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Nearly 300 students to pick up their high school diplomas this weekend

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

Nearly 300 students of the class of '98 will toss their caps in four high school graduation ceremonies this weekend. Graduates from Big Spring, Garden City, Grady and Sands will celebrate the end of school days in commencement exercises held either Friday or Saturday night. Big Spring High School, marking its 94th annual graduation ceremony, will award 236 diplomas at 8 p.m. Friday in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum at Howard College. Valedictorian Angela Sturm,

Salutatorian Kelly Hollar and Senior Class President Traci Bellinghausen will be featured speakers. School board members Irene Bustamante, Mike Dawson, Steve Fraser, Larry Hollar, Frank Long, Larry McLellan and Al Valdes will present diplomas to the graduates. The program will conclude with the class of '98's rendition of "Dear Ol' Big Spring High." In Ackerly, Sands High School graduates will convene at the Sands High School Auditorium at 8 p.m. Friday. Following the processional and invocation will be the presentation of roses. Monte Kinney will give an address, fol-

GRADUATION SCHEDULE

Friday
7:30 p.m. — Glasscock
County
8 p.m. — Big Spring, Sands
Saturday
8 p.m. — Grady

lowed by speeches from Valedictorian Katie Gaskins and Salutatorian Hollie Zant. Diplomas will be presented by Dr. Donald Bryan, Joe Barnes and David

Zant. The program will close with the singing of the school song, a benediction and recession. Glasscock County High School ceremonies will take place 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Ruth Cook Auditorium. In Lenora, Grady High School will hold its ceremonies on Saturday night at 8 p.m. in the Billy B. Baker Auditorium. Borden County High School, Coahoma High School, Forsan High School and Stanton High School will all hold graduation ceremonies on May 29. A list of this week's graduates is below:

GLASSCOCK COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
Valedictorian: Paula Braden
Salutatorian: Bonnie Braden
Graduates: Misti Batla, Krystal Bell, Bonnie Braden, Paula Braden, April Bryant, Derek Dieringer, Jennifer Fuchs, David Garza, Suzanne Gilstrap, Jennifer Grimes, Starla Halfmann, Casey Hoch, Craig Hoelscher, Emily Martinez, Tiffany Maxie, Cecilia Mier, Albert Moreno, Brian Pelzel, Colby Pelzel, Ana Rodriguez, Brad Schraeder, Kamie Schwartz, Jeremy Scott, Sandra Sidon, Cindy Talamantes, Steven Trevin

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Budget cuts to take toll on park bike patrols

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Unlike its second year of bicycle patrols in Comanche Trail Park last year when the program was expanded, the Big Spring Police Department (BSPD) is looking at having to cut the program somewhat this summer because of budget cutbacks. The program was expanded last summer because of the good response from the public in 1996 and because the BSPD's presence in the park served as a definite deterrent to crime. In the past, the BSPD has compared the bicycle patrols to a foot beat, such as in major cities, but Big Spring does not have a downtown area that requires a foot beat. The bicycle patrol still gives officers a chance to get out and establish more one-on-one contact with the public, especially with the children of Big Spring. Because of the cutbacks, the BSPD will utilize the patrols one day a week this summer instead of the three nights a week last year. "This year, we're planning to use the bike patrol on Sunday's between 12 p.m. and 7 p.m.," according to BSPD Chief Lonnie Smith. As for how the program has been received, Smith said it has been excellent. "I think it was received very well by the public," Smith said. "Grade wise, I'd have to give it a B plus." Last summer, the program, which is funded through bud-



Big Spring Police Officer Javier Becerra tests one of the department's new bikes prior to the start of the park patrol last summer.

getted overtime, utilized 12 to 14 officers being paid on an overtime basis. Officers use Police Trek bicycles specifically designed for the type of patrols done at Comanche Trail Park. The specially made bicycles also come in handy during big events around town such as parades. The police bicycles with lights and a siren cost between \$700 and \$800. The cutbacks of the bike patrols is something that just

can't be helped, according to Assistant City Manager Emma Bogard. "Overtime is just high this year," Bogard said. "And the bike patrols are so vital to the park." A certain amount of overtime is budgeted by the city each year, according to Bogard, and the city thought it had enough to sustain the bicycle patrols this summer. Big Spring residents will be called upon this summer, as

well as anytime they notice anything unusual going on, to be more aware of their surroundings because of the cutbacks. One thing that already has the city worried is that for the second time, an unknown person or persons have gone into the park and ripped out all of the flowers and plants as well as the pump in the park's fountain, which was built by the inmates from Big Spring's Wilderness Camp.

Hot!

With no relief on horizon, May could become the hottest, driest month ever

By KATHY GILBERT
Staff Writer

With temperatures soaring past the 100-degree mark this week, May could turn out to be the hottest and driest month on record, the National Weather Service (NWS) said Wednesday. Temperatures are five degrees above normal this month, said Ray Fagen, a NWS meteorologist in Midland. And if no rain falls in the next 10 days, the month will be the driest since the weather service began collecting data in 1930. No record-setting May days have been reported, he added, but the mercury hit 100 degrees on May 14 and May 17, tying for hottest-ever awards with May 14, 1990 and May 17, 1996. "Back in June 1994 was the year we ended up getting the record highest temperature of 116 degrees," said Fagen, "so it's not as hot as that. But it's definitely warm." May total rainfall is .02 inches so far, he added. "Our record lowest rainfall for May is .06 inches, so if we don't get any more rain in the next 10 to 11 days, we'll have the driest May on record." The weather service confirmed that Big Spring hit the 101 degree mark Wednesday afternoon, while Midland temperatures were running several degrees lower.

While it's been unusually hot, the weather service has not declared a heat wave — yet. "We wouldn't say we're in a heat wave yet, but if the heat continues, I'll say it," said Fagen. Cooler temperatures and possible thunderstorms are predicted for this weekend, he added. Oddly, April was both cooler and drier, Fagen said. This April was only the third April on record with zero measurable precipitation. It was also about two degrees cooler, on average, than normal. In weather service projections for June through August, West Texas is predicted to have above-normal temperatures and normal precipitation, he added. Local farmers are hard-hit by the drought and heat, said Cadet Bryant, assistant manager of the Coop Gin in Big Spring. "To tell you the truth, we're not too sure what kind of crop we're going to have this season," he said. Farmers need 2 to 3 inches of rain in the next week to raise a crop, he said. "Everything just depends on getting some rain. It doesn't look too promising right now." Proving the adage that every cloud has a silver lining, the delay in planting this year will at least slow the boll weevils down, Bryant said. "It's helped that it's been so hot and dry that

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Safe and Sober Wave program begins Saturday

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

Driving at excessive speeds increases the risk of a car crash and not wearing a seat belt only increases the chance of people sustaining serious or fatal injuries in the event of a crash, but the Big Spring Police Department (BSPD) hopes to decrease those chances this weekend. The first wave of a special law enforcement program called the Safe and Sober Wave begins Saturday for the BSPD. This three-prong program is designed to insure drivers don't speed during the Memorial Day holiday period and that all drivers and passengers wear seat belts while traveling roads and highways. The Memorial Day sweep of the program runs from Saturday through Friday, May 29, according to BSPD Lt. Terry Chamness. BSPD will use two extra offi-

cers during this seven-day period in order to enforce speeding and seat belt laws. The program will also cover seven-day periods during the Fourth of July weekend and Labor Day. The Safe and Sober Wave is possible due to a \$6,000 law enforcement grant from the Texas Highway Traffic Safety Program from the office of Gov. George W. Bush. In the past with this program, according to BSPD Lt. Terry Chamness, the department has had three officers work specific holiday periods, concentrating on traffic violations of speeding and occupant protection (seat belts), but due to statewide budget cuts, funds for the program are less and the BSPD will only be using two officers as part of the program this year. Last year, BSPD officers issued 119 citations as part of the program. Also, pre and post program surveys were conducted last year, in conjunction with the program, and yielded the fol-

lowing results: speeding violations were decreased by 9 percent; seat belt violation by drivers were decreased by 14 percent; and passengers not wearing seat belts decreased by 33 percent. According to the BSPD, statistical facts on speeding indicate 55 people are killed every month in speed-related crashes. Sixty-percent of fatal injury crashes occur on roads with posted speed limits of 40 miles per hour or less and fuel consumption increases steadily with increasing travel speed above 45 miles per hour. Where seat belt use is concerned, 49 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Territories have enacted seat belt laws. Statistics for 1996 show that the overall seat belt use rate was 68 percent and 69 percent in 1997. In 1996, 32,317 people were killed in car crashes, which is 77 percent of the 41,907 traffic fatalities for the year.

The national Buckle Up America campaign has recommended new ambitious seat belt use goals to increase national seat belt use to 85 percent by the year 2000 and 90 percent by 2005. As part of the four-part plan, the campaign identifies enacting strong seat belt legislation by adopting primary seat belt laws as a strategy; building public-private partnerships; embracing active, high-visibility enforcement; and conducting well coordinated, effective public education efforts. By increasing the seat belt use rate from 68 percent to 85 percent would prevent an estimated 4,194 fatalities and 102,518 injuries annually. This reduction in injuries and deaths would also result in an economic savings of approximately \$6.7 billion. Increasing the seat belt use rate to 90 percent would prevent an estimated 5,536 fatalities and 132,670 injuries annually, and would save \$8.8 billion annually.

Local sales tax rebates increase by 10.3 percent

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

A total of 1,092 Texas cities and 118 counties, including the city of Big Spring and Howard County, recently received their May sales tax rebates, which totaled \$236 million. May's rebates is a 9 percent increase compared to May 1997's \$216.5 million and a 10.3 percent increase in the total amount of rebates issued through May of last year. Locally, the city of Big Spring received a May rebate of \$388,497.29, representing a 3.77 percent increase compared to May 1997, when the city received a rebate of \$374,360.78. Overall, Howard County, which includes the cities of Big Spring, Coahoma and Forsan,

received a May rebate of \$395,496.47, a 2.98 percent increase compared to May 1997. Coahoma's share of May rebates was \$5,210.45 which is a decrease of 27.29 percent compared to last year's \$7,166.20. Forsan's \$1,788.73 rebate was a 28.32 percent decrease compared to last May's rebate of \$2,495.62. Other local areas receiving May rebates included the cities of Andrews, \$72,909.97; Colorado City, \$44,517.32; Lamesa, \$94,786.92; Loraine, \$1,084.85; Midland, \$1,315,360.29; Odessa, \$1,096,115.25; Stanton, \$10,446.91; and Westbrook, \$655.52. May sales tax rebates to Texas cities totaled \$217.6 million, a 9.2 percent increase compared to last year.

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WEATHER

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Tonight, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of thunderstorms. Lows 65-70. Friday, partly cloudy and breezy. Highs 90-95. Friday night, fair. Lows in the upper 50s to mid 60s. Extended forecast, Saturday through Monday, partly cloudy. Lows in the lower to mid 60s. Highs 90-95.

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Newton: Chamber of Commerce finances in good shape

By CARLTON JOHNSON
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is excellent financial shape, according to Executive Vice President Terri Newton. For the first four months of 1998, ending April 30, the chamber received revenue in the amount of \$107,000 versus just \$68,000 in expenses. During Wednesday's meeting of the chamber's board of directors, President Ray Kennedy told board members that the

chamber still has a lot of work to do in preparing its accreditation report. "The accreditation committee met Monday and we still have some areas we need to address and some things we need to change," Kennedy said. One of the items that will be looked at as the accreditation process continues is the chamber's membership fee schedule. One possible idea to lure new members is to charge a flat fee and so much per employee. "We are also working on our bylaws," Kennedy said. "We

have some discrepancies and some things that are outdated." Some of the details to be worked out are minor where wording in the bylaws are concerned. One example is that the chamber has committees and not councils as it once did, which is one of the changes to be made in the bylaws. "By Aug. 21 we want to have submitted our report to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce," Kennedy added. Being accredited by the U.S. Chamber is important for sever-

al reasons, according to Newton. "The importance of accreditation is that we will be endorsed by the U.S. Chamber," Newton said. "They have certain guidelines we have to follow, which makes us a better chamber." "Because of their guidelines, we know if we have the proper programs to help our local businesses," Newton added. "It helps our businesses to know that someone's stamp of approval says we're doing things the

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OBITUARIES

Ramona Vasquez Service for Ramona Vasquez, 66, Big Spring, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. She died Wednesday, May 20, 1998, following a long illness.

Janice Virginia "Ginger" Davis Graveside service for Janice Virginia "Ginger" Davis, 54, Brownwood, formerly of Coahoma, will be 11 a.m. Saturday, May 23, 1998, at Trinity Memorial Park. She died Saturday, May 16, in Brownwood.

Jerry Don Stephens Jerry Don Stephens, 61, Big Spring, died on Sunday, May 17, 1998, in Irving. Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Friday, May 22, 1998, at The Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth, with Major Roy Tolcher, of The Salvation Army, officiating, assisted by Captain John Queener, of Irving. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Tommy Richardson, of McAllen, officiating.

afternoon, the Department of Public Safety office in Midland said. Alfredo Rodriguez, 20, was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident at 2:30 p.m. by Nolan Parker, Justice of the Peace for Martin County. Rodriguez was traveling north on Highway 349 about 18 miles north of Midland when he collided with an 18-wheeler driven by Kevin McCallister of DeWitt, Ark. McCallister stopped to wait for a survey crew, said Linda Cheek in the Midland DPS office. Rodriguez, driving a 1990 Saturn, was unable to stop in time. His vehicle ran under the truck. No charges have been filed, as the deceased is at fault, said Cheek. Rodriguez was wearing his seat belt. Trooper Jason Hester of Big Spring and Corporal Miles Tollison of Stanton handled the accident.

Local man assaults child while out on bond for same offense

A Big Spring man who was out on bond for the aggravated sexual assault of a local child, was arrested for indecency with a child, including sexual contact Tuesday, the Howard County Sheriff's Office said. Edward Hildreth, 34, was released on \$10,000 bond Tuesday, Sheriff's Department records show. Hildreth was also arrested March 23 on charges of aggravated sexual assault of a child. He has been out on \$50,000 bond since that date. A complaint filed with the office of the Justice of the Peace, alleges that on January 26 Hildreth sexually assaulted a 6-year-old girl, identified only as "Jane Doe." A medical examiner's report and a child protective services statement included in the complaint state that physical evidence supports the charge. Hildreth, a white, 5-foot, 4-inch, 135 pound construction worker, lives at 1905 Wasson Road, and works at Lee George Construction, according to Howard County Sheriff's Department records.

CHAMBER

The submission to the U.S. Chamber on Aug. 21 will include rating, written comments, recommendations and exhibits to its accrediting board. Two of the upcoming events impacting the chamber include the business seminar scheduled for June and the July 3 Pops in the Park concert at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater. Chamber Vice President for Retail Development Amber Rich said details for the June seminar will be finalized this week and will feature guest speaker Liz Lowery, Howard College division director for general studies. The topic of the June seminar is "Customer Service and Communications Skills." The chamber will also host a business seminar in September featuring nationally known speaker Dr. Nate Booth. Booth will also speak at the chamber's second community luncheon, also scheduled for September. As for the July 3 Pops in the Park concert, the Big Spring Symphony Association, City of Big Spring, chamber of commerce and the Big Spring Herald is presenting a free Pops in the Park concert at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheater to kick off this year's Independence Day celebration. According to Mel Prather, chamber vice president for tourism, the Fourth of July Foundation has raised approximately \$22,000 of the \$27,000

budget needed for the celebration. Also, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's second Business After Hours gathering of 1998 is set for 5 p.m. Thursday, June 25 at Warren Chiropractic, according to Rich. The first Business After Hours function of 1998 was hosted at Franklin and Son Tire and the remaining 1998 Business After Hours schedule includes functions at Harris Lumber and Hardware and Mason Lawn and Garden. Participants attending Business After Hours functions are encouraged to come with plenty of business cards because the gatherings are designed for networking and showcasing event sponsors. The average gathering draws approximately 150 participants and last about an hour and a half, according to the chamber.

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Continued from Page 1 it's kept the farmer's from planting earlier," he explained. Most farmers will be planting their crops this week, he added, despite bulletins from the Agricultural Extension Service in College Station that hay farmers without irrigation can expect to have poor crops this year unless it rains in the next few days. Mid-May is the normal planting time, said Bryant. Insurance companies require farmers to plant before the 10th of June. "You can still get a pretty good crop out if you plant about the first of June," he added. "We're in the process right now of what you'd call 'dry planting,'" said D.L. Newton, a local cotton and alfalfa farmer. "Time's going to get us, so we started planting a little bit of it dry." Newton is planting about 1200 acres of cotton this week, then plans to wait to see whether the skies open up in time to produce a crop. Irrigated alfalfa fields are also affected he said, "It's like watering your lawn. You can't get enough water out of a sprinkler - we need a little bit of rain."

GRADUATES

Continued from Page 1 GRADY HIGH SCHOOL Valedictorian: Sarah Rivas Salutatorian: Marti Mims Graduates: Macario DeLaRosa, Juan DeLucas, Trey Harrell, Jessica Holloway, Levi Johnson, Ruth Lopez, Marti Mims, Huberto Montoya, Tanya Moreno, Brady Peugh, Sarah Rivas, Veronica Rivas, Cheyenne Romine, Gary Thigpen SANDS HIGH SCHOOL Valedictorian: Katie Gaskins Salutatorian: Hollie Zant Graduates: Keele Barnes, Jerrod Beall, Brent Burns, Jacob Calvio, Anthony Cantu, John Casas, Robert Cisneros, Robin Cisneros, Nikki Daniel, Mendi Floyd, Jason Froman, Katie Gaskins, Andrea Gillespie, Peggy Hernandez, Josh Long, Ricky Medina, Jesus Porras, Brandon Ramey, Marla Reed, Sandra Velasco, Jason Wiley, Hollie Zant. (EDITOR'S NOTE - The list of Big Spring High School graduates was not provided in time to be included in today's edition. The list will appear in Sunday's Herald.)

BRIEFS

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LOOKING FOR BSHS CLASS OF 1978! Mark your calendar for July 24-25. Parents or friends of any classmate, please send updated addresses of any classmate to: 1978 Reunion; P.O. Box 3361; Big Spring; or call 264-2220 Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

THE AREA AGENCY ON Aging needs volunteer ombudsmen in Big Spring nursing homes to visit and monitor nursing home residents. A new training session is being scheduled. Call the Permian Basin Area Agency on Aging at 1-800-491-4636.

THE CITY OF BIG Spring is offering swimming lessons for ages 4-adult starting June 2. There are morning and evening sessions. The cost is \$25 for eight lessons and you need to go by the city pool and sign up. The pool opens Memorial Day.

THE HOWARD COUNTY LIBRARY'S summer reading program begins May 26. Movies, special guests and informative programs planned throughout the six-week period are designed to encourage children to read. All those who participate, and read at least 10 books, will be invited to a special party at the beginning of July. Special guests, movies and crafts are planned from 10-11 a.m. each Monday through Thursday during the six-week program. Call the library at 264-2260 for more information.

SPRINGBOARD

TODAY •Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. •Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon. •Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classed, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., 55 and older. •Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center senior cafeteria. •NA meeting, 8 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. •Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron Long, 267-8715. •Rackley-Swords Chp. 379 Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road. •American Legion Post 506, 7 p.m., Call 263-2084. •Senior citizens dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., Canterbury, 1700 Lancaster. There is a \$3 cover charge and the C.W. & Co.

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 0, 5, 2 LOTTO: 9, 18, 25, 32, 34, 35 Band will provide the music. All seniors invited. FRIDAY •Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

MARKETS

July cotton 66.70 cents, up 84 points; July crude 14.44, up 26 points; Cash hogs steady at 50 cents lower at 45.50; cash steers steady at 64; June lean hog futures 61.50 down 32 points; June live cattle futures 65.17, up 5 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation. Other markets were unavailable to us by press time.

RECORDS

Wednesday's high 101 Wednesday's low 71 Average high 88 Average low 60 Record high 106 in 1939 Record low 48 in 1967 Precip. Wednesday 0.00 Month to date 0.01 Month's normal 1.87 Year to date 2.78 Normal for the year 5.67

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday: •VICKI ANNETTE CASTRO, 40, was arrested for revocation of probation. •EDWARD LEE HILDRETH, 34, was arrested for indecency with a child/sexual contact.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday: •CALVIN TAYLOR, 36, was arrested for public intoxication. •LITTLE LAWRENCE, 21, was arrested for driving while license invalid. •KENNETH CONWAY, 37, was arrested on county warrants. •FREDDIE EASTMAN, 48, was arrested for public intoxication. •WELDON CUNNINGHAM, 18, was arrested for evading arrest. •STEVE SANFORD was arrested for public intoxication. •GERALD ROSS, 33, was arrested for public intoxication. •ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE reported at the police station. •BURGLARY OF HABITATION reported in the 200 block of W. Ninth. •THEFT reported in the 1100 block of Lamesa. •FORGERY reported in the 500 block of the Lamesa

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HERALD Staff Report An Odessa resident died in a two-vehicle accident Tuesday

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NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory 906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

Jerry Don Stephens, 61, died Sunday. Services will be 10:00 AM Friday at The Salvation Army. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Janice Virginia "Ginger" Davis, 54, died Saturday. Graveside services will be 11:00 AM Saturday at Trinity Memorial Park.

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Amnesty International, immigrant rights groups decry abuses by INS

McAlLEN (AP) — Armando DeLeon wept up when he recounted his son's two-day ordeal to get home after he was deported to Mexico despite being a U.S. citizen.

Romeo DeLeon was stopped at a Harlingen bus station by a Border Patrol agent who demanded to see his papers. Romeo DeLeon showed the agent his Social Security card and photo identification. The agent determined that the documents were no good.

Later, after he was denied a phone call and asked to sign a paper he didn't read, Romeo DeLeon was sent to Matamoros. It took two days before he made it back across the border on foot.

Now the man is suing the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and his father says the case is indicative of an overall problem.

"I want the abuse to stop," Armando DeLeon said Wednesday at a news conference and rally Wednesday in honor of Esequiel Hernandez, killed a year ago by U.S. troops patrolling the border. "Please, no more abuse."

Armando DeLeon was joined by human and immigrant rights advocates, including representatives from Amnesty International, the Immigration Law Enforcement Monitoring Project, and the American Friends Service Committee's Immigration and Law Enforcement Monitoring Project.

Amnesty gave out copies of its report on human rights abuses by INS agents along the U.S.-Mexico border. The report was first released in Mexico Tuesday night.

"We are here today ... to send a strong message," said Kerry

McGrath, deputy director for Amnesty International's regional office in Atlanta. "We want these officials to know that the world is watching."

The Immigration Law Enforcement Monitoring Project also released a report that documented 331 abuses by immigration officials from January 1997 to April 1998.

The group said the number of abuses has increased since the implementation of Operation Rio Grande, which funneled more Border Patrol Agents to the border, starting with Brownsville.

ILEMP documented 139 incidents of abuse from January to August 1997 — the kickoff of Operation Rio Grande — and 192 abuses from September 1997 to April 1998.

The abuses included physical and verbal abuse, sexual harassment, denial of due process and

seizure or destruction of property.

Amelia Acosta, director of the Centro de Apoyo a Migrantes in Reynosa, Mexico, also said her group has documented 300 cases of human rights abuses from April 1997 to March 1998.

"(Immigrants) are treated like delinquents or murderers, not like people who need to survive," she said.

Acosta said some U.S. citizens are among those who have been victimized.

"Their sin is looking (Mexican) and the same happens with legal residents or citizens descended from (Mexicans)," she said.

Border Patrol McAllen sector chief Joe Garza reasserted Wednesday that few allegations of abuse are made against his agents and even fewer, if any, are substantiated.

"We are not criminals," he

said. "We are law enforcement officers."

Garza said agents are obligated to report abuse accusations, and all complaints made to his office are forwarded for investigation.

He disputed the image of the Border Patrol outlined in the reports, which depicted agents as routinely abusive toward immigrants.

"That is not the Border Patrol I work for," said Garza, a 29-year veteran. "The Border Patrol is not the enemy."

As the advocates presented their reports across the street from the Border Patrol's McAllen sector headquarters, demonstrators carried flags and placards on the sidewalk.

Rita Escobedo of Mission joined the United Farm Workers in protesting Wednesday, yelling and singing at passing cars while waving

the red union flag. Born in Mexico, Escobedo has been a U.S. citizen for three years.

"Now that I'm a citizen, I'm protesting on behalf of immigrants," she said. "They shouldn't abuse us. We're people, not animals."

Little mention was made Wednesday of Esequiel Hernandez, the 18-year-old from Redford, Texas, who was shot and killed by a Marine patrolling the border on May 20, 1997. Cpl. Clemente Banuelos, who said he shot Hernandez in self-defense, was cleared by two grand juries.

Maria Jimenez, of the American Friends Service Committee, said Hernandez's death spurred a "fight to uphold democratic institutions."

"The pain hasn't gone away (for the Hernandez family) because they have seen no justice," she said.

Small town companies take big hit as oil prices reach 9 1/2-year low

By CHRIS NEWTON
Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Many small, independent oil companies are watching their prospects dry up as crude oil prices plunge to their lowest level in nearly a decade.

While consumers are enjoying low prices at the gas pump, Bill Beach of Midland said his oil drilling company is on the brink of stopping all current projects.

"It's as bad as it has ever

been," said Beach. "It's going to break us ... it's going to break everybody this time."

This week, oil future prices fell to a 9 1/2-year low as U.S. inventories reached their highest level in five years. Experts say the surplus has driven the prices down.

And while the major oil companies can boost prices on other services to recoup some of their lost revenue, small, independently owned companies don't have that luxury.

"We can make revenue from one place — the well-head," said

Rex Fuller, a Lubbock independent.

"What happens is: your cost doesn't change and your revenue drops. It doesn't take a

genius to figure out what happens when those two things take place," he said.

John Day, a professor of petroleum engineering at Texas Tech

said Texas' small oil towns might not see relief for another few months.

"A lot of the problem is tied to politics, so it's hard to say when

things will change," Day said. "The only thing that is certain is that there are a lot of companies that won't survive much longer at this rate."

BRIEFS

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ALICE — A settlement has been reached in a lawsuit filed against a hospital, four doctors and three laboratories after a veterinarian died from a rare monkey virus.

Bill Pollock died in 1991 after he contracted a virus known as herpes B.

His widow, Carolyn Pollock, will receive \$515,000 and their daughter, will receive \$26,780 under terms of the settlement announced Tuesday. The daughter, Elizabeth Grace Pollock, was born two months after Pollock's death.

Pollock contracted the virus, which is apparently benign in monkeys but can be deadly in humans, while working at the Texas Primate Center in Alice. That's a breeding facility that supplies monkeys for biomedical research.

Mrs. Pollock filed the lawsuit in 1963 against Spohn Health System, Spohn Kleberg Hospital, Dr. Gilberto Sosa Jr., Dr. James R. Geddes, Dr. Steve Pearson, Dr. Michael Bullen, Hazelton Laboratories, Metpath Inc., and Corning Lab Services.

HOUSTON — His impression of "The Great Escape" was a poor man's version of a famous Harry Houdini trick.

But Jeffrey Lamar Roland's impressive swim into Clear Lake — with both his hands and feet shackled — only had him locked down again when the show was over.

Just two months after he slipped out of his cuffs and into a courthouse crowd while awaiting trial, Roland, 30, was in custody again on a battery of charges including armed robbery, kidnapping, assault and, of course, escape.

Roland had led investigators to the Watergate Yacht Club on Clear Lake Wednesday, with a promise that he could find evidence that would link a Harris County Sheriff's deputy to his March 16 escape.

But it appears that the evidence was a fiction and Roland's story a ruse to get near one of his former residences, located by the yacht club, Harris County Sheriff's Department Maj. Juan Jorge said.

DALLAS — One of two men accused of kidnapping, torturing and killing a mentally challenged Arlington woman says members of at least four families will be harmed if he gets the death penalty.

"I'm not saying who, what, when or where," confessed killer Robert Neville Jr. said in a one-page handwritten letter to The Dallas Morning News.

"I can only tell you it's four families or more. If my life is spared, their lives will be spared. But if my life is over, so is theirs."

Neville, 23, said he doesn't want to serve more than 30 years and will harm the families if he is sentenced to die.

Since there is nothing legal that can be done to save his life, he said, "I have done something illegal to save my life."

HOUSTON — More than three weeks after his heart was removed, repaired and replaced in a historic operation, Guy Altmann is eager to resume life as a normal 20-year-old college student.

"I feel a lot better than when I came in," Altmann, a soft-spoken Texas A&M student from Covington, La., said after walking out of Houston's Methodist Hospital on Wednesday.

After speaking briefly with reporters, Altmann and his mother, Teresa Keyser, were whisked to the airport in a limousine provided by the hospital and hopped a plane home.

On April 27, doctors used chemicals to still Altmann's heart, removed and iced it down and cut away a lemon-sized malignant tumor that was popping in and out of his mitral valve with every beat.

Altmann probably would be dead by now without the surgery, said Dr. Michael J. Reardon, who performed the "autotransplant" with chief of surgery Dr. John C. Baldwin. It's thought to be the first time a patient with a malignant tumor has survived the surgery.

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One ticket takes all in \$195 million Powerball lottery drawing

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — One gambler — out of the millions of dreamers who waited in hourlong lines or drove into the next state in hopes of winning big — beat Powerball's 80.1 million-to-1 odds.

A ticket sold in southern Wisconsin for Wednesday night's Powerball jackpot drawing, worth a world-record \$195 million, was the only winner,

Partners

Veteran officers to be buried together after being murdered

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Partners on the job, two veteran homicide detectives killed by an ex-convict who slipped from his handcuffs will be buried at a joint funeral service.

Ricky Childers and Randy Bell were killed Tuesday during the worst day of police bloodshed in more than two decades in Florida. Their funerals are scheduled for Saturday.

James Crooks, a Florida Highway Patrol trooper, also was shot and killed during the rampage and will be buried Friday.

Law enforcement officers mourned their fallen colleagues Wednesday — leaving flowers, cards and lighted candles outside police headquarters in front of a black marble memorial to slain officers.

"You don't ever get over it. You learn to cope with it," police Chief Bennie Holder said.

Hank Earl Carr's six-hour killing spree across three Florida counties Tuesday ended in Brookville when he released a gas station clerk he had taken hostage. He shot himself in the head as a SWAT team closed in.

Bell and Childers were shot by Carr as they took him to police headquarters for questioning in the shooting death of his girlfriend's 4-year-old son.

He slipped out of the handcuffs with a small handcuff key and likely reached between the front door and seat, grabbed Childers' 9 mm Glock from his left shoulder holster and shot him in the head, police spokesman Steve Cole said. He shot Bell as the detective tried to get at the gun.

Holder said he didn't know where Carr had concealed the small handcuff key, but he always carried it with him.

Carr, 30, initially identified himself to police as Joseph Bennett, the dead child's father, and said the rifle accidentally fired as the boy dragged it along behind him.

During questioning by Bell and Childers, he admitted he was holding the weapon when it went off. He said the shooting was an accident and agreed to go back to the house to walk through what happened.

On the trip to the station, Carr's hands were cuffed in front and he was put in the back seat of an unmarked car.

"I'm not going to sit here and criticize what these officers did and what they did not do," Holder said in response to questions about how Carr was handcuffed.

After killing the detectives, Carr grabbed a rifle from the trunk of the car, hijacked a truck and fled north. He killed Crooks, 23, the Florida Highway Patrol trooper who tried to stop him and wounded a truck driver before barging into the gas station.

Florida Department of Corrections records show Carr was sentenced to prison in 1986, 1988 and 1989 on 16 offenses, including burglary, forgery, grand theft, cocaine possession and battery on a law enforcement officer.

Bell, a father of five, was a police veteran of 21 years. Childers, who had two children, served for 20 years.

lottery officials announced this morning.

The winning numbers were 4, 9, 30, 34, 48 and Powerball 8.

The winner's identity was not known. The big ticket was sold in Walworth County, Wis., at a store about 5 miles across the state line from Illinois, a non-Powerball state.

Pat Penio, owner of the Lakeside Country Store in Pell Lake, where the winning ticket was purchased, said customers of her grocery and delicatessen suggested that if someone locally should win, the payoff should be shared with the community of 1,200.

"We've had all sorts of promises from lunch in Paris to

putting in our new sewer system in Pell Lake," she said.

It was the second time the Powerball planets aligned and pointed at Wisconsin in a major way: The previous record jackpot of \$111.2 million went in July 1993 to Leslie Robbins and Colleen DeVries of Fond du Lac, about 85 miles north of Pell Lake.

The winning player in Wednesday's drawing chose to receive an immediate payout, which means the ticket is worth \$104.3 million. The full jackpot would have been paid out over 25 years — at roughly \$7.7 million a year.

Wednesday's jackpot was originally estimated at \$175 million,

but that was revised shortly before the drawing to \$195 million after record sales.

The consolation prize in Wednesday's drawing wasn't too shabby: There were 57 players who matched five numbers but not the Powerball for a \$100,000 prize.

Charles Strutt, executive director of the Multi-State Lottery Association, which operates Powerball in 20 states and Washington, D.C., said more than 72 million tickets were sold Wednesday in the Powerball states.

"They're coming all the way from Memphis and from Arkansas," said Hattie Vines, manager of the Chevron gas sta-

tion in Delta, La., just across the state line from Vicksburg, Miss.

Richard Meinen of Toledo, Ohio, drove 80 miles west to Angola, Ind., to buy a ticket. "The jackpot got so big we couldn't ignore it," Meinen said.

Doug Orr, the Multi-State Lottery's marketing production coordinator, said 138.5 million of the \$1 tickets were sold between Sunday and 59 minutes before Wednesday's drawing.

Indiana, which is bordered on the east and west by states where Powerball is not played, reported sales of 11,000 per minute.

The dispatcher at the

Walworth County sheriff's office, who would give only her first name, Kathy, found no joy in coming at least geographically close to winning the massive jackpot.

"I guess I'll still be working tomorrow," she said.

Powerball is played in Arizona, Connecticut, Delaware, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Mexico, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Wisconsin, West Virginia and Washington, D.C.

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Do you have a story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 236.

Local woman receives rare doctorate in physics at Texas Tech

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Tony Myrick Saucy wasn't sure what her future held back in the early 1980s, when she dropped out of Howard College to have her first child.

The Big Spring High School graduate returned to Howard a few years later, and then went on the Texas Tech, finishing her bachelor's degree 12 years after high school.

Her plan had been to become a high school math teacher, and she and a friend drove to Lubbock for their classes. Friend Jack Tonn did complete his teaching certificate and now works in the local school

district.

Saucy, however, had changed her mind. She joined a master's program at Texas Tech, earning a prestigious fellowship, and on May 9, she graduated with her Ph.D. in physics. Now she has joined an elite group — only 1 percent of Ph.D. holders in physics are women.

"She worked really hard," said Saucy's mother, Twila Myrick, who works for the Big Spring Police Department. But, she adds, great things were always in store for her daughter, "Toni's always been a brain."

"She just did in five years what it takes some people 10 or

"If young women want to do the hard sciences, they should never be told they shouldn't or couldn't."
Toni Myrick Saucy

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Saucy said she was encouraged to enjoy math and science by BSHS teacher Pat Lawrence, now deceased. "He never made a distinction between the boys and the girls in that chemistry class, and this was in 1978."

Saucy also credits the support of her husband, who moved their family to Lubbock so she could continue her stud-

ies.

Now teaching classes at Tech, Saucy is looking at future plans that may include research, or possibly work in the semiconductor electronics industry. She has devoted some of her time to programs in the Lubbock school system, aimed at inspiring students — especially girls — in the math and science fields.

Saucy said she found in her upper-level physics classes, she was often the only woman, or one of two in a class of 10 or more.

Much has been made recently of the low number of women involved in those fields, something experts say starts some-

where about the seventh grade. Interest in math and science typically begins to drop off among girls, and some studies have shown they are actually discouraged from pursuing those fields.

"If young women want to do the hard sciences," Saucy said, "they should never be told they shouldn't or couldn't. As more women become successful in these fields, there will be more role models."

But Saucy, whose past jobs have included bartender, waitress and industrial laborer, said the key is finding what you love to do.

"When you find what you are supposed to do, you can do any-

thing," she said. "I do physics because I love it."

A good student in high school, but not necessarily aimed at earning a doctorate, Saucy said she took her first physics class at Tonn's urging.

From then on, she said, her life had changed.

"It's the hardest thing I've ever done," she said. "It gave me a reason to do the math."

And her accomplishments in the field, Saucy said, were possible because she kept working, no matter how difficult it got.

"It just has to do with persistence and tenacity," she said. "That's the best way to do anything."

Forsan, Garden City honor top graduates

Paula Braden is the 1997-1998 Valedictorian of Garden City High School. She is the 17-year-old daughter of Charles and Janet Braden.

Paula has been on the A honor roll for four years, received the Texas Board of Education's Educational Excellence Award, and the UIL Scholar Award. She has been an active member of the Beta Club, National Honor Society, Student Council, has competed on the Small Schools Academic Competition team, and has participated in UIL Accounting, Mathematics, and Calculator. She has been a member of the Lady Kat basketball and track team as well as a cheerleader. Paula has served as class president for

two years.

Paula has been an active member of the 4-H program for 10 years and is currently a member of the Texas 4-H Council and serving as District VI First Vice-President. Paula plans on attending Texas A&M University majoring in Agribusiness/Accounting.

Bonnie Kay Braden is the Salutatorian for the graduating class of '98 of Garden City High School. She is the 18-year-old daughter of Kenneth and Shirley Braden.

Bonnie is an active member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society, has competed in the Small Schools Academic Decathlon, and has participated



P. BRADEN



B. BRADEN

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HERALD photo/Linda Choate
Marcy Elementary School principal Rey Villareal runs through a banner made by students welcoming him back from a 20-mile run Friday morning. Villareal was meeting a challenge from the students, who surpassed their 25,000 point accelerated reader goals for the year.

Attitude determines stress effect

QUESTION: I have a lot of stress in my life and just don't know how to cope with it. Any suggestions? When the roof caves in at your house, when your little girl gets the measles, or your teenager flunks a course in school or your spouse gets laid off at work, how do you cope with the stress?

DR. DOBSON: Your question reminds me of an old baseball story about Bill Clem, a famous National League umpire. He used to have a habit of hesitating a minute before signaling a ball or a strike. It was just a quirk of his.

One day there was this hot-shot young pitcher on the mound who would fire away, and Bill Clem would take his time calling the pitch. In about the sixth inning, the kid was getting irritated. He threw one crucial pitch and then just couldn't help yelling, "Come on, Bill. What is it?"

Clem pulled off his face mask, stared the kid down, and said, "It ain't nothing 'til I call it something."

Well, that's kind of the way it is in life. We can't stop the curve balls from coming our way, but we do get the privilege of deciding what to call them. You can determine whether a stressful time is the most horrible, terrible, unfair thing that ever happened to you, or whether it's just another common problem that you'll manage to get through somehow.

Remember, too, that the way you react is being watched carefully by your kids. If we show them that we can cope, they'll also be more likely to handle their stress more easily.

QUESTION: How do you feel about "no-fault divorce" laws, which allow for the dissolution of marriage without cause? If one party wants out, he or she can get out. Has that been a good policy?

DR. DOBSON: The concept of "no-fault divorce" was introduced in California in 1969, making it the first jurisdiction in the Western world to radically alter its divorce law. In the next 15 years, every state in the United States adopted



DR. JAMES DOBSON

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SCHOOL NEWS

BSHS Key Club
The Big Spring High School Key Club attended the Texas-Oklahoma 49th annual District Convention in Houston during the month of April. Key Club is a service organization for high school students sponsored by the Big Spring Kiwanis. Fourteen members and five sponsors attended from Big Spring.

The Texas-Oklahoma District is made up of 235 individual clubs. Big Spring is ranked 11th in the district and this is based on service projects for our local community. At the past convention, an award called the Leader of Leaders was given to one person in every 1,000 members. Each club can submit nominees and they are chosen by a committee. Three awards out of the 11 were captured by Big Spring students Jennifer Perez, Kimberly Long and Maggie Haddad.

Lauren Fraser and Hayley Knox received first place in the talent contest for their dance routine.

Kay Watson, who is the local club advisor and Regional Advisor received Faculty Advisor of the Year Award. Local secretary, Traci Bellinghausen, received an award for 100 percent on time club reporting. Kimberly Long



Courtesy photo
Big Spring High School Key Club members are shown returning from their convention recently in Houston.

was chosen Miss Texas-Oklahoma Key Club for 1997-1998 year.

The Key Club International District Sandy Nininger Award was presented to Kimberly Long. This award is given to a student for extraordinary accomplishment, perseverance, dedication, and service to others.

Students who attended were Jennifer Perez, Maggie Haddad, Kimberly Long, Lindsey Brown, Lauren Fraser, Mathew Fraser, Drew McKimmey, Hayley Knox, Sterling Hillman, Lauren Hillman, Candra McBee, Kylee Welch, Leslie McLellan, and Hamilton Hartfield. The sponsors were Kay Watson, Maureen Haddad, Linda Perez, Jeff Moss, and Jerrod Helms.

Safety Belt Honor Roll
The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has again named both Big Spring and Forsan High Schools to its National Safety Belt Honor Roll in recognition of setting records in their seat belt usage.

Big Spring High School student council officers and their sponsor Sharon Richardson were on hand recently to accept the national safety belt gold award for their schools 90 percent plus seat belt usage. Last year the students received a silver award for reaching 80 percent usage.

At Forsan High School, Jan Sims, student council sponsor, and student council members accepted a silver plaque honor-



Courtesy photo
These Garden City High School students were honored at the State Board of Education Celebrations of Educational Excellence Awards. They are, Kamie Schwartz, Paula Braden, Jill Hoelscher, Whitney Eoff, Meagan Goodwin, Tiffany Kujawski, Craig Hoelscher, Steven Hoelscher, Jared Eggemeyer and Jason Wilde.

ing them for their 80 per cent seat belt usage.

The awards were presented to the students by Brenda Mitchell, traffic safety coordinator for the Texas Department of Transportation's Abilene district.

In addition to the plaques, the high schools will be placed on the National Safety Belt Honor Roll at NHTSA headquarters in Washington, D.C.

Thomas Garza, junior, chairman of Big Spring High School's D.A.S.H. program and 2nd vice president of the student council, and his assistants, conducted two surveys: one in November 1997 and the other in December 1997. The first survey found 92 percent of 241 students and teachers wearing their seat belts and the second revealed 91 percent of 281 drivers wearing theirs.

Likewise in Forsan, the student council held two surveys: one on October 10 and the other February 10. They checked 68 cars per survey and found more than 80 percent wearing their seat belts.

Forsan High School
Jeremy Hedges, Forsan High School Technology Student Association member, recently returned from state competition with a first place award in the action photo category.

TxDOT grants
Three Howard county high schools are among 29 high schools in the Abilene district receiving a \$300 mini-grant each from the Texas

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COMMUNITY NEWS

These are the Garden City High School twirlers, who will compete May 30 in the state UIL twirling competition in San Marcos. Left to right are Lora Braden, Tiffany Wheat and Bonnie Braden.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

HAM radio test session

On Saturday, a test session will be given for the Novice, Technician and No-Code Tech class for Amateur "Ham" Radio.

Walk-ins will be accepted. Test fee for Technician class will be \$6.35. The test session will be held at Howard College Horace Garrett Building, room 108, at 8:30 a.m. Bring two #2 pencils, a photo ID (or two other forms of ID), any CSE's that apply and a check (if applicable).

This test will be given by ARRL/Volunteer Examiners and sponsored by the Big Spring Amateur Radio Club. For more information call Jose at 263-5777 or Jerry at 267-6093.

THE LAST WORD

Jazz will endure just as long as people hear it through their feet instead of their brains.

John Phillip Sousa

Those who lose dreaming are lost.

Australian Aboriginal proverb

The little I know, I owe to my ignorance

Sacha Guitry

Frequent sweepstakes winner has much to show for effort at hobby

By JEAN BRYANT

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette WILKINS, Pa. — Brenda Cohen is extremely generous. She thinks nothing of sending her family and friends on exotic trips. For example, Cohen, 58, took her husband, Martin, along for a weekend in West Palm Beach, where they spent a day on Ivana Trump's yacht; she sent son Adam and his wife, Elizabeth, to the Winter Olympics in Albertville, France, and to Montreal on a trip to see a World Series game. Oh yes, she and her hubby have dined with Barbara Mandrell and Mandrell's dad in Los Angeles. And there's that trip to Paris in 1971 to celebrate the couple's 10th wedding anniversary. Are we talking rich? And is Cohen chummy with Ivana? The answer to both questions is no. Cohen's never met Ivana. She's not exactly rich, but her generosity doesn't cost her a dime. Cohen is an inveterate sweepstakes player who has been winning trips and odd prizes for the past 30 years. And she doesn't mind sharing her "wealth."

Houston Image Group's campaign to promote the city to national and international audiences, says Yolanda Londono, executive director of the non-profit organization. Meanwhile, Cohen happily anticipates her latest prize experience. "I'll probably touch down in Houston before going to Atlanta in August," says Cohen, gleeful over news of the win — her 50th. "I'll just be an honorary crew member. That means I'll sit far away from what they're doing. Can you see me changing a tire in a few seconds?" That trip to Alberta, Canada, Number 34, was sponsored by the local chamber of commerce. Dinner with Barbara Mandrell was sponsored by Interbake Foods Inc. And so it goes. Cohen says she's somewhat embarrassed by her good fortune. "Contesting is my hobby. I don't usually talk too much about it. "I was injured in an accident and needed something to keep me busy and out of mischief. I found a sweepstakes contest to enter. I've been doing this since postage stamps were six cents." After the first win, Cohen started subscribing to sweepstakes bulletins. "It's like any other hobby. A lot of people do this. Sometimes, we run into each other. A lady I met in California when we went to see Barbara Mandrell, I met later on a Maybelline cruise. It's a very nice hobby. You meet wonderful people. "But for the most part, these contests are no brainers. You fill out a coupon. And maybe you'll win." The biggest cash prize Cohen copped was \$6,700.

HONOR

Continued from page 7A. in UIL Computer Applications and Word Power. She served as class secretary four years and as vice president of the Student Council two years. Bonnie has been a member of the tennis team, cross country team, and a twirler for the Ragin' Bearkat Band. Bonnie has participated in 4-H for 10 years. This fall she plans on attending Angelo State University majoring in Molecular Biology. Forsan High School has named Derek Tansalva, Valedictorian for the Class of 1998. He is a member of National Honor Society, Student Council, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, was a UIL Academic participant all four years and was on the A honor roll. He was named to Who's Who Among American High School Students and maintained a GPA of 96.9. He will attend Hardin Simmons University to pursue a career in Christian ministry. Tansalva's parents are Ray

"Sonny" Tansalva and Sharon Tansalva. Amanda Burton was named Forsan High School Salutatorian. Her parents are Gary and Debbie Burton. Burton maintained a GPA of 96.7. Activities and honors included: Basketball-varsity 4 years, Flag Corps-4 years, Flag Corp Captain -3 years, Band-4 years, Tennis-4 years, National Honor Society 2 year, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Jr. Class President, Student Council-2 years, Student Council Vice President-JR. Year, State Solo & Ensemble Contest-Flute-Jr. and Sr. Years, One Act Play-Crew-3 years, Optimist Club Outstanding Youth-Sr. Year, Member of Signal Mountain Emmaus Community, Attends Living Water Ministries. Will be entering mission field with Youth With A Mission before attending college.

DOBSON

Continued from page 7A. some form of no-fault legislation. The idea took the nation by storm. Statistical evidence in the past three decades verifies that no-fault divorce has been a disaster for the family. According to Statistical Abstracts of the United States, the number of divorces in this country has increased by 279 percent since these laws began taking effect in 1970. The number of children living with a divorced parent has increased 352 percent in that same period. Demographer Dr. Paul Glick has predicted that one-third of all children will live in a step-family before they reach their 18th birthday.

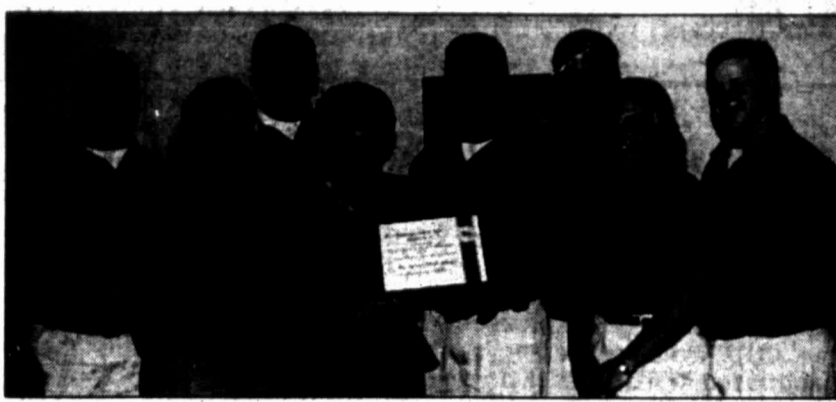
I agree with those who contend that the liberalization of divorce laws undermined the sanctity of the home and condemned millions of children to a life of poverty and heartache. In essence, no-fault divorce laws have effectively nullified the act of marriage, making it an unenforceable contract. A person can abandon his or her family more easily than that person can abrogate any other agreement that bears his signature. Of greatest concern is the welfare of the husband or wife who is unwillingly confronted with divorce, custody battles and rejection.

That responsible individual has absolutely no power in the dissolution of the family. But the other spouse, even the person who chases after a younger playmate or a "grand new freedom," is the one in charge. There is a lesson to be learned from this regrettable exercise in social engineering. The institution of the family is the basic unit of society — the ground floor on which the entire culture rests. If it collapses, everything of value will go down with it. We should never tamper with it frivolously or undermine its rationale for existence.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. James C. Dobson's "Focus on the Family" appears each Thursday as a cooperative effort of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Herald. Letters to Dr. Dobson may be sent to P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo.; 80903.

SCHOOL

Continued from page 7A.



Thomas Garza, center, accepts the national safety belt gold award from Brenda Mitchell of the Texas Department of Transportation. Also shown are student council members Matt Simon, Marisa Smith, Jason Brock, John Lawdermilk, Kelly Hollar and Clayton Pate.



Brenda Mitchell, of the Texas Department of Transportation, presents a national safety belt silver award to student council members Kyle Newton, Tiffany Sayles, sponsor Jan Sims, Joy Humphreys, and Terra Proctor.

Department of Transportation for Project Graduation 1998. Howard county high schools participating in this program are Big Spring, Coahoma, and Forsan.

In addition to the grant, Brenda Mitchell, Abilene district traffic safety coordinator, visited each high school and presented the Project Graduation chairperson key chains for each of the gradu-

ates who attend their high school event. These mementos have the slogan, "Zero Tolerance-Think. Don't Drink." T-shirts with the same slogan were also donated as door prizes.

"These graduation keepsakes are intended to be a reminder to the students to remain alcohol-free around prom and graduation time," Mitchell said.

School News

is due Tuesday at noon at the life! desk. Call Debbie L. Jensen, 263-7331, ext. 236 for details

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By JOHN A. M Sports Editor

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FISHING REPORT

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for May 21:

CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water clear; normal level; black bass to 4 pounds are good on spinners, worms and Rat-L-Traps. Hybrid stripers are good on live bait and spoons. Crappie are slow on minnows and jigs. Channel catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shrimp and worms.

BUCHANAN: Water fairly clear; low; black bass to 6 pounds are good on topwaters fished early and late and on crank baits. Striped bass are good on live shad. White bass are fair on slabs. Crappie are fair on minnows fished over deep water brush piles. Catfish are fair on rod and reels and trotlines baited with large minnows and prepared bait.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 74 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are fair to good on black and motor oil, Texas-rigged worms and on small white and chartreuse spinnerbaits fished in 6 to 15 feet of water. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish to 3 pounds are fair on chicken livers and stink bait. Blue catfish to 8 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with cut shad. No report on yellow catfish.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 70 degrees; black bass to 4 pounds are good on chartreuse spinnerbaits and large shiners fished in 4 to 12 feet of water. Crappie to 2 pounds are good on shiners and tube jigs fished in 3 to 5 feet of water. White bass are good on silver Rat-L-Traps and live shiners fished in 3 to 10 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish to 10 pounds are fair on jug lines baited with cut bait. Yellow catfish to 42 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with shad.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water murky; 73 degrees; 6 1/2 feet low; black bass to 5 pounds are fair to good on plastic worms, white buzzbaits and white and chartreuse spinnerbaits fished in 1 to 5 feet of water. Crappie to 1 1/2 pounds are good on minnows and chartreuse and red jigs fished around boat docks in 3 to 8 feet of water. White bass are excellent all over the lake on silver Rat-L-Traps, spoons, small bombers and live minnows. Hybrid striped bass to 11 1/2 pounds are good to excellent by downrigging and trolling diving crank baits and live shad fished in 15 to 20 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are slow. Yellow catfish to 5 pounds are good around Johnson Park on rod and reel baited with sunfish fished in 15 feet of water.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water clear on main lake, murky in the tributaries; 75 degrees; 9' low; black bass to 7.47 pounds are fair to good on Bass Assassins, plastic worms and white buzzbaits fished in 4 to 12 feet of water. Crappie to 11 1/2 pounds are good on minnows and white jigs fished in 1 to 4 feet of water. White bass are good on chartreuse slabs, silver Rat-L-Traps and minnows; fish are schooling. Hybrid stripers are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on chicken livers. Yellow catfish to 40 pounds are fair to good on trotlines baited with live perch.

KEMP: Water murky; 73 degrees; black bass are slow. Striped bass to 8 pounds are fair to good on live shad, white and chartreuse buck-tailed jigs and on large silver crank baits fished around the dam in 15 to 30 feet of water. Some fish are schooling early and late and being taken on Pencil Poppers and large stick baits. Crappie are fair on minnows fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Blue and channel catfish are to 5 pounds are good on shrimp and Magic Blood fished in 4 to 10 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 52 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with goldfish and live perch.

OAK CREEK: Water fairly clear; 71 degrees; 4 feet low; black bass to 6.41 are fair on green crank baits and plastic worms fished in 4 to 12 feet of water. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished in 3 to 9 feet of water. White bass are good on silver crank baits, white slabs and live minnows fished in 10 to 20 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish to 5 pounds are good on rod and reel baited with chicken liver, shrimp and earthworms fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 27 pounds are fair to good on trotlines baited with goldfish.

O.H. IVE: Water clear; 74 degrees; black bass to 12 pounds are fair on 12" Texas-rigged worms, white spinnerbaits and buzz baits fished in 5 to 15 feet of water. Some nice fish are being taken on main lake humps with big worms. Crappie are slow to fair at night on minnows fished in 8 to 16 feet of water. White bass are good on silver crank baits, white slabs and silver and bone Pop R's fished in 8 to 16 feet of water. Some fish are schooling. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cut bait. Yellow catfish are slow on trotlines baited with live perch.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear in south end, murky in north end; 3 feet low; 72 degrees; black bass to 3 pounds are fair on Carolina-rigged worms and topwaters fished around wind-blown points in 12 to 15 feet of water. Crappie are fair on minnows and chartreuse tube jigs fished in 15 to 20 feet of water over baited holes. White bass are good on silver/black and silver/blue Rat-L-Traps. Early and late the fish are schooling and being taken on silver and bone Pop R's. Strippers to 10 pounds are good on live gizzard shad and on topwaters fished early and late. The fish are schooling. Channel and blue catfish are good to 3 pounds on night crawlers fished under a cork in 4 to 5 feet of water. Yellow catfish are fair on live bait.

SPENCE: Water fairly clear; 73 degrees; black bass are fair to good on white spinnerbaits, plastic worms and topwaters fished in 6 to 12 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are fair to good on live shad. White bass are good on minnows and small, silver Rat-L-Traps. Some fish are schooling around the dam. Crappie are fair on minnows fished in 5 to 15 feet of water. Blue and channel catfish are fair on cut bait. Yellow catfish are slow.

STAMFORD: Water clear; 73 degrees; black bass to 5 pounds are slow to fair on chartreuse and white spinnerbaits, crank baits and plastic worms fished in 2 to 8 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish to 7 pounds are good on punch and cut bait fished in 2 to 6 feet of water. Yellow catfish to 31 pounds are fair to good on trotlines baited with perch and goldfish fished in 15 feet of water.

SWEETWATER: Water murky; 72 degrees; black bass to 10.12 pounds are fair to good on Texas-rigged worms, white spinnerbaits and buzzbaits fished in 4 to 12 feet of water. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished in 8 to 16 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are fair to good on night crawlers and minnows. Yellow catfish to 19.6 pounds are fair to good on live perch and dead minnows fished in 6 to 10 feet of water.

WHITE RIVER: Water clear; 73 degrees; black bass are slow to fair on spinnerbaits and Texas-rigged worms fished in 2 to 8 feet of water. Walleye are fair to good by trolling with deep-diving crank baits and on live minnows fished in 10 to 25 feet of water. Crappie are fair on minnows fished in 4 to 12 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are slow. Yellow catfish are slow.

SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water clear; Black bass to 8 pounds are fair on spinners, Zara Spooks and Power Worms. Striped bass are good on topwaters and live bait fished on the main lake. White bass are fair on slabs and spoons. Catfish are fair on rod and reels baited with shrimp and cut bait.

CHOKER: Water fairly clear; very low; Black bass to 8 pounds are good on topwaters fished early and late and on spinners and Rat-L-Traps. White bass are fair on slabs and live bait fished on the river. Catfish are good on rod and reels baited with cut and cheese bait.

Especially for kids and their families
The Mini Page
By BETTY DEBNAM

Raves for the Waves

Our Awesome Oceans



All of us are touched by our oceans every day, even if we don't get wet and even if we live thousands of miles away from one. Our awesome oceans cover 70 percent of the Earth's surface. They contain about 98 percent of the world's water.

Oceans are ...

places to live nearby. Over half of the people in the United States live and work within 50 miles of the coast. However, coastal areas account for only 11 percent of our country's land.

sources of food. Americans eat at least 15 pounds of seafood per person each year.

highways for products we ship and get from overseas. Just about everything we sell and get from overseas goes through our ports and over the ocean in cargo ships.



homes for animals. There could be as many as 15 million species in the oceans and wetlands. Every one of the wide variety of species is important in the balance of nature.



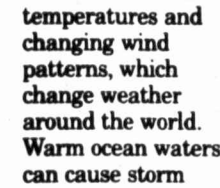
the sources for minerals and other resources. Much of our oil (about 17 percent) and natural gas (about 25 percent) comes from offshore oil wells.



the sources for many things we buy in grocery stores. Peanut butter, for example, is more spreadable because of an ingredient found in the ocean.



the cause for most of the world's weather patterns. A change in the water temperature affects our weather greatly. El Niño refers to warm ocean surface temperatures and changing wind patterns, which change weather around the world. Warm ocean waters can cause storm systems that bring fresh water for all living things. Farmers depend on rain water for their crops.



fun to be near or in. Many of us will be taking our vacation down by the shore. We love to swim, surf and fish. We also find it relaxing to just sit and watch.

The United Nations has declared 1998 the Year of the Ocean so we can celebrate how important oceans are and call attention to their problems and how we can help.

The Rookie Cookie Cookbook is chock-full of recipes designed especially for kids. Besides making cookies, this cookbook encourages reading and takes kids step-by-step through the cooking process. To order, send check or money order only for \$7.95 plus \$1.50 postage and handling per copy to: Rookie Cookie Cookbook, P.O. Box 419242, Kansas City, Mo. 64141. Make checks payable to Andrews McMeel Publishing.

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WHAT DO YOU CALL A BABY WHALE THAT CRIST?
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THAT'S MIGHTY FUNNY!

Q: Where do fish wash?
A: In a river basin!

Q: How many people have lived in Wales?
A: I can only think of one — Jonah! (all jokes sent by Cynthia Alice Spencer)

Rookie Cookie's Recipe Under the Sea Salad

You'll need:

- 3 cups rice, cooked and cooled
- 1/4 onion, chopped
- 1 green pepper, chopped
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1 teaspoon mustard
- 1 6-ounce can tuna, drained

What to do:

1. Combine all ingredients in a large bowl. Mix well.
2. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

Serves 6.

OCEANS TRY 'N FIND

Words about oceans are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: OCEAN, WAVES, COAST, FOOD, FISH, HIGHWAYS, SEAS, HOMES, MINERALS, STORMS, WEATHER, VACATION, SWIM, SURF, JOBS, WATER, PACIFIC, TIDES, SALTY.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy and her friends are visiting an aquarium. See if you can find:

- kite
- killer whale
- sailboat
- letter B
- teapot
- number 7
- word MINI
- crescent moon
- heart
- key
- ruler

Our Troubled Oceans

For thousands of years, the oceans have served as our trash can. For those thousands of years, the oceans did a pretty good job of making our trash disappear. The bacteria in the water broke most of it down so that fish and plants could use it. There is more trash today than ever before. But much of today's trash is different from the trash in the past. It is not biodegradable (Bi-oh-dee-GRAY-dah-bul). This means that bacteria cannot break it down. It can take hundreds of years to make it finally disappear.

Runoff pollution
Rainwater and melting snow washes into streams and bays, carrying with it fertilizers, lawn chemicals, salt from roadways, oil and gasoline leaked from automobiles, and untreated sewage. This is known as runoff pollution. Runoff pollution harms fish and other animals as well as plants. This is because it can hurt the environment. Topsoil runoff from farms and lawns flows into rivers and then into shore waters. The fertilizers and animal waste mixed with soil can cause algae to grow at a very fast rate. When algae growth uses up too much oxygen in the water, the fish begin to die. The water begins to smell. This problem is called eutrophication (yu-tro-fuh-KAY-shun). Some laws have been passed to stop the dumping and runoff. But much more must be done. Most experts say that we must learn how to recycle our waste. Our troubled oceans just can't handle it.

Pollution from inland
Throughout the world, more people than ever before live near the oceans. So many cities line the coast. So many people toss their trash into the nearest body of water. Ocean problems can start far from the coast, as well as right at the shore. If there is water running by your house, wherever you are in the United States, the chances are that it will end up flowing into the ocean.

acid rain (rain with acid in it. Burning of fossil fuels is the biggest cause.)

Some sources of ocean problems and debris

The Mini Page thanks the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, National Ocean Service, and Dr. Joe Rasmus, director of the Duke University Marine Laboratory, Beaufort, N.C., for help with this issue.

A site to see: For additional information, try: www.yoto98.noaa.gov. There is a special section just for kids.

To do: Look through your newspaper for items that might have traveled over the seas. Also look for items that might cause ocean pollution.

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Others finding signs of Woods' growth both on and off golf course

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

The shadows stretched across the Four Seasons Resort like fingers on a hand reaching for the most difficult chord on a piano. As the sun lowered, most of the activity was in the hospitality tents.

Only two people were on the practice putting green on Saturday evening at the Byron Nelson Classic — Tiger Woods and Jerry Chang, a friend from his Stanford days who now travels frequently with him.

Sitting silently nearby in a golf cart, basking in a fading shaft of sunlight, was a hulking form of a man paying close attention.

Woods, with his hat turned around in the style of most any 22-year-old who should be just picking up his college degree, was doing two things: He was working on golf, and he was having fun.

Those two things have always gone hand in hand for Woods.

Clearly in the middle of a match, Woods winced when Chang rolled in a long putt to win a hole. When Woods pushed a putt wide of the cup, a voice from the golf cart bellowed: "Follow through with the stroke."

The advice came from Earl Woods, who taught his son the game even before he could walk and now hopes to see him become the best golfer ever.

Barely more than a year ago that wish seemed unlikely. Not that Tiger Woods would not become the greatest golfer ever, but that Earl Woods would live to see it.

The elder Woods wore shorts as he sat in that golf cart. Visible on both legs were scars from the operation in which veins were removed and used for the quadruple heart bypass operation that saved his life.

"Yeah," Tiger Woods said back to his Pop. "I'm not finishing the stroke."

Then Chang called back: "Hey, no lessons in the middle of the match."

Laughter all around.

This has been life for Tiger and Pop for more than 20 years. Playing golf.

Working on golf. Having fun with golf. Several things were clear at the Byron Nelson Classic. Woods is working on his game as hard as ever. He is much more comfortable with his fellow players, the fans and the media than he was a year ago.

And he is a better golfer.

Don't be misled by the one PGA Tour victory compared to the three last year at this time. He drives the ball straighter, has better distance control with his irons and a somewhat more varied game around the green. And he has become a more consistent short putter.


"He's going to be scary how good he's going to get," Jim Carter said after

playing with Woods on Saturday. Nick Faldo says golf is not about the quality of one's good shots, but the quality of one's bad shots. Woods' bad shots are way better than last year, which means he will give himself more chances to win.

Then there is the fact that he is a year older. His maturity shows not only in the more controlled way he plays, but also in how he interacts with others.

True, he still gets angry after a bad shot — sometimes very angry. And true, he displays annoyance at times with a good shot that is not great. But he smiles more, acknowledges the crowd more.

Congratulations


*From Our Bundle of Joy
to our Bride & Joy.
Congratulations!!*

Love,
Mom, Dad, Lori & Brantley



Congratulations!
We knew you'd make it, Crystal


Love, Mom, Tom, Andrea & Jesi



Congratulations
Krystal

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Love, Mom, Dad & Stephanie



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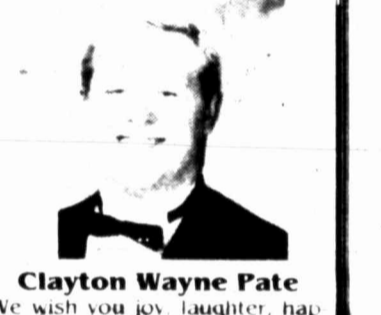
We are so proud of you!! Continue to do your best & let God do the rest!

Love, Mom, Dad, Niki & Chelsea



Congratulations to our Little Graduate.
Brantley Cahoon!

We Love You,
Granna & Papa



Clayton Wayne Pate

We wish you joy, laughter, happiness, glory, strength & peace to bear life's burdens, sunshine on your path & storms to strengthen your journey. Always look to him for guidance & all his blessings will be yours.


We Love You
Dad, Mom, The Pates, The Mizes & The Baileys



Joie Marie Pate Bailey

It isn't the things we get - it isn't how much we know - it's the will to serve - it's the hand we lend - it's the light our lantern throws.

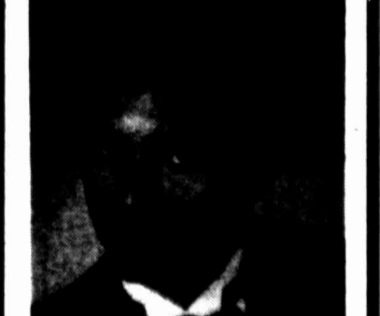
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The Pates - The Mizes
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Jason and Brock
Congratulations!


We are so proud of you. Keep your goals high and let God lead the way. You both have always made us proud to be grandparents.

Love, Grandmother & Bob-Bob



Congratulations!!
Marco Torres

We Love You
Mom & Family*



Jeremy,
God Bless You

Love,
Mom & Dad
Mee-Maw & Pee-Paw

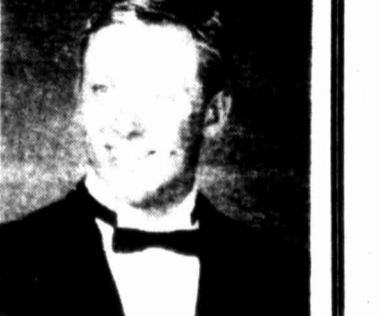


Veronica Martinez

Memories of you growing up will be ours to cherish forever. Now go and take on the world.

Reach for the stars, with God as your guide.

Love, Mom and John



Marcus Hyatt
Way to go!


We're proud of you!
Love Ya,
Dad, Mom, Adam,
Memaw & Mica



Congratulations


Here's wishing all your dreams come true!

Love,
Mom, Dad & Rachael



Congratulations and Good Luck In All The Years To Come!


Love Mom & Dad



Congratulations!

You have really worked hard and I'm very proud of you!

Love, Mom



Congratulations!

We are very proud of you.

Dad, Mom, Lance & Courtney




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Love,
Dad, Mom & Catherine

Congratulations
Amanda Burton

We are so very proud of you.

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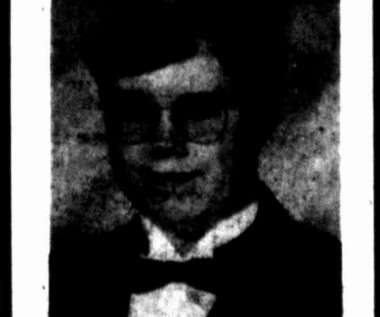
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Love,
Mom & Dad



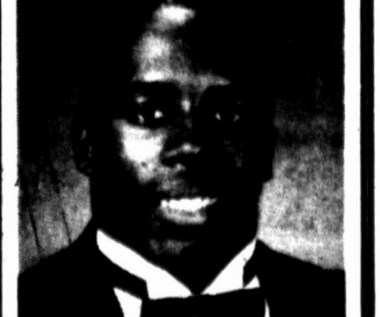
Congratulations!
Melissa Haro

Love,
Dad, Mom & Kathy



Congratulations!!
We are proud of you.

Love, Dad, Mom, Joshua, Grandpa, Grandma & Grandma H.



Congratulations!!
Antwoyne
For A Job Well Done!

Love,
Mom & Dad



Finally made it!

Love, Dad, Deb & Yvette




Jennifer
We're very proud of you.

Love, Mom, Dad, Heather, Lindsay, Nana, Granddaddy (Wilks)



Congratulations!!
Sonia Puente

We love You and are very proud of you.
Mom, Dad, Sisters & Nephews



Brock Gee
Congratulations!!

We're very proud of you.
Mom, Dad, Blake & Rachel.

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THURSDAY

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6:30	News (CC)	Simpsons Home Imp	Science Guy	Christy (CC)	News Grace Under	News (CC)	News (CC)	News (CC)	Sin Ti	Honey, I Blew Up the Kid	Dallas	(15) Movie: Riot	Harry Crumb? (CC)	Paper Brigade (CC)	Jewish Voice John Hagee	Law & Order (CC)	Game Shelter	Babylon 5 (CC)	Sports News Major League	Stanley Cup	Kansas Raiders	Planet Groove
7:00	To Be Announced	Essence Awards (CC)	New Tastes Travels	Rescue 911 (CC)	Diagnosis Murder (CC)	To Be Announced	Friends (CC)	Just Shoot Me	Esmeralda	(CC) Movie: Freaky	To Be Announced	Movie: Joe's Apartment	Real Sports (CC)	Light of the Southwest	Biography	Wild Discovery	Discovery	Baseball: Baltimore Orioles at New York Yankees	Playoffs: Western	Movie: The Land That Time Forgot (35)	Movie: The Hit List	
8:30	Where It's At: The Rolling	Mystery! (CC)	for Help	48 Hours (CC)	Stone State of the Union	ER (CC)	(05) Movie: The Perfect Weapon	News Tonight Show	P. Impacto Noticias Uni.	Wait Disney Presents	Dallas	(9:55) Movie: Beyond the Call	(40) Movie: Stargate SG-1	Rikers Island (20) Movie: Crelio Dollar Crystal Lyons	Something Good	Law & Order (CC)	Justice Files	Movie: Gettysburg	FOX Sports News	Sportscenter (CC)	Movie: The	BET Tonight
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12:30	(12:06) Ricki Lake	Martin (CC) In the Heat of	Silver Screen (CC)	Pad Program	Late Late Show	News Ent. Tonight	Night (CC) Gayle King	(12:05) Thunder (CC)	Club America	Movie: A Tiger Walks	Prime Time Country (CC)	Ringer	(12:05) The Umbic	Face/Off (CC)	Light of the Southwest	New Explorers	Animal X Movie Magic	Last Word Skiing Maga-	Superouts	(12:15) Movie: Two		

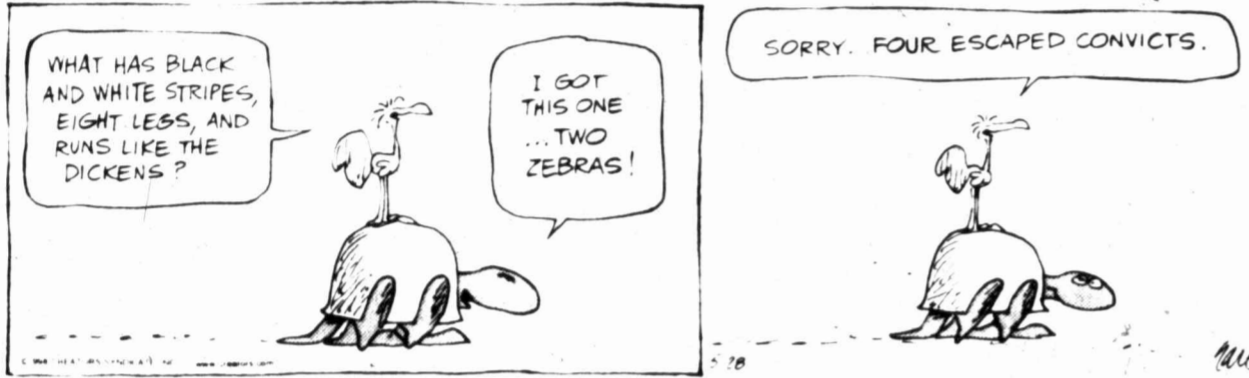
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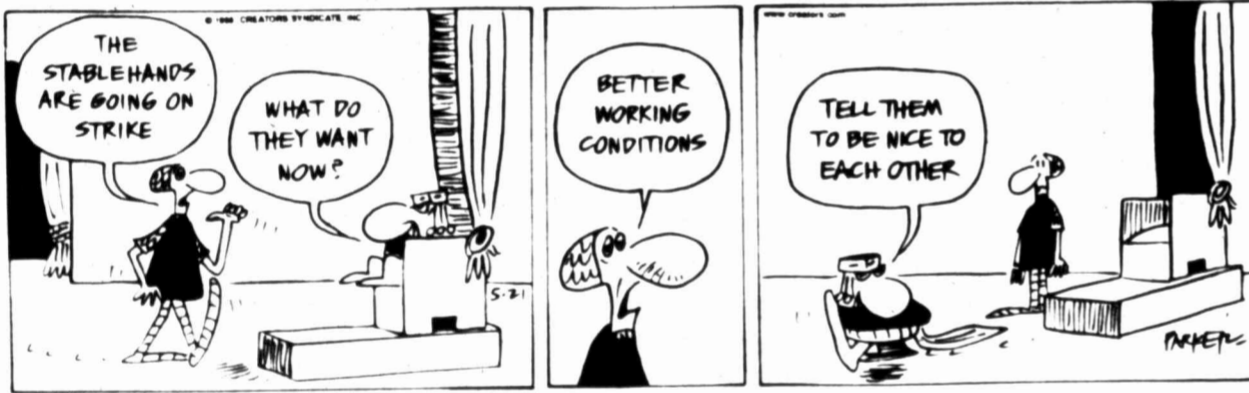
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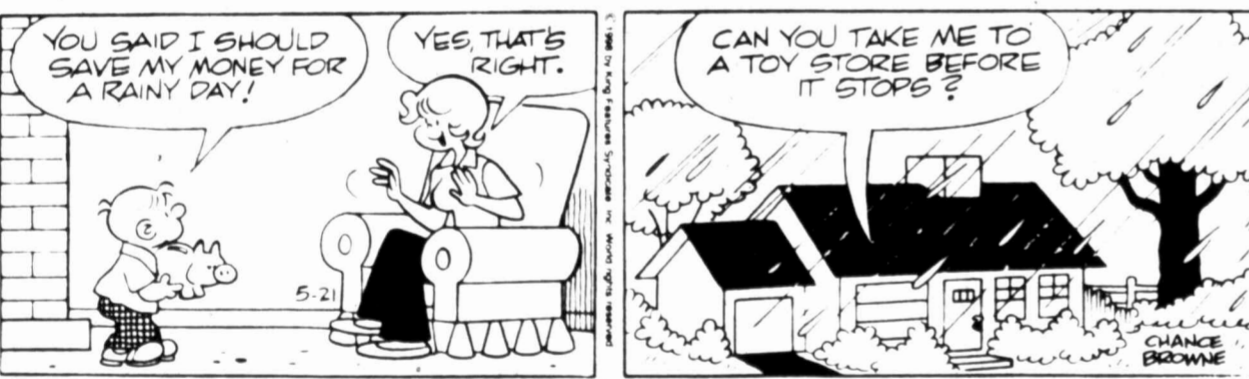
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Thursday, May 21, the 141st day of 1998. There are 224 days left in the year.

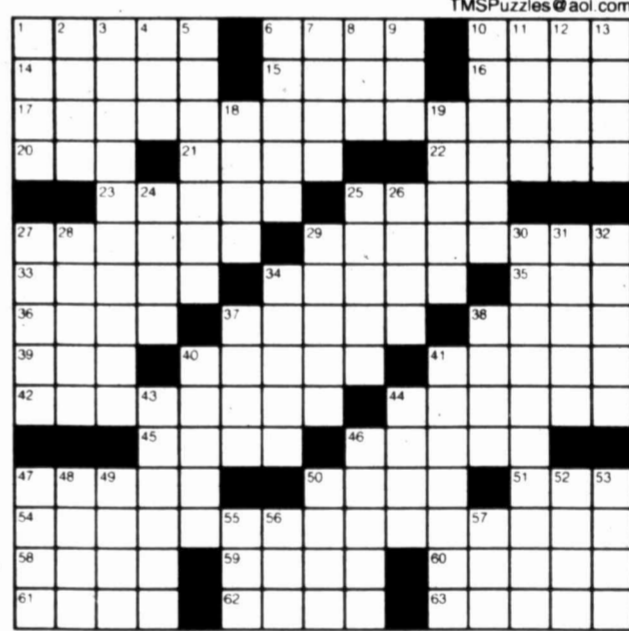
Today's Highlight in History: On May 21, 1927, Charles A. Lindbergh landed his Spirit of St. Louis near Paris, completing the first solo airplane flight across the Atlantic Ocean.

On this date: In 1542, Spanish explorer Hernando de Soto died while searching for gold along the Mississippi River. In 1832, the first Democratic National Convention got under way, in Baltimore. In 1840, New Zealand was declared a British colony. In 1881, Clara Barton founded the American Red Cross. In 1892, the opera "I Pagliacci," by Ruggero Leoncavallo, was first performed, in Milan, Italy. In 1924, 14-year-old Bobby Franks was murdered in a "thrill killing" committed by Nathan Leopold Jr. and Richard Loeb, two students at the University of Chicago. In 1956, the United States exploded the first airborne hydrogen bomb over Bikini Atoll in the Pacific. In 1959, the musical "Gypsy," inspired by the life of stripper Gypsy Rose Lee, opened on Broadway. In 1968, the nuclear-powered U.S. submarine Scorpion, with 99 men aboard, was last heard from. (Sub remains were later found on the ocean floor 400 miles southwest of the Azores.)

THE Daily Crossword

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

- ACROSS
- Son of Jacob
 - Memorable times
 - Performing couples
 - Genetic duplicate
 - Roman robe
 - Norway capital
 - Attractive U?
 - You betcha!
 - Tragic fate
 - Obstacles
 - Eastern potentates
 - Jose's home
 - Do 360s
 - Celestial angels
 - Beige shades
 - Wendell, the actor
 - Washington bill
 - 36 & others
 - "in Toyland"
 - "Animal House" setting, abbr.
 - Govt agent
 - Caesar's dog
 - Extra-strong cotton thread
 - British money
 - Edible mushrooms
 - Unctuous
 - Highway accommodation
 - Tidy up
 - Take spoils
 - Designer
 - Take steps
 - Onion's dust cloud
 - Give off
 - Beastly character
 - Clemens or Maris
 - Service charges
 - Hockey score
 - Loudmouth lummock



By Carol Lachance Massey, Ont.

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved



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- DOWN
- Suffering dull pains
 - Blackthorn
 - Hard bargain
 - Type widths
 - Total
 - Doles (out)
 - Shrewd
 - Bondsman's outlay
 - Give the ax
 - Singer Patsy
 - State gambling
 - Cooks with dry heat
 - Natural satellite
 - Sample house
 - Child's profession
 - Togo's capital
 - New York canal
 - "Doctor Zhivago" girl
 - "Carry on..."
 - Poi base
 - Table tyrant
 - Self image
 - Tightening snake

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In 1979, former San Francisco city supervisor Dan White was convicted of voluntary manslaughter in the slayings of Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk.

In 1991, former Indian Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi was assassinated during national elections by a suicide bomber.

Ten years ago: The Soviet news agency Tass reported that the Communist Party leaders of Armenia and Azerbaijan had been dismissed after fresh outbreaks of ethnic tensions in the two southern Soviet republics. Risen Star won the Preakness Stakes.

Five years ago: President Clinton met at the White House with Russian Foreign Minister Andrei Kozyrev; afterward, Clinton expressed pessimism over resolving the ethnic conflict in the Balkans and pledged not to send American soldiers into a "shooting gallery."

One year ago: Prosecutors at the Oklahoma City bombing trial of Timothy McVeigh rested their case. The space shuttle Atlantis undocked from the Russian Mir space station.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Anthony Steel is 78. Actress-TV personality Peggy Cass is 74. Actor Rick Jason is 72. Actor David Groh is 59. Rhythm-and-blues singer Ron Isley (The Isley Brothers) is 57. Singer Leo Sayer is 50. Actress Carol Potter is 50. Actor Mr. T is 46. Music producer Stan Lynch is 43. Actor Judge Reinhold is 41.