and that was too late. We apologize for the carnival and we ask that you not judge the fair by the carnival only. As we begin our plans for 1998, you can rest assured that the carnival issue will be on the top of our list. Again, thank you for your support and we will see you again in 1998.

TAMMY WATT
Publicity Chairperson
Howard County Fair Assn.

TO THE EDITOR:

I am incensed by the TV program titled, "Nothing Sacred." The film showed Catholic priests and nuns in situations, and conversations, which made fun of both Catholic and Protestant beliefs.

I am thankful that "Focus on the Family" radio program gave three sound bites, and that was enough to make anyone sick! "Focus on the Family" is offering a sheet which gives the names and addresses of the companies which finance this program. The sheet is free. "Focus" also provides a cassette of the program for \$7. Their address is Colorado Springs, Colo., 80995-7451.

I urge everyone who believes in the principles of the Bible to write and get this material, and let those companies know that we do not go for such trash!

LOUIE PAULGER
Big Spring

TO THE EDITOR:

On Saturday, Sept. 13, we buried my wife's mother, and my friend, Magdalena Correa. All her grandchildren got together and got a large wreath for her, with the loving words, "Grandma." On Sunday, someone stole it! None of us could believe that anyone could be that low. My sons and daughter ask that the wreath please be returned, as it was given with all their love.

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Look around — find what's good about our town

EDITOR'S NOTE: Shortly after the conclusion of the 25th Howard County Fair, Nancy Koger came to us with the idea of doing a series that would make people stop and think about the good things in our community. Nancy thought it was a good idea and so did we. Your responses will be published in a special package in the Herald next month. Thank you for participating.

aren't the people of Big Spring proud of what they have? What's wrong with Big Spring?



Nancy Koger
Guest
Columnist

Several years ago I had a Belgian friend whose husband was transferred here to work at the refinery. She told me that when they got off the plane in Midland, she cried, thinking they were going to have to live in that desolate place. After they drove to Big Spring, she was delighted. She said when she saw the mesas, canyons, and water in the town, "Oh, this is lovely. I'm so happy we're going to be here in Big Spring! I thought we were going to have to live in Midland."

Perhaps one has to have lived somewhere else to appreciate what this place has to offer.

When someone comes to visit and we show him around, I once more realize that this is a good place to be. We take visitors to the spring in Comanche Trail Park and walk around the paths, sad that the rustic observation platform has been burned.

We go to the lake and take the hiking trail. A tour of Comanche Trail Park, with the pavilions and playgrounds, the swimming pool and the amphitheatre is a must. Scenic Mountain State Park makes a pleasant hour or half-day visit, with the nature trail and prairie dog town, topped off by the breathtaking vistas from the crest.

If the sunset is one of our more spectacular ones, a picnic supper at the top of the mountain is memorable, especially if it's concluded by a campfire.

With all these natural attributes and many man-made attractions, why aren't the people of Big Spring proud of our town? How does a town go about fostering an attitude of

healthy pride? How can the present day citizens start to change the feelings of those who live here? What's wrong with Big Spring?

I, for one, feel that there is much more right with Big Spring than wrong. Therefore, I challenge anyone who lives here or in the vicinity to write to the Herald and tell us something that's good or right in or with Big Spring.

Rather than a negative question, let's ask a positive one, "What's right with Big Spring?" and see how many positive answers we can come up with. Perhaps after we explore all the good we can unearth, we can begin to ask, "What is wrong in our community, and what can we all do to make it right?"

Send your responses to: "What's right?" Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79720. You may also fax your response to 264-7205 or e-mail your response to jkwalker@xroadstx.com.

How do we deal with post-Communist Russia?

By HOLGER JENSEN

Scripps Howard News Service

Fifty years ago, when George Kennan penned a document that was to become our Cold War philosophy for dealing with the Soviets: Russians had an identity — albeit one forced on them by their Communist masters — but felt insecure. This insecurity made Stalin risk-averse. So Kennan urged "patient but firm and vigilant containment" of Russia.

Containment worked in that it kept the United States and the Soviet Union away from the brink of nuclear war. But it didn't stop them fighting proxy wars — in Korea, Vietnam and Afghanistan — causing Kennan to conclude that his entire doctrine had been botched.

Today we have no doctrine for dealing with post-Communist Russia. U.S. policy is as adrift as the Russians themselves who, seduced by McDonalds, Levi Strauss and Wonderbras, wonder if they have any national identity left.

President Boris Yeltsin was so concerned about it last year he commissioned a government team headed by Kremlin advis-

er Georgy Satarov to travel the length and breadth of that vast country asking Russians what it meant to be Russian. Its findings were supposed to form the basis of a new "national idea" to replace the Communist ideology that Russia had abandoned.

Capitalism wouldn't do, since Yeltsin wanted it to be uniquely Russian. Also, economic reform had created a society in which 20 percent of the people earn 50 percent of the income while the remaining 80 percent have little purchasing power. The latter are no fans of capitalism.

Nationalism also wouldn't do, at least not the kind preached by xenophobic legislators and the Russian Orthodox Church, since it excludes a quarter of the population — especially those living in 20 ethnic republics — who are neither Slavic Russians nor Orthodox Christians.

Spanning 11 time zones, Russia has never been a nation-state in the European sense. It is a Eurasian land mass, multi-ethnic and multi-religious. Ethnic Russians accounted for only 50 percent of the population in the old Soviet empire and now that it has disintegrated, 25 percent of them live out-

side Russia, in other countries within the Commonwealth of Independent States.

These expatriates, who number 30 million, were privileged standard-bearers of both the czars and the Communists.

Now they are looked upon with hostility. The Baltic states are trying to push them out. In Central Asia they suffer open discrimination.

Back home the situation is reversed, with Muslims, Tatars and other minorities suffering discrimination at Russian hands.

As Sergei Rogov, head of the USA-Canada Institute, pointed out at a seminar conducted by the Foreign Policy Research Institute: "While Communism suppressed ethnicity, post-Communism raised it to the surface."

Hence, "nationalism would be disastrous for Russia, leading either to conflict with neighbors or civil war." The solution, he said, is for Russia to develop a "supra-national identity above and beyond ethnicity."

That's what Yeltsin seemed to be looking for: a Russian identity without ethnic, religious or economic divisions.

But, after a year's effort, the

results are not very encouraging. The first "working paper" produced by Satarov's team last month consisted solely of press clippings cataloging his failure to find a new "national idea."

Seeking to fill this vacuum, Yeltsin's opponents in the Russian legislature — nationalists and Communists backed by the powerful Orthodox Church — have passed a law promoting their own national ideas.

Innocuously titled the "Law on Freedom of Conscience and Religious Organizations," it enshrines the Russian Orthodox Church as the nation's preeminent religion and promises Soviet-style repression of all others.

Vice President Al Gore, currently in Moscow, says he has "tried very hard to explain to the Russians exactly why we Americans feel so strongly about this."

Not too hard, however, since he is also cutting deals for closer cooperation in trade, investment and space exploration.

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Pregnant person's guide to state fair

EDITORS' NOTE: Reporter Melissa Williams, whose baby is due in December, offers this guide to the State Fair.

DALLAS (AP) — Michelle Byrd of Beaumont wasn't letting a little thing like pregnancy — even eight months' worth — limit her refreshment options at the State Fair of Texas.

"No, that's the best thing about the fair: a corn dog and lemonade," she told me, pausing midway through the mustard-squiggled evidence as her husband, country singer Tracy Byrd, stood by watching their 3-year-old daughter. "Got to start 'em out right, at the fair."

When you think about it, the fair is perfect for the pregnant. Who else but us gets such a thrill from eating and walking around? And there are plenty of cool and shady places to rest and watch a show.

New this year is the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey's "Big Shoe Revue" clown show. Fair spokeswoman Nancy Wiley says if the weather is as good this year as it has been the past two years, overall attendance should again top 3.5 million — an average of nearly 150,000 people every day for 24 days.

Ambling — don't dare call it waddling — through the crowds are sure to be plenty of women expecting blessed events in the upcoming months. On the fair's gorgeous opening day Friday, their numbers included LaTricia Willis, who brought along her sister, Tiffany Hamilton, to stand in the coupon and food lines. After morning snacks of caramel apples and Caribbean beef patties, their lunchtime objective in the Food Pavilion was sausage-on-a-stick.

"I'm looking for stuff that I generally don't eat," admitted Ms. Willis, resting at a picnic bench in the Food Pavilion. "Things I can only get at the state fair."

She says her baby is due Monday, Sept. 29, but doesn't seem worried about meeting the same fate as Erica Vann, the woman who delivered a son on the midway in October 1995. Baby Diante Thomas arrived with paramedics' help and cheering crowds while his father and brother were riding the nearby Space Loop.

It was a historic event, the fair spokeswoman recalled.

"That's the first time anyone can remember that we increased our attendance in that fashion," Ms. Wiley said.

She and the pregnant women I talked to offered similar hints to make visiting the fair pleasant and comfortable for anyone not in optimum hiking condition. Wear tennis shoes and something cool. Drink plenty of water. And keep an eye out for those restroom signs that seem to be everywhere until the hour of need.

Here are a few more observations from my own State Fair experience at six months along:

— The best bathrooms are in the Embarcadero building near the Texas Hall of State. They're airy, clean, newly refurbished and located conveniently near one of the few places at the fair where you can buy funnel cakes. Avoid restrooms in and near the animal barns. Some are so small as to induce claustrophobia and too near the smells of nature for comfort. The llamas, goats and piglets are cute, though.

— If you walk down the midway, know that a barker at a weight-guessing booth will yell, "Come on, Mama" at you.

— For healthful snacks, head for the Food and Fiber Pavilion, where growers of Texas products from pine cones to honey brag on their wares. Although not everybody hands out samples — I lingered in vain by the watermelon booth — lots of people do, including Margie Whitehead of the Southwestern Dairy Museum, who skewers more than a ton of cheddar, Swiss and mozzarella cubes during the fair's run.

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IRS whistleblower puts her career on the line

WASHINGTON (AP) — The star of the Senate's IRS investigation was a Houston woman who put her career on the line by describing, in vivid terms, something terribly wrong within the tax collection agency.

"Many agents are encouraged by management to pursue tax assessments that have no basis in law from individuals who simply can't fight back," Jennifer Long told a stunned Senate Finance Committee hearing. "I do feel taxpayers' rights are being violated."

The Houston-based revenue agent said in interviews this week her decision to go public evolved from grievances against her Houston office man-

agers. But she believes her problems at work highlight broader abuses of power.

A defining moment in her 15-year IRS career came last November, when Long said "management" — she won't reveal names — sent an IRS inspector pounding on her door, ostensibly to retrieve case files. Long, who sometimes works from her house when doing field audits, contends the only reason the inspector was sent was to harass her.

"That scared me. That was intimidating," Long said. "I felt they were out of control. These people will stop at nothing."

Long, a 46-year-old speaking calmly and directly, said the

"grievances and targeting of me started because I clearly was not a person that could be bought into getting other employees or trying to get the taxpayers."

"I would say ... that my testimony is more like protection for myself," she said. The employment grievance became so bitter that Long feared her managers "want to destroy my professional reputation."

IRS spokesman Henry Holmes in Houston said federal worker privacy laws prevent him from commenting about 10 grievances Long said she's filed against management since July 1996.

"She is free to say what she

wants about her own personal situation," Holmes said.

Long testified Wednesday, under oath, without her identity concealed. A former agent and five current ones addressed the committee the following day from behind cloth screens, their voices electronically scrambled.

In her testimony, Long charged the IRS inspection division, which investigates employee wrongdoing, has been "used as a tool by management to harass and intimidate its employees." In addition, Long charged IRS management with "fabricating evidence against the taxpayer" to run up tax bills. She said he heard that in

some cases friends of management were made off-limits for audits.

IRS officials said they couldn't comment directly on the allegations but described them as extremely serious. Acting IRS Commissioner Michael Dolan ordered the agency's inspector general to investigate, as did Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, saying Long described criminal behavior.

While the committee found Long to be a compelling witness, few details about her background were revealed at the hearing. Tense and visibly worn, she refused reporters' requests for comments outside the hearing room.

DNA evidence sometimes contradicts testimony of victims in criminal trials

AUSTIN (AP) — Genetic testing is proving to be a two-edged sword to prosecutors and defense attorneys, especially in rape cases.

Since its introduction in a 1987 California trial, DNA has come to be regarded as prosecutorial weapon second only to fingerprints as positive evidence of a suspect's guilty.

"That it is accurate is no longer in question," Travis County prosecutor Clay Strange told the Austin American-Statesman for a story published in Saturday's editions.

Strange warned that DNA evidence is only as reliable as the people testing and analyzing it. However, it has been sufficient to smash what appeared to be airtight evidence that has sent innocent people to prison.

"It is definitely an increasing phenomenon," said San Antonio defense attorney Gerald Goldstein. "What we're seeing are more and more individuals who can dramatically demonstrate their innocence in a way that was never possible before."

14-year-old to stand trial for teacher's murder

DALLAS (AP) — A 14-year-old boy charged with murder in the slaying of a popular school teacher is scheduled to go on trial Monday.

Billy Ray Dennis Jr. had been released to his mother's custody in a previous case when he was arrested and charged in the March 15 shooting death of Rasheed Sabour, 48.

Dennis had his first brush with police as a 10-year-old runaway. The Dallas Morning News reported in its Saturday editions. Three years later, he was arrested on car theft charges and was selling crack, the newspaper reported, citing court records.

He faces life imprisonment if convicted on the murder charge.

The image of the 5-foot-3, 95-

On Tuesday, DNA tests paid for by the family of Ben Salazar cast some doubt over his 1991 conviction and 30-year prison sentence for the rape of an Austin woman.

Houston resident Kevin James Byrd is seeking a pardon from Gov. George W. Bush after DNA tests cleared him of a rape for which he spent 12 years in prison. Byrd, 35, was released on bail this summer.

Last week, Fort Worth police dropped a rape charge against Ronald Johnson, 44, after DNA tests eliminated him as a suspect. A police investigator told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram: "I had more evidence with him than with other cases I've filed. I can't figure it out."

All three men were positively identified by the victims.

"It confirms that it's a fallible system, one that's capable of making mistakes," said Goldstein, a former president of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

According to a 1996 study by the National Institute of Justice, victim identification

has been a common denominator in many wrongful convictions.

The study found that 29 men were freed from prison between 1989 and 1996 after DNA tests showed they could not be linked to the crimes. Except in homicide cases, the victim in each case had identified the man as the attacker.

Together, the men served 197 years in prison. Some were convicted twice before DNA set them free. One even pleaded guilty originally.

Police and juries want to believe victims, even if they identify the wrong people as their attackers, said Byrd's attorney, Randy Schaffer of Houston.

Also, in the 28 cases the government studied, defense lawyers often did not pursue their client's alibi or hire their own experts.

"In case after case reported here, defense counsel failed to consult competent scientific experts," said Walter F. Rowe, a George Washington University forensic science professor.

found boy differs dramatically, depending on who's doing the describing.

His mother described him to authorities as an obedient son who kept his room neat, helped with household chores and watched after his little brother.

"He barely can hold a fork and spoon," said Vonda Dennis, 36. "He ain't no vicious nothing."

His attorney agrees. "He's not a monster," said Paul Johnson of Dallas.

First Assistant District Attorney Norman Kinne said Dennis' boyish looks are misleading.

"His conduct has the viciousness of any adult that I have ever seen," Kinne said. "This is a coldblooded killing."

The slain teacher's son wants

to know why Dennis was on the streets when the teacher was killed.

"The county should have taken more control," said Sabour's son, Malik Sabour, 26. "How did they expect something like that to work? They should have put him in juvenile (detention)."

County officials say they had no reason to think Dennis would hurt anyone in January when they released him to his mother. Police had arrested him in a string of property crimes, but probation officials said he had no history of violent offenses.

But Dennis broke free of an electronic monitoring device and evaded them for two months until his arrest after the Sabour slaying.

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Senate Republicans taking sides over finance reform

WASHINGTON (AP) — The ideological split over revising campaign finance rules generally is along partisan lines. But it was Republican vs. Republican for much of the first day of debate on the Senate floor.

The system is "so awash in money that is taken so disproportionately from special interests that the people cannot help but suspect that our service is tainted by it," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who cosponsored the bipartisan bill with Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis.

"If most Americans feel they have sufficient cause to doubt our integrity, then we must seek all reasonable means to persuade them otherwise," McCain said as debate opened Friday. "Reform of our campaign finance laws is indispensable to that end."

Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., a leading opponent of the McCain-Feingold bill, agreed that people oppose the influence of special interests. But he added: "Do you know the definition of a special interest? Special interest is a group that

is against what I am trying to do."

The Senate is "not going to pass this unconstitutional piece of legislation," McConnell said.

He and other Republicans, including House Speaker Newt Gingrich, contend that more money, not less, should be spent on elections to increase political discourse.

They cite a 1976 Supreme Court decision in denouncing provisions to regulate campaign activities by outside groups and individuals, and the ban on unlimited contributions to national parties as infringements on the First Amendment's freedom of speech. The ruling overturned campaign spending limits but upheld some restrictions on contributions.

"Issue advocacy is criticism of us," McConnell said, citing the AFL-CIO's campaign targeting Republicans last year as an example.

"We never like it," he said, but the Supreme Court prevents Congress from trying to "shut up all of these groups."

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—Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

Sen. Fred Thompson of Tennessee, one of only four Senate Republicans publicly supporting the bill, countered: "Opponents of campaign finance reform say it is an assault on the Constitution. I say that McCain-Feingold is an assault on an incumbent's protected system that is rapidly losing faith with the American people."

President Clinton, whose own fund-raising activities are under investigation, praised the Senate for launching the debate. But he said "there will be a lot

of efforts to make it look like we're going to do something and nothing will happen, unless we all work hard and demand that something happen."

The latest, stripped-down version of the McCain-Feingold bill drops a number of the more controversial provisions, including free television time for candidates who voluntarily agree to limit spending.

But senators on both sides are considering measures that the other might deem a "killer amendment."

Republicans, still angered by

the AFL-CIO's \$35 million campaign on behalf of Democratic causes last year, want to limit the ability of unions to participate in campaigns.

A key GOP proposal would prevent unions from using members' dues for political purposes without members' prior approval.

"As far as I am concerned, righting that wrong is the price of admission to campaign finance reform," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss.

That is a "poison pill" to the 45 Democratic senators, who have unanimously endorsed McCain-Feingold.

Minority Leader Thomas Daschle, D-S.D., contended the restriction on unions was a matter of revenge, not meaningful reform.

If the Republicans want such a law, he said, it should apply to all nonprofit, dues-charging groups such as the Chamber of Commerce, the Christian Coalition and the National Rifle Association.

The Democrats support only

the union provision now in the McCain-Feingold bill. It codifies a Supreme Court decision requiring unions to tell dues-paying non-members that they can be reimbursed for the portion of the fee used for political purposes.

Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., and other Democrats said that without limits on campaign spending an overhaul is not really reform.

That also would be a "poison pill" to many Republicans, who oppose any spending limits.

In the House, sponsors of numerous campaign finance bills announced Friday they were uniting to support a version of the latest McCain-Feingold bill.

They rejected Gingrich's prediction that it will not pass the House.

"When anyone says that campaign finance reform is dead, it makes my heart beat faster," said Rep. Zach Wamp, R-Tenn. There is "a lot more support for campaign reform among conservatives than the speaker may recognize," he said.

Shuttle closes in on Mir

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Packed with crucial supplies and a new American crew member for the run-down Russian Mir station, the space shuttle Atlantis hurtled Saturday toward a docking 250 miles above Earth.

The afternoon's planned docking couldn't come soon enough for astronaut David Wolf, who didn't get the OK from NASA for his four-month stay on Mir until hours before Thursday night's launch.

There has been mounting pressure from members of Congress and others to no longer allow Americans to stay on the aging station. Wolf will replace American Michael Foale, who has endured a nearly catastrophic collision and repeated life-support breakdowns.

Prior to the docking, NASA flight controllers kept tabs on the computer that controls Mir's position in space, since it has failed three times in the past three weeks. Flight director Paul Dye said Friday night he was not aware of any problems on Mir.

A computer failure with Atlantis more than 30 feet from Mir would scuttle the docking. Once the shuttle gets close enough, any instability by the station would be too slight to cause a problem, NASA flight directors said.

The faulty computer will be replaced once a new one is delivered by the Atlantis crew. Wolf and his six crewmates also are bringing science experiments, water, food and sealant for holes caused by Mir's June 25 collision with a cargo ship.

The terrifying crash, which ruptured one of six modules and cut power in half on the 11-year-old station, occurred about a month after Foale arrived. The 40-year-old British-born astrophysicist has lived on Mir with two different two-man Russian crews but has not seen another American since the shuttle left him there on May 21.

Wolf, a 41-year-old doctor-engineer, will step in following months of problems on Mir, which besides the collision have included a fire, leaking coolant and the failure of oxygen generators and a carbon dioxide-removal system.

Wolf said he plans to carry out his mission the same way he does his flying: "Do it carefully."

Some Russian Christians facing uncertain future

MOSCOW (AP) — Now that President Boris Yeltsin has enshrined the Russian Orthodox Church as the country's leading faith, other Christian groups face an uncertain future and fear repression. Arguing that Russians need protection from foreign cults, the Orthodox Church won overwhelming support in both houses of parliament for a new law severely restricting mainstream Protestant and Roman Catholic groups.

Vice President Al Gore, who visited Russia last week, joined the Vatican, Congress and human rights groups in criticizing the measure. But Yeltsin signed it into law Friday.

U.S.-based churches, such as the United Methodist Church, have been spreading throughout Russia since the collapse of the Soviet Union and the end of its officially atheist ideology.

The Methodists, who have a U.S.-financed seminary and a number of budding congregations, remain small, but their appeal is growing.

"The Bible tells us to love God with all our heart, soul and mind, but the Orthodox Church doesn't allow you to use your mind," said Nina Smirnova, a 49-year-old Russian who has become a Methodist.

About half of Russia's 150 million people consider themselves followers of the Orthodox Church, but critics say it has changed little over the centuries, remaining essentially the same church that served an illiterate peasant population. Services are conducted in an archaic language that few understand.

Smirnova appears typical of many Russian Methodists: educated city folk drawn to a faith based on a knowledge of the Bible, in which sermons and the study of the Scriptures is

important. She and other Methodists crowded into their pastor's apartment one recent Sunday for a makeshift worship service. The school where the congregation of 30 families usually meets was locked up that day.

During a potluck supper after the service, older women swapped recipes for wild mushrooms and shared their deepest worries. For them, the church provides fellowship.

The drastic changes in Russia and the collapse of the Soviet welfare state have left many people adrift. Their search for something to hold onto has helped create a spiritual renewal.

But the Orthodox Church, still recovering from communist repression itself, has been ill-equipped in some ways to fill the gap.

During Soviet times, churches were forbidden to provide religious education, do charity work or play much of a role in the community.

As a result, Orthodox priests have little experience reaching out to parishioners.

But as soon as the Soviet Union collapsed in late 1991, many American churches, including the Methodists, rushed in with food donations and started relief programs in orphanages and prisons.

The relief programs often led to Bible study groups — usually stepping stones to founding a church.

"They see that Americans are happy, we have fun," said Natalie Tyson, a Methodist missionary with her husband, Jarrell.

They make the rounds of about 35 congregations, with a total membership of around 5,000.

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Europeans jump to shocking 9-4 lead over U.S. in Ryder Cup

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SOTOGRADE, Spain — An American victory at Valderrama will take even more magic than Seve the Sorcerer displayed Saturday. Nothing short of the greatest comeback in Ryder Cup history will be enough.

Seve Ballesteros smiled, snarled, cajoled, kibitzed, winced and sometimes just watched as his European team had a near-sweep of the United States and took a stunning 9-4 lead into Sunday.

With three alternate-shot matches

suspended by darkness and 12 singles matches still to play, Europe needed only 5 of the remaining 15 points to win the Cup outright and five points to retain it as defending champion.

"Time will tell," Ballesteros said coyly about his team's chances of keeping the Cup it won in 1995.

"It's true that we have a certain advantage," he said. "But there's still a long way to go. We have to keep working and fighting and never relax."

No team has ever trailed by more than two points going into singles play and won in the 81 previous Ryder

Cups, and the United States would need to sweep the three suspended matches just to get that close.

Only four times in the 70-year history of the competition has a team trailed going into singles play and won — including Europe in 1995, which trailed 7-9 and won 14-13.

A subdued Tom Kite, who said he was shell-shocked, put up a brave face after Europe won six of the seven points decided Saturday.

"It's not insurmountable," said the U.S. captain. "We'll have to play like crazy, but it's not insurmountable."

Playing like crazy may not do it.

After losing one match carried over from Friday's suspension and halving the other, the Americans trailed 4-3 and sent their best players out for the morning better-ball matches.

Fred Couples and Davis Love III, Justin Leonard and Brad Faxon, Tiger Woods and Mark O'Meara, Phil Mickelson and Tom Lehman could manage only a half point in their four better-ball matches.

And in three of those four matches the Americans were ahead going to the back nine only to watch the determined underdogs sprint past them.

"Three of the four major champi-

onship winners were out there," Mickelson said, referring to Woods, Leonard and Love. "And they beat all of us. Give them credit, they figured out how to beat us."

It was a true team effort by the Europeans.

Woods and O'Meara were 6-under par — and lost.

Leonard made five birdies and an eagle but got no help from Faxon — and lost.

Couples and Love were 5-under par — and lost.

Lehman and Mickelson were 5-under par — and only managed to halve.

Florida hammers Kentucky

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Florida's Doug Johnson fired five touchdown passes, including three to Jacquez Green in the first quarter, as the No. 1 Gators took a 28-0 lead en route to a 55-28 victory over Kentucky on Saturday.

Johnson completed 22-of-34 passes for 286 yards before leaving after the third quarter as Florida (4-0, 2-0 Southeastern Conference) won its 24th straight league game and beat the Wildcats (2-2, 0-2) for the 11th straight time.

Kentucky's Tim Couch, who was sacked four times, hit 33-of-59 passes for 348 yards and two touchdowns and had three interceptions. It marked the fourth time this season that Couch has passed for more than 300 yards.

Florida wasted little time in asserting itself defensively, as Willie Rodgers intercepted Couch's pass on the first play of the game at the Kentucky 16. The replay showed the ball bounced off the turf before landing in Rodgers' hands.

On the next play, just 22 seconds into the game, Fred Taylor raced around left end for the touchdown.

Auburn 41

Central Florida 14

Dameyune Craig enjoyed the third-best passing night of his career, throwing for 360 yards and two touchdowns Saturday to lead No. 8 Auburn to a 41-14 victory over Central Florida.

Operating almost exclusively out of the shotgun, Craig completed 27-of-40 passes, including six completions of 20 yards or more. He also ran for 57 yards and a score to finish with 417 yards in total offense, five short of former quarterback Patrick Nix's school record.

It was the 18th straight non-conference regular-season victory for Auburn (4-0), which was trying to guard against a letdown after last week's 31-28 victory at LSU. Central Florida (1-4) showed none of the tenacity it had in coming close to upsets earlier this season against Mississippi, South Carolina and Nebraska.

The Golden Knights were hoping to turn it into a contest between Craig and their own star quarterback, Daunte Culpepper.

But while Culpepper took a

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Steers hold off late Snyder rally, 20-14



Big Spring's Aaron Boadle (30) sweeps right on a wingback reverse as tackle Kurt Miranda (72) leads the way on a play that picked up six yards during the Steers' 20-14 win over Snyder Friday. The win improved the Steers' record to 3-1 going into this week's homecoming date with Levelland.

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

SNYDER — What might have been easy turned difficult Friday, as Big Spring's Steers were forced to hold off a furious finish by Snyder's Tigers in preserving a 20-14 win.

After having run just eight offensive plays, the Steers owned a 14-0 lead and appeared ready to make Snyder's homecoming anything but a happy affair.

But the remainder of the first half would be a study in frustration for the Steers and just six more Big Spring points in the third quarter meant Dwight Butler was unable to give several banged up starters much rest.

When asked whether it was a case of the Steers having played down to the level of the competition or if Snyder had played inspired football, Butler's evaluation was: "A little of both, probably."

The Steers' first possession, a four-play, 69-yard march capped by Tory Mitchell's 44-yard

touchdown sprint with 10:19 showing on the first quarter clock seemed to have the Tigers reeling.

Following the ensuing kickoff, Snyder ran just two plays before fumbling at the Tiger 17. Charles Rodriguez scooped up the loose football and the Steers scored four plays later when Mitchell dashed in from five yards out.

"It was too easy too quick for us," Butler said. "We haven't won enough to know how to handle that. When you couple that with our lack of depth, it gives us some problems."

"We came out focused to play ... much better than we have the past couple of weeks. That was evident," Butler continued. "But we've got to learn that when things are easy, the only way to keep things easy is you have to keep the pressure up."

"When we had the first bunch in there together offensively, things really clicked," he added. "But when we started trying to give some people a breather, we lost our continuity."

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Bufs end 10 years of frustrating losses to 'Dogs

By RUSS MULLINS

HERALD Correspondent

COAHOMA — Believe it ... THE rivalry just got more interesting.

Forsan's Buffaloes halted 10 years of frustration Friday night, with a 6-0 win over Coahoma's Bulldogs.

The win came on a night of big rivalries being played throughout West Texas and on the same night that Odessa's Bronchos beat Permian for the first time since 1964, but nobody was more pleased with winning than the black and white-clad Forsan faithful.

The chant could be heard as Forsan's busses left Bulldog Stadium. "We beat Coahoma ... We beat Coahoma" seemed to ring out in jubilation as each driver turned out of the parking lot and headed southward into the Howard County night.

"It was a big win for the boys and a big win for our program," Forsan coach Steve Park acknowledged following the defensive struggle.

Forsan finally broke the scoreless tie with 2:49 remaining when Cory Walker capped a 20-play, 87-yard drive from two yards out.

The winning drive began in the third quarter and ate up most of the fourth.

Forsan	Team stats	Coahoma
16	First downs	7
180	rushing yds.	109
12	passing yds.	15
1-7-1	Comp/Att/Int	2-9-2
4-32-4	punts-avg.	3-36.7
1-1	fum.-lost	0-0
3-27	pen.-yds.	3-25

Forsan	0	0	0	6	6
Coahoma	0	0	0	0	0

Scoring summary:
First Quarter
No scoring
Second Quarter
No scoring
Third Quarter
No scoring
Fourth Quarter
F - 2:49 remaining, Cory Walker 2 run, kick fails.

But the Bulldogs still had an opportunity.

That chance came a cropper when the 'Dogs found themselves in a fourth-and-five situation.

Coahoma coaches seemingly had called the right play when Vincent Garcia started upfield on a quarterback draw, but a Forsan defender managed to get his hand out and barely trip up Garcia.

The Bulldogs dodged a bullet in the first half when Forsan's Justin White lost the handle at the Coahoma one-yard line. The turnover meant a drive, which had begun at the Buffaloes' 34 had gone for naught.

Kurt Bennett got the Bulldogs out of that hole with a 36-yard



Forsan running back Justin White (40) puts his hand down in an attempt to keep his balance, as Coahoma defenders Jerry Mann (3) and Kendall Boyd (55) move in from opposite directions to make the stop. The Bufs ended 10 years of Coahoma dominance in the Howard County rivalry with a 6-0 win Friday.

gain on the next play, but three plays later Coahoma was forced to punt the ball.

Coahoma mounted its best drive of the night on its first possession of the second half. But after marching 41 yards into Buff territory, the 'Dog

gave up possession on downs.

The Bulldogs got the ball back when Jerry Mann intercepted an errant Cade Park pass, but five plays later returned the favor when Garcia was intercepted at the Forsan 13.

It was from that point that

the Buffaloes put together their winning drive, again drawing on the talents of several running backs.

Coahoma's Kurt Bennett finished the night as the game's

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Grady takes 40-32 homecoming win over well-traveled Sanderson



Grady end Greg Gibson (34) gets hauled down from behind by a Sanderson tackler as teammate Brady Peugh looks on during the Wildcats' 40-32 win Friday.

By JOHN H. WALKER

Managing Editor

GRADY — It wasn't supposed to turn out the way it did ... just ask a bunch of disappointed Sanderson Eagles fans who had made the 250-mile trip from Terrell County, only to see Grady's Wildcats take a 40-32 six-man football win here Friday night.

Grady?

The same Grady that opened with back-to-back losses to Ropes and Borden County while Sanderson steamrolled its opponents?

Yep, the one and the same Grady. "The kids came through," said Grady Head Coach Roger Smith, still dripping water after being doused with a cooler full of ice water. "This was one of the best team efforts we've had here."

Smith admitted it has been fun watching his young team come together over the past two weeks.

"The first two games, we just played half a game," he said. "Against Buena Vista (last week), we came together and started playing as a team."

"This is a young ball club and this is probably one of the biggest shots in the arm we could get ... we needed this."

While it was no easy feat to accomplish, Grady won the game by setting the Eagles back on their heels ... or was that their seats, at the game's outset ... then playing tenacious defense over the final 20 minutes of the contest.

And the game was just like that ... as if the two halves, separated by a halftime crowning of Jessica Holloway as homecoming queen, were as different as night and day.

For practical purposes, it would be fair to say that except for a Grady recovery of a fumbled kickoff and a Sanderson interception — both plays leading to touchdowns — there was no defense played in the first half.

Grady scored on four of its first five possessions of the half while Sanderson scored all four times it touched the ball offensively as the two teams went into intermission with the Wildcats leading 32-25.

Perhaps it was Grady's quick strike in the game's opening moments that sidetracked the

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SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
National League
NL—Suspended New York Mets OF Carl Everett for one game, effective immediately, and fined him an undisclosed amount for excessive arguing and using an obscene gesture in a game on September 22.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

Table with columns: American League, National League, East Division, West Division, Central Division. Columns include W, L, Pct., GB.

3.88; Clemens, Toronto, 21-7, .750, 2.04; Pettitte, New York, 18-7, .720, 2.88; Hershiser, Cleveland, 14-6, .700, 4.47.

Stanton pounds Midland Christian

HERALD Staff Report

Midland Christian's Mustangs discovered Friday night that a storied tradition in six-man private school football does not prepare one to face the likes of this year's Stanton Buffaloes.

Table with columns: Team stats, MC. Rows include First downs, rushing yds, passing yds, Comp/Att/Int, punts-avg, fums-lost, pen-yds.

closed out the game's scoring with a 6-yard touchdown run. The totals were impressive. The Buffs finished the night with 331 yards rushing and 243 passing — 574 yards of total offense and more than 30 first downs.

Stanton scored his first touchdown, a 5-yard burst, after Jenkins had reeled off 60. Sal Gonzalez added another touchdown on a 6-yard run with 7:23 remaining in the first half.

Stanton scored on its first play from scrimmage — a 53-yard Kyle Herm to Tyrone Davis completion — and from that point forward, the outcome was never in doubt.

Herm would finish the night throwing for two touchdowns and rushing for still another. He was 9-of-12 for 203 yards in the passing department.

Teammate James Jenkins led all rushers, his 135 yards on 17 carries, just three yards short of matching the total offense Stanton allowed the usually potent Mustangs. Jody Lowder added 83 yards on 11 carries and scored two touchdowns.

In fact, virtually everyone got in on the act for the Buffaloes, as backup quarterback Kory Williams, who went 1-of-5 passing, hooked up with Maurice Martinez on a 73-yard touchdown pass. In addition, he

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But Stanton's next fumble yielded different results. This time it was the Buffs who recovered in the Midland Christian end zone with 38 seconds remaining to take a 28-7 lead into the intermission.

The Buffs return home this week, playing host to Reagan County.

FOOTBALL

Buffalo Bills—Promoted assistant general manager of business operations Bill Munson to vice president of operations.

Today's Games

Minnesota (Tewksbury 7:13) at Cleveland (Nagy 15:10), 12:05 p.m. N.Y. Yankees (Trabu 4:4) at Detroit (Keagle 3:4), 12:05 p.m. Boston (Checo 1:1) at Toronto (Clemens 2:17), 12:05 p.m. Kansas City (Pittsley 5:8) at Chicago White Sox (Eyre 3:4), 1:05 p.m.

DOUBLETS

Grudzianek, Montreal, 54; Gwynn, San Diego, 49; L'Walker, Colorado, 48; Lansing, Montreal, 45; Clonjes, Atlanta, 41; Mondesi, Los Angeles, 41.

LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING—FThomas, Chicago, .352; EManuel, Seattle, .330; Justice, Cleveland, .329; Ramirez, Cleveland, .327; BeWilliams, New York, .327; Greer, Texas, .322.

West Division

Table with columns: W, L, Pct., GB. Rows include Houston, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Chicago.

LOCAL SCHEDULE

Here is a composite schedule for the area's high school teams: FRIDAY, OCT. 3 Levelland at Big Spring, 7:30 p.m. Coalinga at Winters, 8 p.m.

STEERS

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Despite a lack of continuity, the Steers were still a match for the Tigers, perhaps the most telling example coming on the final play of the first quarter when Snyder running back Cheyenne Robinson broke clear outside left end and headed down the sidelines for what seemed a certain touchdown.

What Robinson and virtually no one else could have expected was that Steers defensive end C.J. Ashley would come from the other side of the field, get the right angle and then run down the Snyder runner from behind.

"It was a heck of a play," Butler acknowledged. "He just wouldn't quit. C.J.'s extremely coachable... team oriented and he just won't quit. When you look at the final score, that was a game-saving tackle, because they didn't get anything out of that possession."

The Steers opened the second half in much the same manner they did the first — forcing a fumble on the Tigers' first play from scrimmage. Arthur Gonzalez recovered at the Snyder four, and when Mitchell was dropped for a one-yard

Table with columns: Big Spring, Team stats, Snyder. Rows include First downs, rushing yds, passing yds, Comp/Att/Int, punts-avg, fums-lost, pen-yds.

loss, fullback Antwoyne Edwards ripped up the middle from five yards out to make it a 20-0 lead.

Mitchell would finish the night with 137 yards on nine carries, while Edwards picked up 91 on 18 carries.

Edwards found himself shadowed by linebacker Kyle Beck everywhere he went Friday. "That's why we like having both Antwoyne and Tory back there together," Butler said.

FORSAN

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leading rusher with 81 yards, while White paced the Buffs with 65. Forsan also got tough running from Walker, who finished with 52 yards; Chris King and Derek Wash.

Bulldog coach Jim Edwards admitted the loss was just as demoralizing for his squad as it was uplifting for the Buffs.

"It was very disappointing for the kids," Edwards said. "We really thought we were the better team, but we didn't prove it tonight. The kids gave a great effort, and we coaches are going to work all weekend to figure out what we need to do to get over this hump."

With the win, Forsan improves to 2-2 on the season and is 1-0 in District 8-2A play. Coahoma is still looking to get

into the win column. Next up for the Buffaloes is a visit by Walls, which shocked Iraan Friday; while the Bulldogs travel to Winters.

Table with columns: Team stats, Coahoma. Rows include First downs, rushing yds, passing yds, Comp/Att/Int, punts-avg, fums-lost, pen-yds.

Scoring summary: First Quarter No scoring. Second Quarter No scoring. Third Quarter No scoring. Fourth Quarter F - 2:49 remaining, Cory Walker 2 run, kick fails.

SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

Special Olympics bowling touney set

Special Olympic bowlers, who've been preparing since July, will finally get their chance to compete Oct. 11 in the Special Olympics Texas Area 18 Bowling Tournament at Big Spring's Bowl-A-Rama.

YMCA forming swim team

A swim team to be coached by Harlan Smith is being formed by the Big Spring YMCA. The team meets from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights, and anyone between the ages of 6 and 16 who can swim one length of the pool and is willing to learn the four competitive swimming strokes is welcome to join.

YMCA planning flag football program

The Big Spring YMCA will have a youth flag football program this fall for boys and girls in kindergarten through the sixth grade. The deadline for registration will be Saturday, Sept. 27. For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Coahoma Booster Club meetings set

The Coahoma Booster Club's next meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday in the high school's faculty dining room. The club meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. and each meeting includes a brief review of the previous Friday's game film.

Disc golf tournament set for Oct. 5

The 5th Ever DiscOver Big Spring Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Oct. 5 at Birdwell Park. Registration for the 54-hole tournament is scheduled for 11 a.m. with a noon tee off. Entry fees for the tournament are set at \$25 for

professionals, \$15 for amateurs and women and \$10 for juniors.

For additional information, contact Greg Brooks at 267-1465 or 267-6335.

Quarterback Club meeting Tuesday

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Big Spring High School Athletic Facility's film room. The club meets each Tuesday at 7 p.m. to review films from the previous week's Steers game.

Herald seeking stringers for football

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.

Goliad squads split with Snyder

Goliad's Mavericks managed a split of two games with Snyder Thursday, the White taking a 14-0 win, while the Black dropped a 21-0 decision.

Following a scoreless first half, the White Mavs got on the scoreboard on a 62-yard reverse by Brandon Brown. John Giles then added the two-point run for an 8-0 lead.

In the fourth quarter, the White added an insurance run on Billy Acosta's 10-yard romp. In addition to the play of Brown, Giles and Acosta, the White offense received strong contributions from Cody Osborn, Taylor Leatham, Jose Badillo, Ray DeLeon, Nic Bailey, Eric Hernandez, Wolfgang Robinson, Chris Castanusa, Raymond, Castillo, Mario Rodriguez and Jonathan Flores.

Despite suffering the shutout loss, Mavericks coaches singled out four Black team players for their offensive contributions — Angel Torres, Michael Wilson, Brandon Mendoza and Kyle Newton.

Defensive standouts for the Black were Curtis Woodruff, Jesse Vanderbilt, Duane Fulgham and Josh Matthews. The Goliad teams will again play Snyder Thursday with games set for 5 p.m. and 6:15 p.m.

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Steers netters prove to be way too much for Pecos in 18-0 affair



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett

Big Spring's Kayne Stroup hammers a two-handed backhand back during Saturday's doubles play against Pecos.

HERALD Staff Report

No contest. Big Spring's Steers literally romped to an 18-0 team tennis win over Pecos Saturday, losing just one set and in many of the matches, refusing to allow the Eagle netters even a single game.

The Steers' No. 4 boys' singles entrant, Jeff Castle, seemed on his way to a love match win over Pecos' Jeff Lam, having taken the first set 6-0 and leading 3-0 in the second, when he lost focus.

As a result, Lam was able to rally for a 7-5 win and force a third set which Castle, having regained his composure, took in 6-1 fashion.

"That was about the only sur-

prise... that any of them were able to force us into a third set," Big Spring coach Ralph Davis said following the 18 match sweep. "This is the best tennis team I've ever coached... either 4A or 5A. I may never get another chance to coach one that's this good."

Pecos' boys proved to be a little more competitive than their female teammates, but only marginally.

Once again, Big Spring co-captains Hsiao-Hsuan Li and Monica Villarreal led the way, virtually blitzing Pecos' Jonathan Fuentes and Randa Taylor in the No. 1 singles matches. Li topped Fuentes, 6-1, 6-1, while Villarreal blasted Taylor, 6-0, 6-0.

The Steers' No. 2 and No. 3

singles players were every bit as dominant. Drew McKimney taking a 6-0, 6-1 over Mark Marquez and Kayne Stroup was a 6-0, 6-0 winner over Tye Graham on the boys' side. Kim Dominguez followed suit with a 6-0, 6-0 win over Pecos' No. 2 girl, Teresa Minjarez, while YuChing Li posted a 6-0, 6-1 win over Nichi Donnalley.

In the other boys' singles matches, Dean Swafford took a 6-0, 6-2 win over Allen Fleming and Sterling Hillman completed the singles sweep with a 6-0, 6-0 win over David Lam.

The girls followed suit with Christina Vera taking a 6-0, 6-4 win over Vanessa Miranda in the No. 3 match, while Kylee Welch beat Rachel Pharoah, 6-1, 6-0, and Meredith Tissue topped

Lorrie Minjarez, 6-0, 6-1.

In boys' doubles action, Stroup and McKimney teamed for a 6-4, 6-1 win over Fuentes and Marquez in the No. 1 match, while Li and Swafford were 6-1, 6-0 winners over Jeff Lam and Graham. Hillman and Castle had no trouble with Fleming and David Lam in the No. 3 match, taking a 6-0, 6-0 victory.

Pecos' No. 1 girls' doubles tandem of Taylor and Donnalley were no match for Villarreal and Vera, as the Big Spring tandem posted a 6-1, 6-0 win. Li and Dominguez then took a 6-0, 6-0 win over Teresa Minjarez and Miranda. Welch and Tissue then closed things out with a 6-1, 6-1 drubbing of Pharoah and Lorrie Minjarez.

Bearkats open district with win

HERALD Staff Report

GARDEN CITY — Garden City's Bearkats chalked up their second straight win, a 14-12 decision over Robert Lee, and grabbed a share of the District 7-1A lead Friday, snuffing a two-point conversion try by the Steers with 29 seconds to play.

After having jumped out to a 14-0 halftime lead and having dominated the game for three quarters, Garden City was forced to hold on for dear life in the final 12 minutes, as the Steers mounted a determined comeback.

Garden City took a 7-0 lead midway through the first period when quarterback Cory Batla found David Garza open and hit him with a 410-yard scoring strike. Robert Guerrero tackled on one of two extra point kicks that proved pivotal.

Late in the first half, the Bearkats extended that lead when Curtis Schmitz hauled in

Robert Lee	Team stats	G. City
15	First downs	11
128	rushing yds.	117
104	passing yds.	100
10-16-1	Comp/Att/Int	7-11-2
2-37-0	punts-avg	2-37.5
2-1	turn-lost	1-1
2-15	pen-yds	6-35

Robert Lee 0 0 0 12 -12
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Scoring summary:
First Quarter
GC - 6:24 remaining, David Garza 10 pass from Cory Batla, Robert Guerrero kick.
Second Quarter
GC - 2:54, Curtis Schmitz 35 pass from Batla, Guerrero kick.
Third Quarter
No scoring.
Fourth Quarter
RL - 7:43, Will Simpson 2 run, kick failed.
RL - 0:29, Michael Munoz 1 run, run failed.

a 35-yard touchdown pass from Batla.

Following a scoreless third quarter, Robert Lee finally got untracked in the final 12 minutes.

Will Simpson capped the 62-yard Steers' drive with a run, from two yards out, but Robert Lee's extra point kick sailed

wide of the uprights.

And the second touchdown, a one-yarder by Michael Munoz, left the Steers having to attempt the two-point conversion.

Instead of throwing the ball — almost all of the Steers' yardage in the final two drives had come through the air — Robert Lee quarterback Eli Boxell attempted to keep the ball and was tackled from behind.

For the Bearkats, Batla finished the night completing seven of 11 passes for 100 yards and the two touchdowns, while Adam Frysak led the way overall, picking up 114 yards on 22 carries.

The loss leaves Robert Lee with an 0-4 season and 0-1 district record.

The Bearkats will be on the road next week when they pay a visit to nearby rival Sterling City which romped to a 47-6 district-opening win over Bronte Friday.

Mustangs stampede past Veribest, 53-6

HERALD Staff Report

ACKERLY — Quarterback Jerrod Beall passed for two touchdowns and ran for three more Friday as Sands' Mustangs romped to a 53-6 non-district win over Veribest.

Only in its second season of playing football, Veribest was simply no competition for the Mustangs.

Sands allowed Veribest just three first downs on the night and 188 yards in total offense. Veribest's lone score came late in the first quarter when Josh Holbert broke loose on a 60-yard touchdown dash.

Conversely, Beall and company romped to 390 yards in total offense in less than three quarters of work, the game being called on the 45-point rule midway through the third period.

Beall started the scoring with a 35-yard run less than four minutes into the game.

Two minutes later, Robert Cisneros hauled in Beall's first

Veribest	Team stats	Sands
3	First downs	12
87	rushing yds.	253
31	passing yds.	137
3-10-1	Comp/Att/Int	8-16-0
2-41-0	punts-avg	0-0
2-2	turn-lost	1-1
2-10	pen-yds	6-45

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Sands 28 13 12 x - 53

Scoring summary:
First Quarter
S - 8:13 remaining, Jerrod Beall 35 run, kick fails.
S - 6:16, Robert Cisneros 40 pass from Beall, Robin Cisneros kick.
S - 5:17, Robert Cisneros 4 pass from Roy Kirby, Robin Cisneros kick.
S - 1:58, Robert Cisneros 28 pass from Beall, Robin Cisneros kick.
V - 0:01, Josh Holbert 60 run, kick fails.
Second Quarter
S - 6:53, Anthony Cantu fumble recovery in end zone, Cesar Martinez run.
S - 1:58, Beall 21 run, kick fails.
Third Quarter
S - 9:25, Beall 31 run, kick failed.
S - 6:46, Junior Martinez 70 run

touchdown pass and raced to the end zone to cap a 40-yard play. His younger brother Robin tackled on the extra points and the rout was on.

Only 59 seconds had elapsed before Robert Cisneros scored again, this time on the receiving end of a Roy Kirby pass.

Cisneros' third touchdown catch would come with 1:58 left in the first quarter, this one a 28-yard reception from Beall.

With a somewhat comfortable 28-6 lead, the Mustangs kept the pressure on. Anthony Cantu recovered a Veribest fumble for a touchdown with 6:53 left in the half. Beall then broke loose on a 21-yard touchdown jaunt with just 1:58 left in the first half.

Beall's third rushing score came two and a half minutes into the third quarter when he scooted 31 yards to paydirt, and Junior Martinez's 70-yard touchdown run a couple of minutes later halted play.

The Mustangs, now 3-1 on the season, get an extra day to prepare for next week's Sands Roundup game in which they'll host Meadow at 2 p.m. Saturday.

COLLEGES

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beating to collect his 210 yards on 19-for-30 passing, Craig spent most of the night unbothered in the pocket and throwing on target to the receivers in Auburn's three-four- and five-wideout sets.

Texas 38 Rice 31

Ricky Williams ran for 249 yards and a school-record five touchdowns Saturday as Texas bounced back from a sluggish start to hold off Rice 38-31.

Williams, who carried 28 times, scored on runs of 9, 48, 4, 25 and 15 yards as the Longhorns (2-1) tried to put behind them the humiliating 66-3 loss to UCLA in their last outing two weeks ago.

It wasn't easy. Rice (2-2), which surprised Northwestern 40-34 last weekend, got two touchdowns from Michael Perry on runs of 40 and 66 yards. The Owls' spread-option offense piled up 452 rushing yards and baffled Texas much of the afternoon.

Williams' fifth touchdown, which gave Texas its first lead at 35-31 with 10:39 left in the game, was set up by a roughing-the-kicker penalty against Rice after the Owls had stopped a Texas drive at the Rice 48.

The penalty gave the Longhorns a first down. Five plays later, Williams scored from 15 yards, breaking the record of four shared by six players, including Earl

Campbell, who did it twice in 1977. Phil Dawson had a 23-yard field goal on Texas' next possession to make it 38-31.

Michigan 21 Notre Dame 14

A bad situation just got worse for Notre Dame.

Brian Griese's 41-yard touchdown pass and Chris Floyd's 14-yard scoring run in the opening minutes of the second half lifted No. 6 Michigan to a 21-14 victory over Notre Dame on Saturday, giving the Irish a three-game losing streak for the first time in 12 years.

Not since Gerry Faust's final Irish team dropped three straight at the close of the 1985 season has Notre Dame (1-3) sunk so low. And with a game next Saturday at No. 20 Stanford, the Irish and new coach Bob Davie could find themselves with the school's longest losing streak since 1963.

The Irish played their best game under Davie, but were unable to recover from Michigan's two-TD barrage in the first 5:39 of the second half that put the Wolverines ahead by seven points.

Three times in the fourth quarter, the Irish recovered the fumbles in Michigan territory and three times they failed to

score. The final recovery, credited to linebacker Jimmy Friday, gave the Irish the ball at the 28, but Autry Denson was stacked up on fourth-and-1 at the 19 and Michigan (3-0) ran out the final 3:26.

Rice wasn't finished. The Owls took over at their 20 with 5:28 to go and marched to the Texas 12 with eight seconds left. Chad Nelson's pass into the end zone to Jason Blackwell was caught out of bounds. With two seconds remaining, Nelson, under pressure and with 53,811 fans screaming, threw incomplete into the end zone.

Texas A&M 36 North Texas 10

Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum said before the game there was no way North Texas was going to ambush his Aggies the way the Eagles shocked Texas Tech last week. He was correct.

Dante Hall rushed for 156 yards and set up two touchdowns and Sir Parker rushed for 124 yards and scored a touchdown Saturday as No. 22 Texas A&M remained unbeaten with a 36-10 victory over North Texas.

"We had a lot of respect for North Texas," Slocum said. "We made some mistakes in the first half but took control in the second half. It was important to have a game like this before we play Colorado next week. Our running backs did a great job."

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Astros blast Pittsburgh, 8-1

HOUSTON (AP) — Shane Reynolds beat Pittsburgh for the seventh time in eight decisions against the Pirates, and Bob Abreu had a two-run double, leading the Houston Astros to an 8-1 victory Saturday night.

Reynolds (9-10), scheduled to pitch Game 3 of the playoffs against Atlanta, allowed one run and six hits in five innings, struck out five and walked none.

Abreu hit an RBI double off Jason Schmidt (10-9) in a three-

run fifth that put Houston ahead 6-1.

Sean Berry's sacrifice fly and Luis Gonzalez's pinch-single added runs in the seventh.

Schmidt gave up six runs and seven hits in 4 1-3 innings.

Mark Smith put Pittsburgh ahead with an RBI double in the first.

Houston, which clinched the NL Central title on Thursday, took a 3-1 lead in the third on Chuck Carr's RBI single and Jeff Bagwell's RBI double.

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◆ Sherlock Holmes, the most famous detective in fiction, appears in 56 short stories and four novels.

◆ In the past, the holly tree was used in houses and churches at Christmas. It was called holy tree.

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MAKE A DIFFERENCE

On Oct. 25, people across the country will do something for someone else.

With hard work, a kind word or just a smile, they will make a difference in someone else's life.

That's what National Make a Difference Day is all about.

The day, which is being spearheaded locally by the Salvation Army, encourages people to get their heads together and come up with a project to help someone else. At best, it leads to a lifelong commitment to serving others.

At least, it makes a difference in one life.

"This is a day when each individual in the community can do something that makes a difference in the community, by volunteering to do something that day," said Danelle Castillo, social worker for the Salvation Army. That agency is planning a drive to collect personal hygiene items — something many homeless and needy people lack.

"It's just one day, but this may become something people could do year-round," Castillo said.

The Salvation Army plans to give ideas to other people, but does not want the day limited to help for that agency. Castillo said the idea of Make a Difference Day is community-wide action.

She said she hopes church groups, clubs, neighborhood groups and others will get together between now and Oct. 25 and plan a project.

"Our goal is just inspiring people," she said. "Sometimes people just need some information about getting something going," agreed Mary Dell Tolcher, of the Salvation Army. "That's what we hope to do."

"There are so many things people could do that they might never think of."

As an example, Castillo said a church group in town once volunteered to serve a meal at

the Salvation Army shelter. The group members didn't have to cook the food, they just filled trays and took the meals to people who had arrived to eat.

That shelter serves 1,500 people per month at no charge: homeless men and women, families and the elderly.

"(The youth group) probably didn't realize what a difference that simple project made, but it meant a lot to those people," Castillo said.

Tolcher said with a little creativity, people will find plenty of options open to them: mow the yards of elderly in your neighborhood; read to a younger child; do housework for someone who is unable; offer a neighbor a few hours of free babysitting.

For those who can't or won't volunteer their time, Make a Difference Day is a good time to

develop a habit of giving their money to service organizations and charities.

"With the holiday season coming on, funds are really going to be low and expenses will be up there," Castillo said. "Donations do make a difference."

Nationwide, Make a Difference Day draws more than one million volunteers each year, according to USA Weekend, a sponsor. Some past projects included: free mammograms for poor women, clothes for the homeless, planting trees and raising scholarship funds.

Projects that capture the spirit of Make a Difference Day nationwide receive awards, including donations that help assure their work can continue.

A hotline has been set up to give information about the day: 1-800-416-3824. Or call the Salvation Army at 267-8239.

What you can do...

Here are some ways you might make a difference on Oct. 25:

- **WORK** at your church, in the office, around the building or outside.
- **MOW** and trim the yard of an elderly neighbor.
- **PAINT** over graffiti.
- **SERVE** a meal at the Salvation Army shelter.
- **COLLECT** hygiene or food items for the needy, to be distributed by the Salvation Army or Northside Community Center.
- **CARE** for the child of a single parent you know, to give him or her a break for a few hours.
- **ASK** a local agency what it needs, and plan a project to fulfill that need.
- **ADOPT** a family through a local agency and help them meet some of their basic needs.
- **GIVE** a few hours of work to the Big Spring Humane Society.
- **SPEND** some time with your family, helping someone else together.
- **VISIT** at a local nursing home. Sing songs, tell stories, or just talking with residents.
- **READ** to children at a day care center.
- **WINTERIZE** the home of an elderly or needy neighbor.
- **REPAIR** a broken window or a broken appliance for someone else.
- **CLEAN** out your attic, closets and storage areas, then give the clean, working items to someone who needs them.
- **PLAN** a "day out" for the community's children with educational activities and fun.



In the photos, local residents "make a difference" in many ways: (top) Chick Madry of Midway Baptist Church, with Canterbury residents, from left, Bo Isaacs, Margie Windsor, Margaret Whitefield, Rosalee Allred and Bud Statham. Midway Baptist Church takes residents of Canterbury shopping at a local grocery store once a month at no charge. (Center) Joe Smith serves a meal at the Salvation Army shelter. (Bottom, left to right) volunteer Lou Vincent waits on Robert Smith at the Chalet, a resale shop benefitting state hospital patients; volunteer Lana Angulano hangs up clothing at the Chalet; and Bauer Elementary volunteers Nancy Black and Tyna Knowlton sort items for the school's fall festival.



Story by Debbie L. Jensen
Photos by Jonathan Garrett and
Debbie L. Jensen

Discovering El Nino, remembering ways to wait out weather

A long stretch of 100 degree days is not the time to think deeply about anything.

I read a police psychology report once that said 'more murders are committed when the temperature is at 92 degrees than at any other time.'

Their reasoning went — anything cooler allows us to hold our tempers, and, anything hotter renders us too dull to care. I think they are on to something.

Before last week's cool weather set in I had walked in my sleep, feeling wrapped in warm flannel, through the month of September. Anything worth doing was done slowly.

I drug my feet to the mailbox each afternoon, as listless and distracted as Prissy in Gone

With the Wind, going to fetch the doctor for Miss Scarlett. And I imagined the conversation in every feed store and Dairy Queen in Howard County. "Is it hot enough for you?"

There is nothing hotter than a hot country road; the rattle of dry mesquite beans about to fall, the way a horned-toad pants in the shade of a careless weed and how the dust, dried to powder, drifts up to choke you.

The only way to enjoy a day like that is the way my friend, Claudette, and I used to do it.

When the sun melted the tar on an asphalt road in town we picked off a chunk and chewed it. We thought it whitened our teeth.

Or, out at her house in the country, we'd mix up a batch of snuff (dry c o c o a stirred up in sugar) and walk up and down the road seeing how far we could spit.

Sometimes we'd just sit in the shade of the house and make doodle-bugs come out of their holes. Remember that chant? 'Doodle-bug, doodle-bug, your house is

on fire, come out and have a cup of coffee.'

You had to twirl your finger around the rim of the hole while you said it. If they didn't come out, you just scooped up a handful of dirt and she'd be in there.

I called Claudette a couple of weeks ago to see if she wanted to come over and make snuff, but she must have been gone to somewhere cool in her RV.

Somewhere cool, for me, was in the house under the air conditioner. I read and made a long list of things I don't know anything about. Among them, El Nino.

I first heard about it on the radio. What caught my ear was the weatherman saying, "El

Nino is expected to bring colder weather than usual this winter across the southern portion of the United States."

My husband and I had already predicted to each other that the first winter frost would come during the week of Nov. 5. We based that on an old wives' tale which holds that the first frost comes 90 days after the first norther in August.

A norther in August constitutes a temperature drop of, at least, 10 degrees. That happened here on Aug. 5. A frost the first week of November seemed unlikely until I heard about El Nino.

El Nino is a weather pattern that forms periodically in the eastern Pacific Ocean. It is the

reversal of the trade winds and the warming of the surface water in the ocean. The warmer water produces more humidity, and, therefore, more moisture in forming clouds.

These conditions usually touch off unusual weather in regions all over the world. Even Wall Street pays attention. Commodities prices rise and fall according to the doings of El Nino.

Our weather changes as fast as the Stock Market, and El Nino is already behaving abnormally. But I'm predictable. The past few days have been cool and rainy and I did the same thing I did during those 100 degree days. I curled up and read.



Eunice Choate
Columnist

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WEDDINGS

BRITO-GRANT

Sally Brito and Joseph Bradley Grant exchanged wedding vows on Sept. 17, 1997, with Gary Lynn Grant officiating.

She is the daughter of Joe and Teresa Brito, Big Spring.

He is the son of Linda Grant, Coahoma, and Jimmy Wayne Grant, Big Spring.

The bride wore a knee length purple dress with gold.

She carried a white bouquet with purple flowers and greenery.

Maid of honor was Tracie Dawn Watson, and best man was Robert Grant, uncle of the groom.

The bride's cake was a white sheet cake with purple flowers and a glass groom and bride centerpiece.



MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH BRADLEY GRANT

The groom's cake was a German chocolate cake.

The couple will make their home in Big Spring.

ESTES-TIMMINS

Tracey Dawn Estes and David Howard Timmins, both of Dallas, were united in marriage on Sept. 19, 1997, at Dallas Garden Center at Fair Park with Rev. John Thornburg, pastor of Northhaven United Methodist Church in Dallas, officiating.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Estes, Big Spring, and the granddaughter of Mrs. E.W. Winters, Big Spring.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Timmins, Dallas.

They couple stood under a flower-covered arbor on the lawn banked with flower beds in front of the Meadows fountain.

Instrumentalists were the Solid Brass Trumpet Duo, Virginia Dupuy was the vocalist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an elegant gown of white herringbone taffeta and English net. The moulded bodice was sleeveless and featured a scoop neckline. The full gathered skirt of English net was embroidered with a flower motif and fell in soft gathers to the floor. She wore a headpiece of fresh white sweet peas with seed pearls and an imported illusion that flowed beyond her fingertips.

She carried a bouquet of roses in shades of cream and apricot, pink and white French tulips, woodruff lilies, pink stock and baby's breath.

Maid of honor were Heather Farris, niece of the bride, Mansfield, and Kelly Kutch, niece of bride, Mesquite.

Bonnie Laurie Timmins, sister of the groom, Chicago, Ill., Debbie Pierce, Dallas, and Harriet Heckel, Dallas, were bridesmaids.

Ringbearer was Kevin Scott Kutch, nephew of the bride, Mesquite.

Best man was Tom H. Timmins, father of the groom.

Christopher D. Timmins, brother of the groom, Talent,



MRS. DAVID HOWARD TIMMINS

Ore., Michael Martin, Dallas, Bruce Hurley, Houston, and Brett Spector, Houston, served as groomsmen.

Serving as ushers were Brant Ford Farris, nephew of the bride, Mansfield, Mark Herrmann, Dallas, John Sloan, Shreveport, La., and Whit Martin, Dallas.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Dallas Garden Center at Fair Park.

The wedding cake was a four tiered Italian cream cake with cappuccino icing with fresh hydrangeas decorating the layers.

The groom's cake was a carrot cake on a tri-level wrought iron cake stand.

The bride is a graduate of Big Spring High School, Southern Methodist University and St. Mary's School of Law. She is employed by Gardere and Wynne, L.L.P. in Dallas.

The groom is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin and Washington and Lee University Law School. He is employed by Gardere and Wynne, L.L.P. in Dallas.

Following a wedding trip to Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, the couple will make their home in Dallas.

Copy can't compare to original

"Notorious." Janet Dailey. Harper Paperbacks, New York, New York. May, 1977. 377 pages. \$6.99.

"Sweet Revenge." Nora Roberts. Bantam Books, New York, New York. June, 1997. 376 pages. \$6.50.

During August, 1997, Janet Dailey publicly admitted that she plagiarized small sections of Nora Roberts' 1988 book "Sweet Revenge" into sections of her recently published romance novel "Notorious." This inexcusable and unacceptable action stunned readers as Dailey has apparently been very successful on her own, and from all appearances should have been able to rely on her own talents and past experiences.

Dailey's "Notorious" is a fairly typical romance with a western flair. Eden Rossiter had been accused of killing the brother of the owner of the ranch adjoining her own. At trial, she was found innocent, but Duke Depard held her responsible and vowed to see that her efforts to succeed at running her own Spur Ranch would fail.

The focus of Eden's life is trying to survive the rugged life in Montana, and having Depard thwart every effort she makes.

While Eden struggles to find a way around Depard and his men to get her cattle to market, Kincaid Harris appears in town looking for work. Unbeknownst to anyone, Kincaid is on a mission of his own as he joins the crew at Eden's Spur Ranch. Kincaid becomes a vital part of the ranch team, but at the same time he is developing a desire to have more than a working relationship with Eden.

Adding confusion in Eden's life is her brother Vince.

Vince is deeply in debt because of his gambling. While he encourages Eden to sell out to Depard, he underhandedly tries to force her hand by keeping Depard informed of her business plans.

Dailey's writing is succinct and concise, and the story has enough suspense to keep the reader interested. However, the characters all seem rather one-dimensional. Their conversations are much the same, repeated in different settings and to different characters. Eden's focus seems too intense to be real, and Kincaid keeps his secrets and feelings too well hidden. The abrupt ending is surprising, as it seems to come right in the middle of the climax. It leaves the reader with too many unanswered questions, and nothing about which to ponder.

Nora Roberts' "Sweet Revenge," recently reprinted in paperback form, is basically a romance, but it is written in a more complex and elaborate form. Born in Jaquir, Adrienne is the daughter of a Bedouin king. Her mother was a beautiful and famous American film star who gave up her career for the love of this foreign man; with her marriage, she also gave up a public persona and became a part of the king's harem. Even though she was his first wife, she became an embarrassment to him because

she could not bear him a son. Soon their relationship deteriorates, and as a small child, Adrienne witnesses the terrible physical and emotional abuse her mother suffers at the hands of her father.

Fearful of the King's actions, Adrienne and her mother flee to America and the safety offered away from the Bedouin world. As years pass, Adrienne uses her wits and intelligence to provide for her ailing mother. Even though she is aware that her father has disowned her as a daughter, Adrienne harbors an obsession to possess one item left behind in Jaquir. Her plans and actions in obtaining this object offer the reader ample opportunities to be absorbed in danger and perilous situations, and to enjoy how others manage to live "on the edge."

Roberts is skillful about using information and facts of different cultures and histories to help in developing her characters. In "Sweet Revenge" she offers many colorful passages about duties, customs, and rituals of the Arab world. While the reader may not want to agree with the perceptions and beliefs found there, Roberts writes in such an empathetic manner that it allows some understanding of philosophies and doctrines.

Of the two books, "Sweet Revenge" is in many ways better written and has a more elaborate and complicated plot, but "Notorious" is a pleasant way to pass a few hours.

Ratings: "Notorious" (**) two out of four = Cure for insomnia

"Sweet Revenge" (***) three out of four = Entertaining and worthwhile



Pat Williams
Paperback Book
Reviewer

NEWCOMERS

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

John and Lori Pudliner, and daughters Meghan, Ingrid, Gretchen, and Madison, Ulysses, Kan. He is employed by Energas.

Art and Ann Sinclair, Sherman. He is a family counselor for Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Trinity Memorial Park.

Yatin Chachad, Ph.D, Detroit, Mich. He is employed by Fiberflex Inc.

Hervey and Angelo Samaniego, and son Samuel, San Angelo. He works for Price Construction.

Katrina Carrasco, San Angelo. She is employed by Forsan ISD.

Ruben and Alice Sanchez, Odessa. He works for Wal-Mart. Laverne Mivea, son Macus and daughter Naketha, San Angelo. She does housekeeping.

Tommy and Diann Bottoms, and daughter Christy, Mullin. He works for Del Mar Drilling.

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IN THE MILITARY

Spec. 4 Ben T. Gonzales has completed two and a half years in the U.S. Army at Fort Benning, Ga., and returned to Big Spring Friday. He plans to enter the U.S. Army Reserves. He is the son of Lupe and Joel Lopez.



GONZALES

Pvt. Mike Ditmore graduated from basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, Calif., on Sept. 19. He will be going to the school of infantry at Camp Pendleton, Calif., then to Security Forces.



DITMORE

He is the son of James and Vicki Ditmore, Big Spring, and the grandson of MSGT Stephen and E. Gay (USAF Ret.), Mrs. Shirley Gay, Big Spring, and Hilliard and Joyce Ditmore, also of Big Spring. He is a 1997 graduate of Big Spring High School.

Air Force Cadet Rawley M. Mims has been placed on the Commandant's List at the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo., for military excellence with a 3.0 or better grade point average at the end of the semester. Mims is the son of Rickey D. and Brenda E. Mims of Stanton. He is a 1995 graduate of Grady High School, Lenora.

Priests try to end Sunday soccer games

MILWAUKEE, Wis. (AP) — The pew or the practice field? It's a choice some clergy say no soccer mom, dad or kid should have to make — and the reason for a plea asking coaches and youth organizers not to schedule games on Sunday mornings.

"It used to be that people had respect for Sunday morning," said John Sumwalt, pastor of Wauwatosa Avenue United Methodist Church, one of 22 area clergy who have signed a letter asking for Sunday-free soccer.

The Rev. Gary Erickson, pastor at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, said youth soccer "kind of dominates everything and gives us a back seat. I think it's about time to get back to what's healthy and what's good."

But the complaint from the clergy ignores other religions — and doesn't reflect most parents' views, said Mark Botterill, executive director of the Milwaukee Kickers Soccer Club, where 11,000 youngsters ages 5 to 19 play each weekend. He said he has switched games from Saturday to Sunday to accommodate Jewish parents. But there are few complaints from parents at all, he said.

"We don't hold anybody hostage that they have to be at the event," he said.

GETTING ENGAGED

Amy Lynne Gray and Calvin Ray Garrard will exchange wedding vows on May 8, 1998, at St. Paul Lutheran Church with Rev. Kohl officiating.

She is the daughter of Ron and Lana Gray, Big Spring, and Linda and John Olson, Austin.

He is the son of Frances and Robert Reagan, Big Spring.

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"Sally" 2-year-old spayed, white cat with grey head and tail, female.

"Maggie" 4-month-old female Tabby with a black and grey swirl pattern on her coat.

"Cassie" 1-year-old female Calico, spayed, grey/orange/white.

"Faerie" 1-year-old spayed female, white, very sleek and beautiful.

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.

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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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MR. AND MRS. BOBBY HOGUE, THEN AND NOW

Bobby and Della Hogue celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary earlier this summer with a dinner party at the Stratosphere in the Top of The World Revolving Restaurant in Las Vegas, Nev., hosted by their daughters and sons-in-law. They were also presented with a Memory Book compiled by their daughters and families at a family dinner Sept. 23, 1997.

He was born in Big Spring, and she was born as Della Killough in Big Spring. They met in June of 1946 through mutual friends on a double date.

They were married on Sept. 23, 1947, in the home of close family friends, Judge Walton and Mary Morrison in Big Spring. They have three children, Tanis and Paul Rinard, Trisha and Rick Cauble, and Goldia and the late Troy Hogue.

They also have six grandchil-

dren. Mr. and Mrs. Hogue lived in Tucson, Ariz., during their first year of marriage and have lived in Big Spring since.

They are both retired. Previously he worked for Cosden Oil 23 years. She was a teacher of young children for more than 40 years and had her own preschool day care.

They are affiliated with the 14th & Main Church of Christ. Mr. Hogue served in the Marines for two years. They enjoy traveling in their RV along with Philip and Faye Gressett and Charles and Linda Rupard.

This was their comment about their 50 years of marriage, "Marriage is ordained of God and that his blessing alone can make it what it should be. Having love and respect for each other along with a precious family throughout the years."

ON THE MENU

SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER LUNCH

MONDAY - Chicken; rice; mixed vegetables; salad; milk/rolls; fruit.
TUESDAY - Ham; macaroni/cheese; mixed vegetables; pineapple rings; milk/rolls; cookies.
WEDNESDAY - Smothered steak; potatoes; green beans; fruited gelatin; milk/rolls; apple crisp.
THURSDAY - Chicken; rice; vegetable salad; corn on the cob; milk/bread; fruit.
FRIDAY - Roast beef; potatoes; peas & carrots; tossed salad; milk/rolls; fruit.

BIG SPRING SCHOOLS

LUNCH ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY
MONDAY - Barbecue rib sandwich; potato rounds; green beans; mixed fruit; milk.
TUESDAY - Pepperoni pizza; potato wedges; vegetable sticks; sliced peaches; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Nacho grande (Chef salad/crackers); corn; pinto beans; orange; milk.
THURSDAY - Chicken nuggets (Meatball sandwich); scalloped potatoes; English peas; pineapple tidbits; hot roll; milk.
FRIDAY - Cheeseburger (Green enchiladas); French fries; salad; pinto beans; corn bread; ice cream bar; milk.

GARDEN CITY SCHOOL

LUNCH
MONDAY - Chicken fried steak; gravy; scalloped potatoes; green peas; cookie; batter bread; milk.
TUESDAY - Chalupas; cheese;

lettuce and tomato; Spanish rice; banana pudding; taco shells; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce; black-eyed peas; cheese sticks; tossed salad; peanut butter bar; garlic bread; milk.
THURSDAY - Ham and cheese pockets; French fries; corn; broccoli; fruit cup; milk.
FRIDAY - No school.

SANDS SCHOOL

LUNCH
MONDAY - Hotdogs with chili; pork & beans; French fries; cake or fruit; milk.
TUESDAY - Fish with tarter sauce; macaroni & cheese; June peas with carrots; pudding; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Beef & cheese tacos; pinto beans; salad; corn bread; fruit or cookies; milk.
THURSDAY - Steak fingers with gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; jello; hot rolls; milk.
FRIDAY - Pizza; salad; corn; fruit or cookies; milk.

FORSAN SCHOOLS

LUNCH
MONDAY - Frito pie; Rancy Style Beans; salad; lemon tart; milk.
TUESDAY - Pizza; corn on the cob; salad; cookies/cream; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cheese burger pocket; Fritos; salad; cinnamon rolls; milk.
THURSDAY - Soup/sandwiches; chips; salad; Rice Krispie Treats; milk.
FRIDAY - Student holiday.

COAHOMA

LUNCH
MONDAY - Tacos; salad; carrot sticks; refried beans; cherry cobbler; milk.
TUESDAY - Baked cheese sandwiches; fries; corn; fruit; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Country fried steak; gravy; peas & carrots

macaroni & cheese; finger rolls; milk; fruit.
THURSDAY - Pizza; salad; tater tots; fruit cup; milk. Teachers only - Baked potato or salad. Call in.
FRIDAY - Turkey with brown gravy; corn on cob; red potatoes; bread; fresh fruit; milk.

GRADY SCHOOLS

LUNCH
MONDAY - Pizza; corn; fruit; dessert; milk.
TUESDAY - Steakfingers; mashed potatoes; green beans; rolls; dessert; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers; French fries; fruit; dessert; milk.
THURSDAY - Beef fajitas; beans; fruit; dessert; milk.
FRIDAY - Ham sandwiches; chips; desserts; milk.

STANTON

LUNCH
MONDAY - Cheeseburger or hamburger; French fries; hamburger salad; sherbert; mixed fruit; milk; fruit drink or tea.
TUESDAY - Country steak or chicken nuggets; mashed potatoes/gravy; broccoli/cheese; peaches; hot roll; milk; fruit drink or tea.
WEDNESDAY - Beef taco or corn dog; western beans; lettuce/tomato salad; pineapple cup; cornbread.
THURSDAY - Bake chicken or stir-fry beef; steamed rice; corn; vegetable sticks; fruited gelatin; hot roll.
FRIDAY - Sandwiches or hot dog/chili; potato chips; pork & beans; fruit wedges; cookie.

WESTBROOK

LUNCH
MONDAY - Chicken fried steak; creamed potatoes; green beans; biscuits, syrup, honey; milk.
TUESDAY - Baked turkey; scalloped potatoes; broccoli with

cheese; hot rolls; applesauce; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Chalupas; tossed salad; corn; apple crisp; milk.
THURSDAY - Chicken quesadillas; lettuce/tomato; corn; peaches; milk.
FRIDAY - Sandwiches; lettuce/tomato/onion/pickles; French fries; goodie bar; milk.

ELBOW SCHOOL

LUNCH
MONDAY - Pizza; salad; corn; fruit; milk.
TUESDAY - Hamburger; potato wedges; salad; pickle; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Steak; mashed potatoes; green beans; fruit; hot roll; milk.

THURSDAY - Beef fajita; refried beans; salad; fruit; milk.
FRIDAY - no school.

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STORK CLUB

Alyssa Brooke Doucette, girl, Sept. 12, 1997, 5:21 p.m., eight pounds 13 ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Billy and Melissa Doucette, Snyder.
Grandparents are Billy and Jackie Doucette, and Donna Parrish, all of Snyder.

Frank Andrew Montemayor, boy, Sept. 11, 1997, 6:45 a.m., six pounds 4 1/2 ounces and 20 1/4 inches long; parents are Frank and Barbara Montemayor.
Grandparents are Elaine McCurdy, Cooter McCurdy of Big Spring, and Andrews and Teodora Rodriguez, Big Spring.

Angelina Vanessa Hernandez, girl, Sept. 11, 1997, 2:11 p.m., six pounds two ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; parents are Angela Candelaria and Geno Hernandez.
Grandmother is Corinne Cervantes, Big Spring.

Nathan Saige Viasana, Sept. 11, 1997, 3 p.m., seven pounds nine ounces and 20 inches long; mother is Mary Galan.
Grandparents are Carmen and Lupe Viasana, Big Spring.

Lydia Nicole Rose Smith, girl, Sept. 9, 1997, 1:39, nine pounds five ounces and 21 1/2 inches long; parents are Gene and Nikko Smith.
Grandparents are Larry and Shirley Patrick, Walsenburg, Colo. and Eugene Smith, Cheyenne, Wyo.

MacKenzie Kade Kennedy, girl, Sept. 25, 1997, 12:48 p.m., seven pounds 8 1/2 ounces and 20 1/4 inches long; parents are Angela and John Kennedy.
Grandparents are Dickie and Barbara Murphy and Robert and Sheryl Kennedy, all of Big Spring.

Toby Ray Blackshear, boy, Sept. 25, 1997, 2:31 p.m., eight pounds 3 1/2 ounces and 21 inches long; parents are Cameron and Ramona Blackshear.
Grandparents are Mike and Ann Garcia, Tony and Pat Vines, all of Big Spring, Dealy Blackshear, Russellville, Ark., and the late H.C. and Opal Blackshear.

Brandy Marie Mier, girl, Sept. 22, 1997, 12:04, seven pounds 14 ounces and 19 inches long; parents are Humberto Mier, Jr., and Irene Rodriguez.
Grandparents are Humberto Mier, Sr., Elean Mier, Alfonso Rodriguez and Rosalinda Rodriguez.

Brook Lynn Peterson, Sept. 23, 1997, 8:01 a.m., seven pounds 2 1/2 ounces and 19 inches long; parents are Mike and Amy Peterson.
Grandparents are Mike Peterson, Ashtabula, Ohio, Terri Pearson, Ashtabula, Ohio, and Bob and Donna McGaffin, Jacksonville, Fla.

Jon Nicholas Bermea, boy, Sept. 23, 1997, 8:20 a.m., eight pounds 14 1/2 ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; parents are Mike and Ramona Bermea.
Grandparents are Fred and Sandy Castillo and Juan and Dora Bermea, all of Big Spring.

Isiah Anthony Yanez, boy, Sept. 22, 1997, 5:18 p.m., six pounds one ounce and 20 inches long; mother is Angelique Yanez.
Grandparents are Prospero

Yanez and Sally Rojas, both of Big Spring.
Destiny Mariah Hernandez, Sept. 19, 1997, 9:54, six pounds 4 1/2 ounces and 19 inches long; parents are Jesse Hernandez and Melissa Guzman.
Grandparents are Tom and Brenda Guzman, Mickey Hernandez and Carmen Hernandez, all of Big Spring.

Talia Mier, girl, Sept. 18, 1997, 1:07 p.m., 10 pounds one ounce and 21 1/4 inches long; parents are Ruben and Jennifer Mier.
Grandparents are Isidoro Galan, Jr., Linda Galan, and Shelia Mier and Frank Mier.

Brandee Lea Castillo, girl, Sept. 17, 1997, 3:12 a.m., six pounds five ounces and 19 3/4 inches; parents are Mr. and Mrs. Victor and Tricia Castillo.
Grandparents are Theodore and Virginia Diaz and Fred and Sandy Castillo.

Ryan Marcus Billingsley, boy, Sept. 12, 1997, 6:44 p.m., six pounds 7 1/2 ounces and 19 1/2 inches long; parents are Tarah Diliberto and Jameson Billingsley.
Grandparents are Johnny and Darlene Tidwell and Danny and Debra Heckler, all of Big Spring.

Benjamin Charles Haggard, boy, Sept. 13, 1997, 5:46 p.m., eight pounds 5 1/4 ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; parents are Jeffrey and Mandy Haggard.
Grandparents are Gloria and Charles Ussery III and Rick Haggard and Ollie Castanuela.

WHO'S WHO

Rosalinda (Rosey) Paton, CMA, earned the Certified Medical Assistant (CMA) credential by passing the June 1997 American Association of Medical Assistants' Certification Examination.
Paton is a graduate of the medical assisting program at Bryan Campus in Detroit, Mich., and is employed by Scenic Mountain Medical Clinic with Dr. C. Mercado and Dr. M. De La Vega.

Chelsea Schwartz, 12 year old daughter of Floyd and Martha Schwartz of St. Lawrence, was recently chosen as the first place winner in the Permian Basin Fair Talent Show Finals in the 8-12 category.
She and her dance partner, Taylor Fritschen of Midland, performed a tap dance to "That's Entertainment."
They received a first place trophy and \$150.
Chelsea is a seventh grader at Garden City Junior High.

Mandy Calhoun, a 1995 graduate of Coahoma High School, was chosen one of 26 girls to compete in the Miss Chilympiad Pageant at the Hays County Civic Center in San Marcos on Sept. 19. The competition included evening gown and swimsuit.
Calhoun is a senior at Southwest Texas State University, San Marcos. She is a member of the Delta Gamma Sorority and maintains a 3.5

average. She plans to graduate by August of 1998, with a bachelor's in Business Administration.
She is the daughter of Rebecca Calhoun, Coahoma, and the granddaughter of Royal and Anne Mills, Coahoma, and Howard and Jessie Calhoun, Big Spring.

Srinand Mandyam of Big Spring, a graduate of Big Spring High School, is a member of the 1997 freshman class at Austin College.
Austin College, 60 miles north of Dallas, is a 148-year-old private liberal arts college related by covenant to the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Women's Care Update

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

POSTPARTUM MOOD DISORDERS

Postpartum mood disorders are among the most common obstetric complications. There are three general categories: Postpartum blues, affecting an estimated 70% of women during the first week after delivery, consists of a weepy, irritable episode lasting several days that usually goes away after a few days of rest and support. On the other end of the spectrum, postpartum psychosis progresses quickly from irritability to irrationality. This condition, which affects about 1 woman in 1,000, most often in the first 4 weeks after delivery, requires immediate medical attention. Postpartum depression, which lies between blues and depression and typically begins in the first 3 months after birth, requires medical attention if it lasts more than 2 weeks.
Whether your mood is altered by exhaustion from the last weeks of pregnancy, sleep deprivation from round-the-clock care of a newborn, or by the big hormonal shift after your pregnancy ends, if you are weepy or depressed, you must mention this to your obstetrician. If you speak up, your doctor can probably help. Most of all, don't be embarrassed: not only is this condition common, but your doctor will NOT interpret your blues or depression as an indication that you don't love your baby. I have enjoyed bringing these educational columns to you. As of 31 October, I and my columns will no longer be available in Big Spring or Midland. Good luck with your OB/GYN care in the future.

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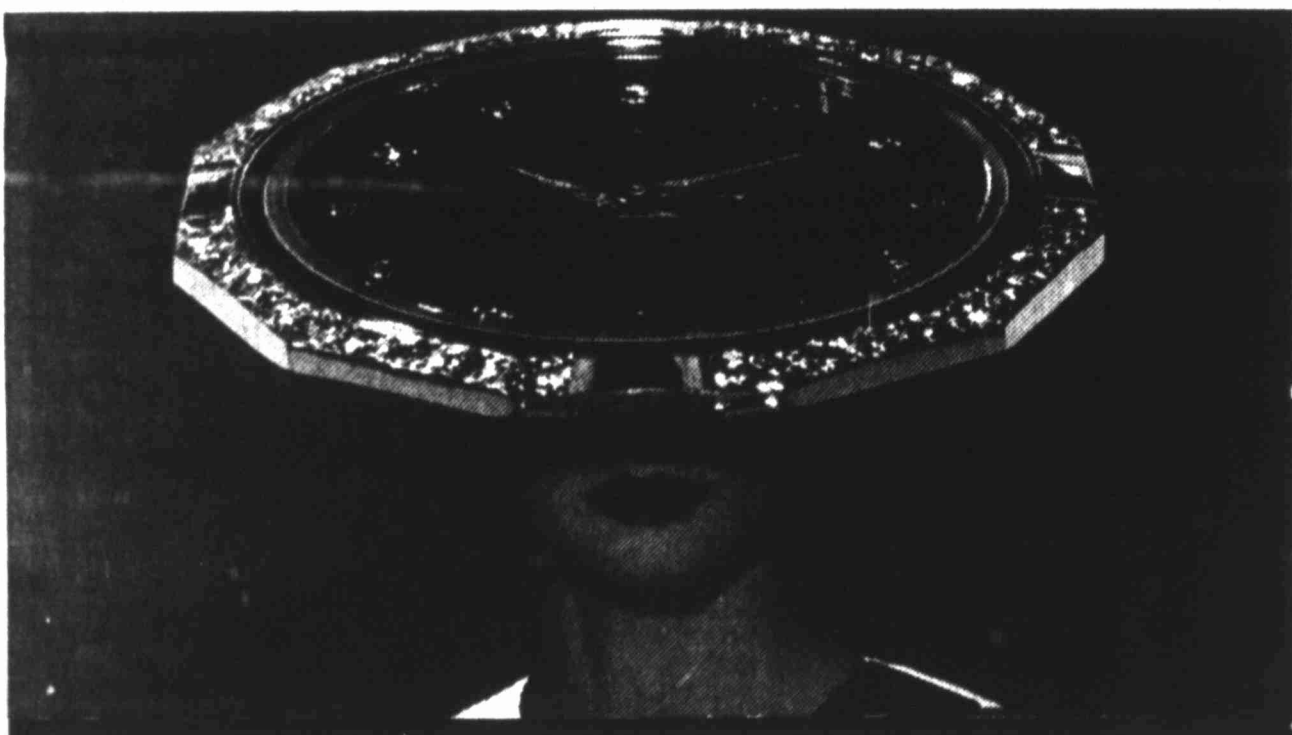
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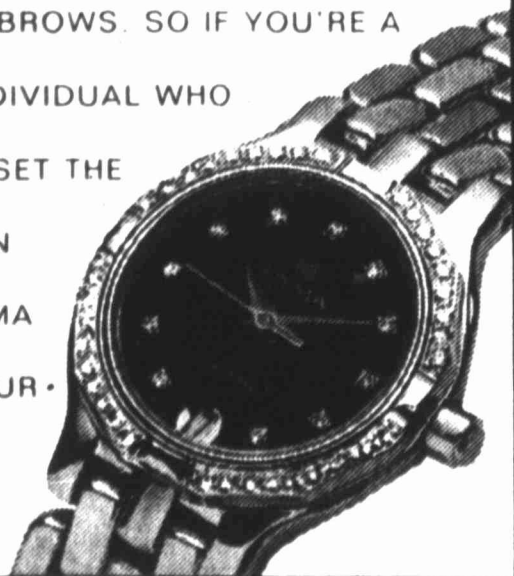
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Loyce is a graduate of Post High School and Texas Tech University with a B.S. as well as a Master's degree. Her major is Elementary Education and she teaches first grade at Kentwood Elementary.

Loyce is married to Charles Phillips and they have one son and one daughter, as well as two wonderful granddaughters.



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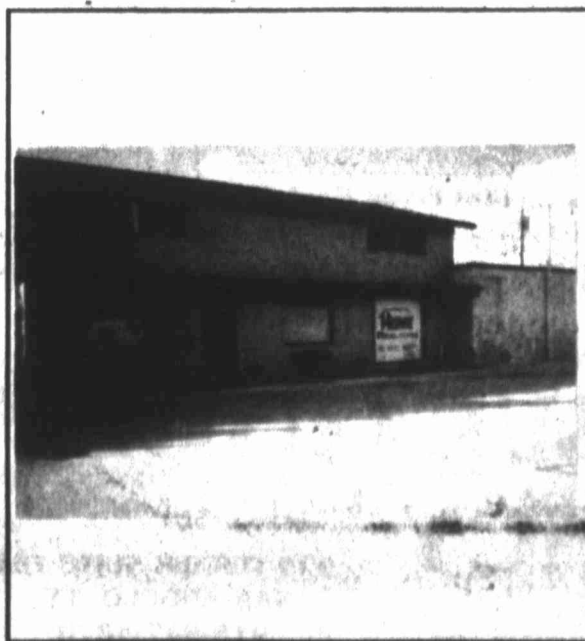
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Kay has been a licensed real estate agent since 1976 and received her broker's license in 1979. Her designations include Graduate, Realtors Institute of Texas (GRI) and Certified Residential Specialist (CRS). She serves in various offices and holds memberships in several professional organizations. She was appointed by Gov. George Bush to serve as a member of the advisory committee for the Texas Real Estate Research Center. She currently serves as a director of the Permian Basin Board of Realtors. She also takes part in many community organized and sponsored activities.



Kay's staff is made up of eight sales associates and three secretaries. The sales associates are Don Allen, Shirley Burgess, Joe Hughes, Leah Hughes, Doris Huibregtse, Broker, Linda Leonard, Charles Smith, and Mary South. The secretaries are Linda Alexander, Tammie Paige and Tracey Wofford.

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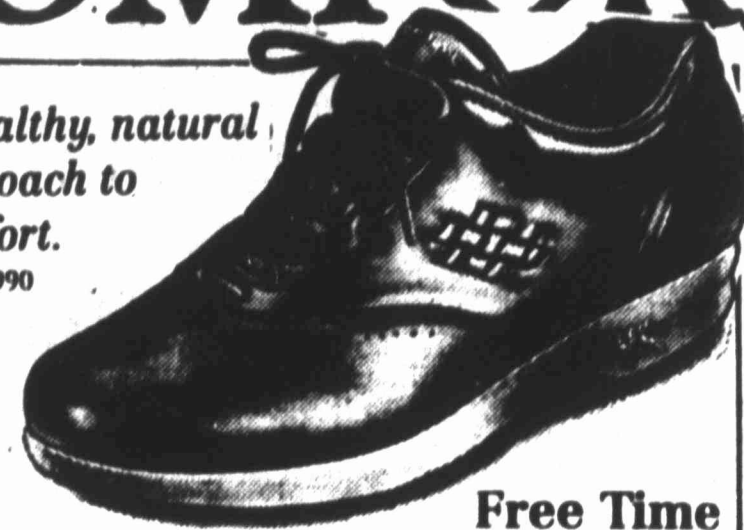
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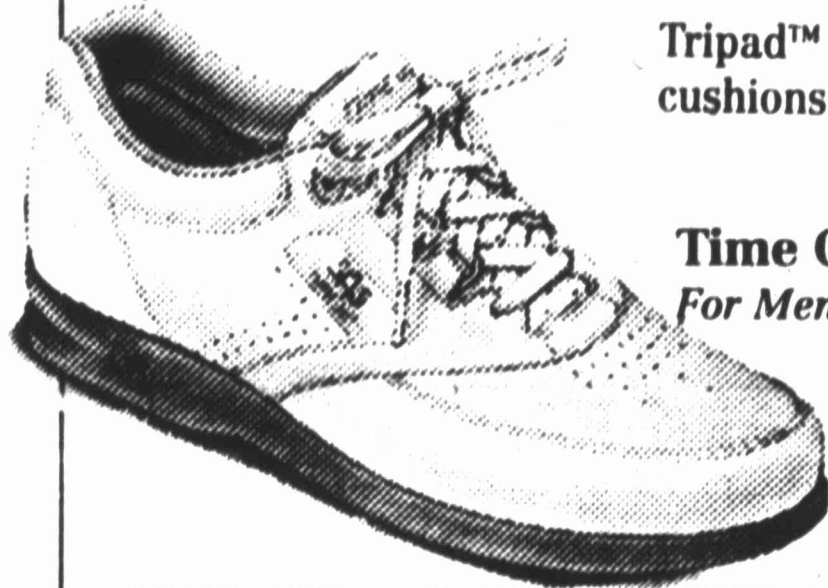
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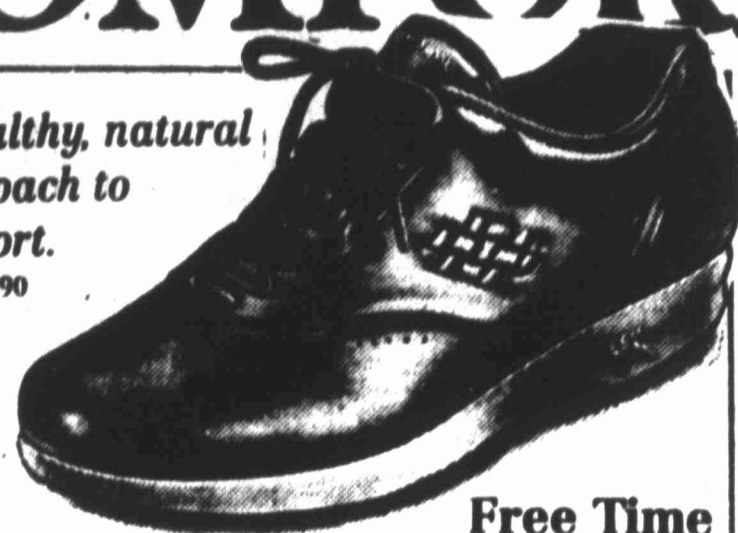
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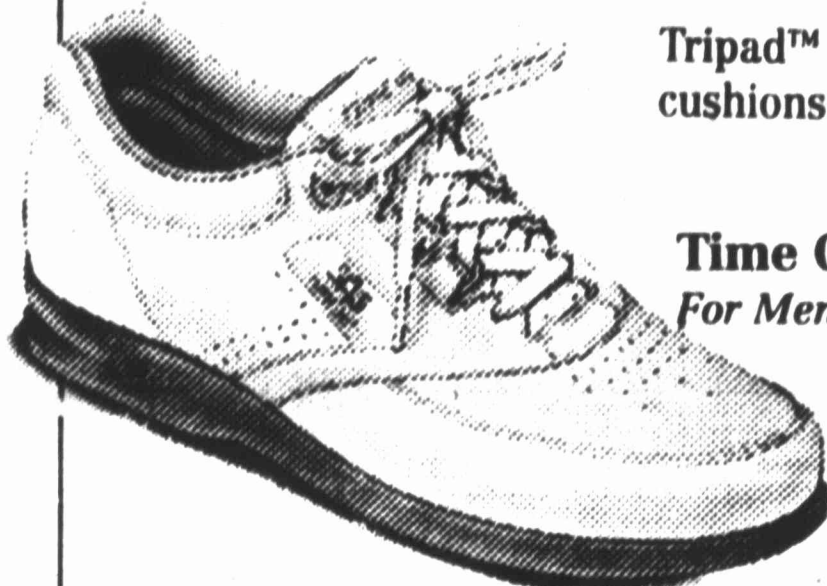
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Holland now known as Stoneville Texas Inc.

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

The name is not the only thing that has changed at Roy Holland's business.

The former Holland Cottonseed was recently purchased by Stoneville Pedigreed Seed Co. of Mississippi and now goes by the name of Stoneville Texas Inc.

And while Holland, his son Jearl and production manager Lynn Gannaway are still around to run the facility, the new owner has instituted some changes.

For starters, the company no longer performs custom delinting for customers. To accentuate that fact, company trailers used for the task were auctioned off Thursday.

But the company will continue to do what it became noted

for — research, development and sales of new cottonseed varieties. And Holland said the company's new owners should make operations better than ever.

And the company will still perform some delinting, meaning that downsizing is not an option.

"(Stoneville) is bringing in a lot of cotton seed from Arizona for us to delint," Holland said. "We'll have the same number of employees as before, and maybe even more."

Holland said he had been in negotiations with Stoneville for about two years. The two firms attempted to form some sort of partnership, but Stoneville eventually opted for a total acquisition.

"They're going to be a great help," Holland said. "We wanted to get into the technological race (to develop new cotton

varieties), but we didn't have the financial clout to do that."

To help local efforts, Stoneville is transferring Steve Calhoun, a geneticist formerly at Mississippi State University, to Big Spring to help spearhead research.

The company's main emphasis, as always, will be the development of cotton varieties that are early bloomers.

"We've always specialized in cottons that mature earlier," Holland said. "That has always been significant to us and very important to West Texas farmers. We've got to have something that will get out quicker."

The company also plans to research different types of cotton which would not be adversely affected by herbicide. Also, Holland expects work to begin soon on a variety of seed that would be resistant to boll weevils.



Employees of Stoneville Texas Inc. are moving delinting trailers during the company's recent auction. Stoneville recently changed its name from Holland Cottonseed, the name under which it operated in Big Spring for many years.

MIXING AND MINGLING



Viola Baraza, Connie Voltz and Rosey Patton enjoy the chamber's third Business After Hours function of 1997 as they discuss various issues at Elrod's Furniture, the host of Thursday's business mixer.

Contractor overstated ability to service student loans

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Education Department and a contractor relied too heavily on technology to handle applications to refinance student loans, the department's inspector general said recently.

The system put in place by Plano, Texas-based Electronic Data Systems to handle the applications became overwhelmed after less than a year. Applications took months longer to handle than they should have.

Borrowers tried in vain to reach customer service representatives on the phone. Many borrowers fell behind on payments or missed the chance for mortgages, since many mortgage lenders require that former students refinance their loans.

The department had to quit taking applications late last month while it clears the backlog. That should happen by December, the acting deputy secretary of education told a House education sub-

committee. The deputy secretary, Marshall S. Smith, also apologized to the victims of delays "for the unacceptable quality of service they received." He outlined steps being taken to clear the backlog of 84,000 applications to refinance loans.

The department has said it received far more applications than it had expected.

The department's inspector general, Thomas R. Bloom, said EDS, in winning the \$160 million contract, overstated the ability of advanced technology to handle the job, which required much paperwork and personal contact with students and lenders.

The bid was much lower than the competition's, but EDS said its advanced technology could do the job.

"EDS's and the department's reliance on technology was apparently misplaced from the start, given the high degree of manual operation required in the consolidation process,"

Bloom said. "Problems developed from the start with this contract," he said, noting that the department employee who originally oversaw technical details of the contract didn't know that much about technology.

The company, founded by Ross Perot, received the contract in July 1995 and was supposed to start operations in January 1996. Startup was delayed until September 1996.

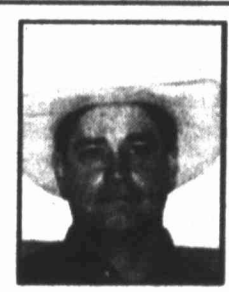
In July of this year, Bloom noted, refinancings were delayed for several weeks because of a \$900,000 overpayment to a loan guarantee agency. More duplicate payments followed in August.

"The process caught that," said Randolph Dove, an EDS spokesman.

"The important thing is we're working with the department," he said. "We're re-engineering the process and we'll do whatever it takes to make this program work for these students."

Cooler temps mean planning for fall, winter lawn care

With cooler temperatures being prevalent, now is the time to begin planning for lawn care. One of the biggest problems in lawn care is weed control. Weed control is a constant problem in Big Spring due to winds constantly introducing a new weed seed source.



David Kight
County Agent

The best defense of a weed free lawn is a healthy thick dense cover of grass. There are two types of herbicides: Post-Emergence and pre-emergence. Pre-emergence herbicides kill weeds germinating from seed and prevent their establish-

ment. Post-emergence herbicides kills weeds after they are actively growing.

Winter weeds include rescue grass, broadleaf winter weeds, wintergrass or rye grass can be best controlled with a Pre-emergence herbicide applied in September. Best control of broadleaf winter weeds such as thistle, mustards and prickly lettuce can be achieved by using a Pre-emergence application in September also.

Nutgrass is another weed frequently seen in West Texas lawns. There are two types of nutgrass - yellow and purple nutsedge. The nutsedges are difficult to control due to the food reserve stored in the nutlet. Image is the best chemical for treatment and it will take several applications to get nutsedge under control.

The following table can be used to determine which chemical you need and the brand name of the product in which

the chemical can be purchased:

Pre-emergence weed control:

- Weed-Rescue Grass, chemical-Benefin, product name-Balan.

- Weed-Winter Weeds, chemical-Bensulide, product name-Betasan.

Post-emergence weed control:

- Weed-Nutgrass, chemical-Imazaquin, product name-Image.

- Weed-Sandburr, chemical-MS MA (Bermuda only), product name-Several brands.

- Weed-Rescue Grass, chemical-Glyphosate, product name-Round-Up.

For more information on this or other agricultural or home-owner information, please contact the Howard County office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at 264-2236 or come by the offices located in the basement of the Howard County Courthouse.

Texas Commerce to become Chase Bank of Texas in '98

HOUSTON (AP) — A well-known Texas bank will seem a little less familiar next year.

Texas Commerce Bank announced Wednesday that starting Jan. 20 it will be known as Chase Bank of Texas.

In 1987, Houston-based Texas Commerce merged with Chemical Banking Corp., and that company merged last year with Chase Manhattan.

The name change is meant to capitalize on worldwide recognition of Chase Manhattan, the country's largest bank, bank officials said.

"The Chase name has wonderful cache and we like it," Texas Commerce spokeswoman Debbie Siegfried said.

Chairman and CEO John Adams said the name change will bring "the additional product strength of Chase."

The change also will be made to clarify the relationship between Chase and Texas Commerce and to increase efficiency, Ms. Siegfried said.

"We're talking about bringing together resources and you avoid a lot of redundancy that way," Siegfried said.

"It's easier to identify with Chase now that we have their name," Adams added.

James Poteet, a professor who teaches a course in the history of Houston at the University of Houston, doesn't think the name change will bother too many Texans or prompt them to take their business elsewhere, since many banks and other local businesses already are nationalized.

"How many totally Texas-controlled banks are there as an option?" he said. "I don't

know if that many people are that chauvinistic anymore. I'm not sure that many people care anymore."

In May, the bank started putting the Chase logo next to the Texas Commerce logo on correspondence to customers. Texas Commerce and Chase each have about a million customers in Texas, Ms. Siegfried said.

"It was a good way to gauge how our customers would feel about it," she said. "Most of the feedback we got back was, 'So what?'"

Texas Commerce, which has 124 branches statewide, has been through several name changes over its 131 years. The most recent was on Jan. 20, 1970, when it went from Texas National Bank of Commerce to Texas Commerce Bank.

Independents ready to battle major producers

By HILLARY DURGIN

Houston Chronicle
HOUSTON — For Bobby S. Shackouls, running one of the largest independent oil and gas companies isn't enough. He wants to be in the same league as the majors — and he's well on his way to reaching that goal.

Burlington Resources is about to close its \$2.5 billion acquisition of Louisiana Land & Exploration Co., ranking it third in domestic natural gas reserves after Amoco Corp. and Exxon Corp.

The addition of key deepwater prospects in the Gulf of Mexico and properties overseas gives Burlington both the mass and the marketing muscle to make it competitive with both independents and major oil

companies.

"We wanted to create what we considered the first super independent," says Shackouls, president and chief executive officer at Burlington. "That's a company that has all the assets of a major," he noted. "But on the other hand, we'll be able to operate with the mindset of an independent."

Independent oil and gas companies, once considered niche players within the industry and on Wall Street, have finally come into their own.

In the past few years, as these companies have grown, management has become more sophisticated, and technological advances have improved business prospects.

And while independents have long wrestled with the stereotype of being self-promoting

swindlers and small, unstable candidates for investment, they are finally shattering that image.

Ten years ago, "You had this J.R. Ewing perception," says Mark Jackson, chief financial officer at Forth Worth-based Snyder Oil Corp. "People would look at people in the oil industry as that type of person unless you were an Exxon."

Today, "There's a much higher confidence level in the group. They are more sophisticated, they are global players a lot of the players have good track records, (and) the people that weren't successful have been merged into stronger companies."

In 1996, for example, domestic exploration spending by the independents far outpaced that by the major oil companies.

Now their outlays nearly equal that of majors within the United States.

And this year, many of the independents, which have aggressively expanded overseas and led majors into international projects, are stepping up spending abroad.

Over the past 10 years, the number of independents with more than \$100 million in equity capital has gone from a handful of public companies to more than 65, based on the universe of companies followed by Merrill Lynch.

Independents are further increasing their size and scope as they embark on a new round of mergers and acquisitions. Besides Burlington's acquisition, these include Mesa's recent acquisitions of Parker & Parsley Petroleum Co. and

Chauvco Resources Ltd., and the hostile takeover bid by Union Pacific Resources Group for Pennzoil Co.

In the past five years, the market capitalization of the top 25 largest independent oil and gas companies has more than tripled to \$55.9 billion from \$17.4 billion in 1992, according to John S. Herold, a Stamford, Conn. based energy research and consulting firm.

Five years ago, only a handful of companies had capital worth more than \$1 billion, including Anadarko Petroleum Corp., Burlington Resources, and Enron Oil & Gas Co.

Now this recent wave of mergers is ushering in a new group of "mega independents" with capital in the \$5 billion to \$10 billion range.

"My observation is that there

is a new target amongst the bigger independents," says Eric Grubman, co-head of Goldman Sachs & Co.' energy and power group in New York. "I don't think the goal is 1 to 2 billion dollars anymore. People are saying this is the age of the super independent and the goal is 5 to 10 billion dollars."

"It's not to get big just to be big," he notes. "They feel that to generate superior returns they need to venture into the frontier areas and in order to do that, they feel like they need to have bigger balance sheets."

Burlington Resources, for example, has been on an expansion drive since it was spun off from the Burlington Northern Railroad Co. in 1988. It has grown by picking up properties in the San Juan Basin.

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Craig Edward Frank, 47, and Fredi Elbene Reed, 41
Justin Rojas Rodriguez, 44, and Mary Helen Ybarra, 48
Billy Coreza McGee, 34, and Phyllis Annette Moore, 36
Robert Michael Kleck, 26, and Patsy Eileen Underwood, 23
Steve Kevin Green, 43, and Teresa Gail Myers, 40

County Court:
Court Records:
Order granting essential license: Jeanie M. Carr
Probated judgment possession of controlled substance: Charley D. Hunt \$500 fine and 365 days in jail
Revocation of probation & imposition of sentence: Johnny A. Martinez, Esther Gonzales, Anna Marie Moran
Judgment & sentence possession of marijuana under two ounces: Johnny A. Martinez \$200 court cost and 60 days in jail, Angela Dawn Willis \$500 fine, \$157 court cost, Freddy Leonardo Mora \$300 fine and 180 days in jail, Martin Mora \$200 fine and \$157 court cost
Probated judgment DWI: Robert Rios, Jr. \$450 fine and 180 days in jail, Ronald E. Robey \$500 fine and 180 days in jail, Joseph Lee Turner \$500 fine and 180 days in jail
Motion to dismiss revocation of probation: Russell Lee Henry, Jim Jason Coker
Probated judgment - deferred adjudication: Melissa G. Young, Rhonda Lea Short
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Probated judgment assault/family violence: Aniceto P. Aguinaga \$500 fine and 180 days in jail, Robert Keith Thompson \$300 fine and 180 days in jail
Probated judgment fail to identify: Rosario V. Guzman \$200 fine and 180 days in jail
Probated judgment DWLI: Percy Kidd Grayson \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Allen Dale Mince \$300 fine and 180 days in jail, Andrew Aguilar \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Daniel Emerson, Jr. \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Roy Glen Foster \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Christopher Valbuena \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Precilla Rodriguez \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Margie Marie Nunez \$250 fine and 180 days in jail
Order of dismissal: Benjamin Hilario, Joe Albert Yanez, Nicholas Loya, Danny Howard Silvers
Judgment & sentence theft over \$50/under \$500: Renea Kay Lewis \$250 fine and \$157 court cost
Judgment & sentence DWI: Ebb Smith, Jr. \$400 fine, \$287 court cost and 10 days in jail

Deed Records:
Warranty Deeds:
grantor: Busfer D. and Misty Gartman, Jr.
grantee: William F. and Julie Michelle Frey
property: Lot 4, save and except the east 3' thereof, and lot 5, blk. 10, Washington Place Addition
filed: Sept. 15, 1997

grantor: Judy Gillean Blair, Roscoe I. Gillean, Gaylan Gillean Cobb, Julia Mary Gillean Fisher
grantee: Daniel J. and Claudia Polylak, Jr.
property: Lot 1 and 2 and the west 20' of lot 3 less the south 1/8' of the east 130' of lot 2, blk. 10, Brennan Addition
filed: Sept. 15, 1997

grantor: Donald Frank Atkinson
grantee: Robby Atkinson
property: All of lot 12, blk. 19, Monticello Addition
filed: Sept. 15, 1997

grantor: Drusilla K. Lindsey
grantee: Patrick J. and Helen M. McIntyre
property: All of lot 6, blk. 11, Cole & Strayhorn Addition
filed: Sept. 15, 1997

grantor: Robert D. Miller
grantee: Humberto Vera
property: All of lot 3, blk. 2, Avion Village Addition
filed: Sept. 16, 1997

grantor: Gary Duane Jennings and Neal Jennings
grantee: A.J. and Violet Patterson
property: lot 6, blk. 7, Avion Village
filed: Sept. 18, 1997

grantor: Lyndon P. and Diane L. Mackey
grantee: Jeff and Stacey Childers
property: Lot 2, blk. 2, Barnes subdivision, a subdivision out of the northeast 1/4 of blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co.
filed: Sept. 18, 1997

grantor: Alvy J. and Ruth H. Stasler
grantee: Paul A. and Ann Townsend
property: lot 12, blk. 13, College Park Estates
filed: Sept. 19, 1997

grantor: Grady Cleo Teague, Jr. and Fayrene Teague
grantee: Benny and Jayne Mansfield
property: a 1.01 acre tract of land out of the west 1/2 of section 43, blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co.
filed: Sept. 19, 1997

Warranty Deeds with Vendor's Lien:
Grantor: Donald E. Hankins
Grantee: James Mark Ballou
Property: Lot 3, blk. 4, Sunset Place
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grantor: James W. and Gaye Ann Cowan
grantee: John F. and Karen K. Forks
property: All of lots 5 and 6, blk. 14, Edwards Heights Addition
filed: Sept. 15, 1997

grantor: Phillip M. and Mary Jewel Burcham
grantee: Randy D. and Kathryn D. Bennett
property: tract 1 - the surface estate only of a 0.56 acre tract of land, more or less, out of the north 1/2 of section 33, blk. 32, T-1-N, RR Co.; tract 2 - The surface estate only of a 200'x98' tract of land out of and part of section 33, blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co.
filed: Sept. 16, 1997

grantor: George C. and Bonnie J. Franklin
grantee: Bill R. and Shirley Davis
property: lot 12, blk. 27, College Park Estates
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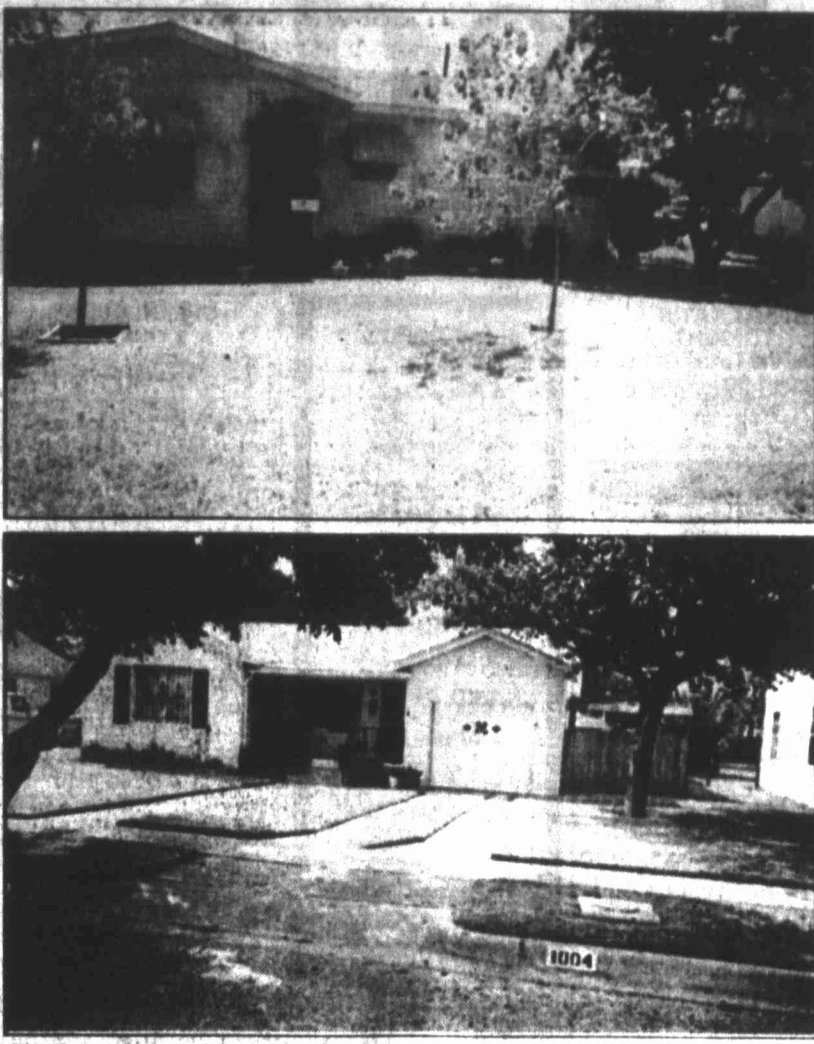
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grantee: J.M. and Janie Ringener
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filed: Sept. 18, 1997

grantor: John Paul and Lorri Anderson
grantee: Jimmy A. and Patricia N. Anderson
property: all of lot 12, blk. 2, Jordan Park Estates NO. 1, a 7.88 acre tract out of section 45, blk. 32, T-1-N, T&P RR Co.
filed: Sept. 19, 1997

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Lena Hearin vs. Randell P. Hearin
Melissa Elaine Brown vs. Bruce Daniel Brown
Accounts, notes & contracts:
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Providian National Bank vs. Tomasa Regalado
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Jody Saldivar vs. Paulita Martinez
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YELLOW ROSE CERTIFICATE WINNERS



Courtesy photos

Clockwise from top left, the residences of Janice Coats at 1613 Lark; Carlos and Amelia Ornelas at 206 N. Johnson; and Ruth Manuel at 1004 Bluebonnet were among the September winners of the city's Code Patrol "Yellow Rose Certificates" for the outstanding condition of their property. Winners are selected and presented a certificate on a monthly basis at city council meetings and are also given a plant courtesy of Johansen Landscape and Nursery.

More uses ahead for soybeans, corn

SENECA, Ill. (AP) — The future of soybeans just might be in crayons — or diesel fuel or kitchen countertops. Researchers have managed to make all those products from soybeans and are hurriedly thinking up others. Not to be outdone, corn researchers have transformed their crop into packing foam, golf tees, road de-icer and more — all in the hope of creating new markets and higher prices. Crop associations showed off the latest brainstorms Wednesday at the Farm Progress Show, the biggest agriculture trade show in the Midwest. Corn growers boasted about ethanol-powered trucks, while the soybean tent let families file past the world's largest crayon — 332 pounds of bright red soy product. So far, these innovative uses of traditional crops consume

just a sliver of the national supply. But farmers hope these new markets will grow, helping protect the agriculture industry from downturns in other markets. "If you fire a shotgun in the air often enough, you're going to hit something. That's what it's all about," said Greg Guenther, a Belleville farmer and vice president of the Illinois Corn Growers Association. The nation produces nearly 10 billion bushels of corn each year. Corn growers are emphasizing several products — a de-icer for airplanes and winter roads, packing peanuts for electronics, an ingredient for plastics — with the potential to use 50 million or 100 million bushels. "It would be nice to find something that could use 1 billion bushels of corn," but we

want a well-diversified market," said Rodney M. Weinzierl, executive director of the Illinois Corn Growers Association. "We don't want just one buyer because then they could set the price." Farmers seem excited about the array of new products, even if none seems likely to revolutionize agribusiness. "It's going to take a combination of a bunch of products," said Gerald Melliore, a Prairie du Rocher farmer who raises corn, beans and wheat. "You've got to start somewhere." Still, some people want to make sure the research yields products with a real chance of success. George O'Brien, a Wilmington farmer who raises corn and soybeans, cautioned against heavy investment in products such as ethanol that need government support to

succeed. "They're not going to do us any good if they're not cost-competitive," he said. Mary Auth, special projects director for the Illinois Soybean Association, said between 4 percent and 5 percent of the nation's 2.7 billion bushels of soybeans go to "alternative" uses. Wearing her "Soybeans — They're in Almost Everything" T-shirt, Auth said other countries gradually are building their agriculture industries. That makes it essential for the United States to lead the way in finding new ways to use all those crops, she said.

SO YOU WANT TO SELL FAST

JANELLE BRITTON

Sometimes it becomes necessary to sell a home in a hurry. Maybe you have taken a new job in another city, and you want the whole family there with you. Janelle Britton, Owner/Broker of Coldwell Banker Sun Country offers the following suggestions:

- Price your house a little below the asking price of other houses like it. When houses of the same general quality are for sale, the ones with the lowest prices usually sell first.
- Make your property look better than those competing with it.
- Give a decorating allowance to prospective buyers.
- Offer financial help by buying down the mortgage rate. The lower rate enables more buyers to qualify, and the payments are lower — advantages that offset the slightly higher price the buy down lets you ask for the house.
- Offer financial incentives, such as financing the loan yourself to get a buyer who might not otherwise qualify. This could be a good investment for you, too.
- Use a good real estate professional who knows the market and will work well for you. Good agents frequently have contacts with out-of-town buyers, and they work with other agents to find buyers. If you're moving out of town, a good agent can also put you in touch with an agent in your new community, and thus help ease your move. Keep in mind that a good real estate pro can sell your home even though you may have already moved to another city.

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Employers say immigration law creating labor shortage

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tighter enforcement of the nation's immigration laws is creating a potentially crippling shortage of farm workers willing to accept backbreaking seasonal jobs, employers told a House subcommittee Wednesday. They asked Congress to create a temporary program that would admit 25,000 foreign workers a year for a two-year pilot period to replace the illegal aliens now being weeded out of the work force. "I am here to tell you that our industry is beginning to feel the effect of Congress' effort to control persons from working illegally in this country," Bob L. Vice, a director of the National Council of Agricultural Employers and of the American Farm Bureau Federation, told the House Judiciary immigration subcommittee. An existing federal program that brings temporary and seasonal alien workers is not working, Vice said. The regulations are too costly, complex and time-consuming, and the decision-making process is widely perceived as arbitrary, he said. "To be frank, those who use the H-2A program do so out of desperation, not because it is viewed as an effective means of obtaining labor," Vice said. Furthermore, employers perceive the Labor Department as hostile, said James S. Holt, an agricultural economist working

as a consultant to the National Council of Agricultural Workers. "The program is administered in a highly adversarial fashion," he said. "The (department) regards H-2A applicants as potential, if not actual, law-breakers and acts as though its mission is to keep employers out of the program rather than to help them use this program which Congress provided." But two California Democrats on the subcommittee said they don't believe a labor shortage exists. Rep. Zoe Lofgren said unemployment rates now are in double digits in some areas of her Northern California district. "I just can't see any justification for having more ag workers whatsoever," she said. Requirement of the new get-tough welfare law probably will send more people out looking for jobs, said Rep. Howard Berman. Agriculture could

attract more workers by doing what other industries do when confronted with a labor shortage — improve wages and working conditions, Berman said. "This guest worker proposal is not about a labor shortage," said Bruce Goldstein, co-executive director of the Farmworker Justice Fund Inc. "It is about granting agribusiness a federal exemption from the economic laws of competition so that employers may impose sub-poverty-level wages and working conditions." The bill, introduced by Rep. Robert Smith, R-Ore., would admit aliens who intend to return to their countries after their jobs end. It would require employers to pay temporary aliens the "prevailing wage for similarly employed workers in the area of employment, and not less than the applicable federal, state or local statutory minimum wage."

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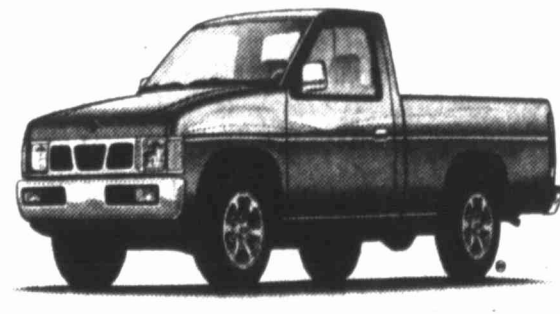
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REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION Sealed proposals for 1,000 km of reflective pavement markings at various locations in the Abilene District covered by C008-00-46 in Taylor County, etc., will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, 200 E. Riverside Drive, Austin, TX, until 1:00 p.m., October 8, 1997, and then publicly opened and read at the address specified in the invitation. It is the bidder's responsibility to ensure that the sealed proposal arrives at the above location and is in the hands of the letting official, by the specified deadline regardless of the method chosen by the bidder for delivery. Plans and specifications, including minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are available for inspection at the office of Lauren Gardino, P.E., Abilene, TX, and at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, TX. Bidding proposals are to be requested from the Construction and Maintenance Division, 200 East Riverside Drive, Austin, TX 78704-1205. Plans are available through commercial printers in Austin, TX, at the expense of the bidder. The Texas Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders that it will ensure that bidders will not be discriminated against on the ground of race, color, sex or national origin, in having full opportunity to submit bids in response to the invitation, and in consideration for an award. Usual Rights Reserved. 08 D 2009 08 76 0908 00 046 1555 September 21 & 28, 1997

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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS: TO: JUANITA BISHOP, DECEASED AND HAROLD D. BISHOP, DECEASED and any and all other unknown owners or persons, including adverse claimants, owing or having or claiming any legal or equitable interest in or lien upon the following described property delinquent to Plaintiffs herein, for taxes, to-wit: Lots Twenty-Two, Twenty-Three and Twenty-Four (22, 23, 24), Block Nineteen (19), Washington Place Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$1,737.92, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes all said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein. You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL. as Plaintiffs, against JUANITA BISHOP, DECEASED, ET AL. as Defendant(s), by Amended Petition filed on and pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the Texas number of said suit is T-95-114286 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not made parties to this suit, are NONE. Plaintiffs and all other taxing units who may set up their tax claims herein seek recovery of delinquent ad valorem taxes on the property hereinabove described, together with and including the day of judgment herein, and the establishment and foreclosure of liens, if any, securing the payment of same, as provided by law. All parties to this suit, including Plaintiffs, Defendant(s), and Intervenor, shall take notice that claims not only for any taxes which were delinquent on said property at the time this suit was filed but all taxes becoming delinquent thereon at any time thereafter up to the day of judgment, including all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law thereon, may, upon request therefore, be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file in said causes by all other parties herein, and all of those taxing units above named who may intervene herein and set up their respective tax claims against said property. You are hereby commanded to appear and defend such suit on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from and after the date of issuance hereof, the same being the 20th day of October, 1997, before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, and then there to show cause why judgment shall not be rendered for such taxes, penalties, interest, and costs, and condemning said property and ordering foreclosure of the constitutional and statutory tax liens thereon for taxes due the Plaintiffs and the taxing unit parties hereto, and those who may intervene herein, together with all interest, penalties, and costs allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment herein, and all costs of this suit. Issued and given under my hand and seal of said court in the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, this 5 day of Sept., A.D. 1997. Colleen Barton Clerk of the District Court, Howard County, Texas, 118th Judicial District, 1551 September 21 & 28, 1997

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR Bids The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting bids for the following PICKUP Specifications may be obtained from Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720. 915-264-5167. Sealed bids will be received until 10:00 a.m. on October 21, 1997 at which time they will be opened in the Administrative Annex and read aloud. The bids will then be tabulated and an oral award will be made at a future board meeting. Technical questions should be directed to Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, Howard College, 915-264-5175. Bidding questions directed to Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720. Bids received at Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 08/28 September 28, 1997 October 5, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT AND INVITATION BIDS Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and City Commission of the City of Big Spring, Texas, will be received at the City Council Chambers, 310 Nolan until 2:00 p.m. October 13, 1997 for alum sludge dewatering phase 2. Specifically, the project consists of removing alum sludge from the water treatment plant's sedimentation basin, dewatering the sludge and conveying the dewatered sludge into City owned trucks for disposal. Immediately following the closing time for receipt of bids, proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened. Bids will be tabulated and presented to the City Commission for award on October 14, 1997. Bidders must submit a Cashier's or Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Proposal Bond from a reliable Surety Company, payable without recourse to the City of Big Spring in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the largest possible bid submitted as a guaranty. The Bidder, upon closing time will be returned unopened. Bids will be tabulated and presented to the City Commission for award on October 14, 1997. Bidders must submit a Cashier's or Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Proposal Bond from a reliable Surety Company, payable without recourse to the City of Big Spring in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the largest possible bid submitted as a guaranty. The Bidder, upon closing time will be returned unopened. Bids will be tabulated and presented to the City Commission for award on October 14, 1997. 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