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Tonight



TONIGHT 73°-77° THURSDAY 98°-101°

Old Settlers set to reunite

On Saturday, old and young, former and current residents of Martin County will gather for the 65th Martin County Old Settlers Reunion.

Events will start at 9 a.m. with registration for all visitors at the Martin County Community Center. The traditional downtown parade begins at 10 a.m. with floats, all sorts of decorated vehicles, bands and a "mystery rider."

After the parade, a full day is planned with musical performances, visiting in the community center, a catered barbecue dinner and a dance following.

In addition, you can take a tour of the Old Jail or the Martin County Historical Museum, and a reception will honor the E.B. Holcomb family. A historical marker will also be dedicated on the Connell House, 406 Convent Street.

For more information about Saturday's events, see story on life! Page 6A.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center in the Industrial Park. Call 398-5522 or 267-1628.

□ Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room.
□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

THURSDAY

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

□ Evening line dancing class, 6:30 p.m., Big Spring Mall, the room near Hallmark and Bealls. For more information call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522 or e-mail at drkbigspring@xroadstx.com

□ Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.

□ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room. Call Billy Smith at 267-6479.

□ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.

□ American Legion Auxiliary, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084.

□ Christmas in April, noon, 1607 E. Third. Call Bob Noyes, 267-5811.

□ Friends of the Library, noon, Howard County Library. Call Lorain Redman at 264-2260.

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Sign legislation creates traffic jam of its own

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Sign, sign everywhere a sign - do this don't do that, can't you read the sign? And the latest sign - "Left Lane For Passing Only" created a cacophony of confusion lately.

According to the Department of Public Safety, the new "law" was really just the Texas Department of Transportation unveiling a new sign, with the legislature necessary to place the sign into place.

"The legislature passed that whenever TxDOT takes down a sign that reads 'Slower Traffic Keep Right,' they may replace it with the new 'Left Lane For Passing Only' signs," said Tela Mange, for the Department of Public Safety in Austin.

In other words, left lane driving on

Wording changes, but intent of the new signs will remain the same.

Texas highways is still legal, provided a motorist observes the posted speed limit and does not hinder traffic.

"The law has always been that you cannot impede traffic, that you can't drive too slow in the left-hand lane," Mange said.

"A person has never been able to drive, say, 45 miles per hour in the left-hand lane, when the speed limit in that lane is 70. Then, a person is guaranteed to get a

ticket," she said.

She added that there are stretches of I-35 between San Antonio and Austin where the new "Left Lane For Passing Only" signs will be placed as the older "Slower Traffic Keep Right" signs deteriorate.

"If they put up a new sign, it's got to say 'Left Lane For Passing Only,'" Mange said.

Locally, the district engineer for TxDOT in Abilene has determined that none of the new signs will appear in this area.

In an attempt to straighten out the confusion, Rep. Joe Driver, R-Garland, who sponsored the original bill, issued a statement of legislative intent of House Bill 297, which states:

"It was Rep. Driver's intent, as he stated...that only the wording of the sign would be changed, and the traffic law,

the unofficial rule of the road, and the intent of the sign would not be changed.

"Left lane for passing only has been misconstrued, according to media reports, to have a significantly different meaning than 'slower traffic keep right.'"

"The meaning of the two signs is the same, but Rep. Driver believes drivers comprehend the meaning of 'passing' more clearly than the meaning of slower traffic."

"The fact that some drivers travel in the left lane in posted sections of highways, even though they are going slower than traffic in the right lane, suggests that these drivers do not understand the meaning of 'slower traffic,'" Driver stated in a recent release.

He added that the intent of the legislation, to change the words on the signs already posted, was to improve traffic safety.

Cause of house fire under investigation

By T.E. JENKINS

Staff Writer

Howard County Volunteer Fire Department Chief Tommy Sullivan suspects that an accelerant may have played a role in the fire that consumed a two-story home early Tuesday morning.

Firefighters from Big Spring, Coahoma, Sand Springs and Jonesboro converged on the two-story home at around 4 a.m., where they found the structure already engulfed in flames.

"We suspect that the fire was caused by some kind of accelerant," said Sullivan. "We are still investigating the scene, but with so little left, it's going to be hard to determine whether or not foul play was involved."

Sullivan, who expects to turn in his report on the incident some time today, sifted through the remains in search of clues as to the cause of the fire.

"There really isn't much left for us to go by," said Sullivan. "We received the call from the city later than we should have, and by the time we got on the scene, there was really no chance to save the home."

According to the owner, Toby Green, he rented it out to Weldon Hambrick a little more than a year ago.

"I believe the previous owner had it moved to South Anderson Road back in the 50s," said Green. "I've owned the house for 16 years now."

"This is really disappointing for me," said Green. "I raised my kids in that house, and that



HERALD photo/T.E. Jenkins

Firefighters are investigating the cause of a fire early Tuesday morning which destroyed a two-story home on South Anderson Road. It is suspected that an accelerant may have played a role.

is a very personal thing for me."

"Neighbors reported that Hambrick was seen moving a large amount of his belongings out of the house this past weekend," said Sullivan. "We are finishing a search of the remains now, but it doesn't look like there was much in the house in the way of belongings. We've

found some ordinary appliances, but none of the things you would expect to find in an occupied house that burns to the ground."

When asked if he believed foul play was involved, Green was disheartened at the prospect. "I have no idea what caused the fire, and I can't really see any reason why anyone

would want to do that," said Green.

"I will finish my investigation into the fire, and turn my report in to the Howard County Sheriff's Office," said Sullivan. "It's up to them whether to investigate further or not."

Sullivan was glad to report that there were no injuries to citizens or his fire fighters.

Citizens Police Academy class seeks informed public

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

The Citizens Police Academy provides folks with an opportunity to learn how police work gets done, and offers graduates a chance to give back to their community.

A new class is forming, and will begin Sept. 10, according to Sergeant Lee Everett of the BSPD. Anyone who is interested may apply.

"The police department can't cover everything, it just can't, but the citizens can. We're not trying to make people police

officers, we just want them to be more aware of their own surroundings," Everett said.

The object of the 12-week course is to acquaint citizens with the inner workings of a police department, as well as helping folks understand their rights and the rights of officers.

The course provides about 60 percent classroom time, which includes lectures, speakers and videos, and 40 percent field work.

Field work includes riding with officers of patrol, simulated building searches, firing range practice and paint ball

gun shootouts.

"This will teach people how to pay attention, and to know what they're looking at. This is for their own enlightenment, to help folks understand the police department better and give citizens an idea of our training and experience," Everett said.

The course is free, although applicants must fill out a form and agree to a background check.

"We do a criminal history. We're looking for people who are credible, people with a decent reputation," he said.

Misdemeanor charges or con-

victions are acceptable, such as traffic violations, he said.

The class meets every Thursday for three hours, and the course is accredited through Howard College's continuing education, and worth three credit hours.

Instructors for the 12 weeks will be Everett and Lt. Stan Parker, along with other police officers and detectives.

Week One will feature an overview of the course, complete with an introduction from Police Chief Lonnie Smith.

See ACADEMY, Page 2A

Academy grad recommends the experience

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Nancy Jones, director of the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program and a Citizens Police Academy graduate, said she became involved with the group because her senior clients were interested.

"I had one view when I went into the course, and a completely different view when I finished.

I came away with a desire to be a part of the community, and this is a lot of fun," Jones said.

"I highly recommend it," Jones said.

Originally, Jones and three

seniors took the course, and then the police department offered a seniors only course, and 26 graduated.

"They love it. There is so much we can do, that helps the police officers," she said.

CPA alumni perform various duties for community events, such as parking management during the recent Pops in the Park celebration. During parades, the alumni provide parking and crowd control, Jones said.

"We also did the bicycles rodeo for kids during the health fare, and that was huge. We needed 20 people to run it, so we had two police officers and about 15 to 18 of us. It went really well," Jones said.

The alumni are also involved in other safety programs for children.

"We're training for fingerprinting right now. Whenever

we need more training, they'll bring an officer in to help us," Jones said.

Jones said the alumni meet once each month.

P.J. Heckler, another CPA graduate, said she really enjoyed the training, and the knowledge she learned from the course.

"This was very interesting and gave me a different perspective on the police department."

"It helped me better understand the rules and regulations they have - the patrolman and the way a patrolman works," Heckler said.

She said she enjoyed all the classes, but the week that focused on drug education was the most informative.

"I learned a lot of things I didn't know. The entire course was interesting and kept my attention every night," Heckler said.

Martin Co.

Caliche caper sorted out by county officials

By T.E. JENKINS

Staff Writer

Martin County Commissioners Court on Monday determined that there was no improper conduct by its Road and Bridge Department as alleged by a land owner.

Kenneth Snodgrass originally brought the matter before the court, alleging that the Martin County Road and Bridge Department illegally obtained a large quantity of caliche from land he owned.

Although the caliche was returned to Snodgrass, an investigation was made to determine whether or not the Martin County Road and Bridge Department was guilty of misconduct.

"When the lease operator moved the dirt, they were under the impression that they were within their rights," said Snodgrass' attorney Lanny Hamby. "The caliche was supposed to remain on site, however, so that the land could be restored to its original condition when the lease was up."

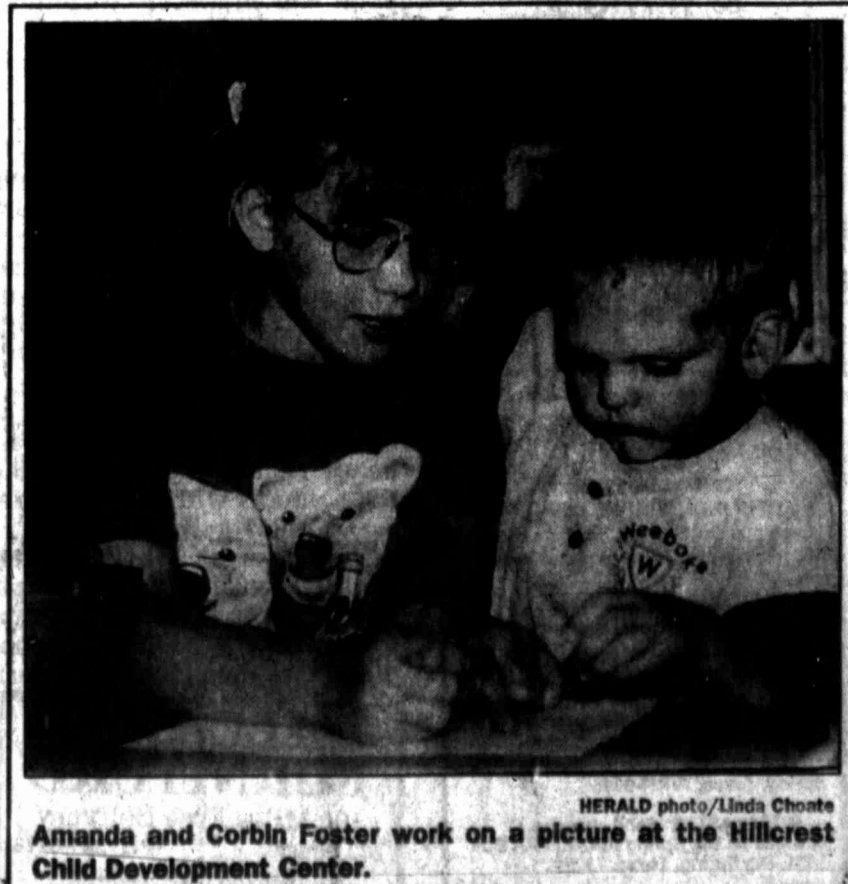
The Commissioners Court, after hearing matters from Snodgrass, conducted an investigation into the conduct of the Bridge and Road Department, and delivered its verdict Monday.

"The Court has found there to be no improper conduct on the part of the Road and Bridge Department," said Martin County Judge Bob Deavenport. "There have been no violations as far as the court can see."

The land in question, although owned by Snodgrass, is under lease by an oil land leasing company.

"The Road and Bridge Department received a call from the lease operator telling them that they had a large amount of caliche to get rid of," said Deavenport.

"The Department uses the caliche in building and repairing lease roads, so they went out and picked it up."



HERALD photo/Linda Choate

Amanda and Corbin Foster work on a picture at the Hillcrest Child Development Center.

OBITUARIES

Claudie Clark

Claudie Clark, 86, Big Spring, died at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 1998, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a short illness.

Funeral service will be 10 a.m. Friday, July 10, at Airport Baptist Church with Rev. Bill Ballard officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born Nov. 11, 1911, in Rhone. She was the daughter of Mary Rutherford Lumpkin and James Lumpkin. She married Eugene Clark on Jan. 28, 1934, in Lubbock. They moved to Big Spring in 1940 from Lubbock. Mrs. Clark was a homemaker and had been an active member and Sunday School teacher at Airport Baptist Church for over 50 years.

She is survived by: her husband, Eugene (Buster) Clark of Big Spring; one son and daughter-in-law, Joe and Kay Clark of Big Spring; one daughter and son-in-law, Marilyn and Bruce Lynskey of Midland; two brothers, LeRoy Lumpkin of Lovington, N.M., and Aubrey Lumpkin of LaPorte; five grandchildren, Gwen Kincheloe, Kim Rubio, both of Big Spring, Vincent and Tomas Lynskey, both of Midland, and Leah Straub of Fort Bliss; and four great-grandchildren, Jonathan, Jarred and Jessica Rubio, all of Big Spring, and Katy Lynskey of Midland.

Mrs. Clark was preceded in death by four brothers. Pallbearers will be Casey Clark, Robert Lumpkin, Johnny Lumpkin, Ronnie Clark, Vince Lynskey and Tomas Lynskey.

The family suggests memorials to the American Diabetes Association, Western Regional Office; 8008 Slide Road, Suite 12-A; Lubbock; 79424.

The family will be at 1016 Baylor. Oh! call it not death, but that blessed sleep, And never again to wake up and weep. The morning shall come, the body shall rise and meet her dear Lord somewhere in the skies; Then cheer up, dear ones, who sadly do weep for happy is she, in Jesus she sleeps: Yes, she is now free from sickness and strife. Then call it not death, but eternal life. (written by Leona Clark, cousin by marriage)

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Vernon H. Hamby
Funeral service for Vernon H. Hamby, 89, Parowan, Utah, will be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 11, 1998, in the Fraker Funeral Home, Marshfield, Mo. with Rev. Bobby G. Thornton officiating.

Funeral service for Mrs. Hamby will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, 1998, at Trinity Memorial Park.

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ating. Burial will be in the Marshfield Cemetery. Mr. Hamby died Monday, July 6, at his home.

He was a retired foreman with the California Highway Department. He moved to Parowan, Utah, in October of 1991. Previously, he had lived in Grovespring, while in the Grovespring community, Mr. Hamby served as an elder at Harvest Tabernacle in Lebanon and a member of the CSEA.

Survivors include: his wife, Austa Hamby of Parowan, Utah; three daughters, LaVerne Chisum of Parowan, Utah, Jeanie Harris of Emmett, Ind., and Deanie Halderson of Mattoon, Ill.; a brother, Dalton Hamby of Big Spring; 12 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Arrangements under the direction of Fraker Funeral Home, Inc., Marshfield, Mo.

Macki Millaway
Service for Macki Millaway, 75, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Tuesday, July 7, 1998, in a local hospital.

Jesus Montez, Jr.
Service for Jesus Montez, Jr., 84, Stanton, is pending with Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

He died Tuesday, July 7, 1998, in Stanton.

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to be eligible for their certificates.

SUPPORT GROUPS

WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Sharon Beam, who is a licensed professional counselor interim specializing in play therapy for children, adolescent counseling and women's issues, available for clients at the First Presbyterian Church, Rannels and Eighth St. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

THURSDAY

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•A.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.

•Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, fourth Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway, 7 p.m.

•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

•Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.

IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

BRIEFS

A SCHOLARSHIP FUND HAS been set up in memory of Kenny Richardson at Big Spring High School. To contribute, take donations to the high school or mail to: 707 11th Place. For more information, call Janie McVean at 264-6211 or Gwen Storie, 264-3641.

UNITED BLOOD SERVICES WILL conduct a blood drive Thursday from 8-10:30 a.m. at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Office. If you have questions concerning donor qualifications or to schedule an appointment, call 268-7535.

ATTENTION CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS AND Churches! It is time to update information for our upcoming Community Guide. We want your listing to be accurate and up-to-date, and for that we need your help.

Clubs and organizations, please submit any changes in meeting times, places and contact person. Churches, please submit name, address and phone number of your church.

Fax the information to 264-7205 or drop it off at the Herald, 710 Scurry.

THE BIG SPRING EVENING Lions Club has free eyeglasses for all adults the second Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

bingo building, 1607 East Third. All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome. For more information call Al Valdes or Bob Noyes at 267-6095.

THERE WILL BE A Forsan All-Class Reunion Saturday, Aug. 1, 1998, from 9 a.m. to 7 at the Forsan High School cafeteria. All ex-students, spouses, teachers and friends are welcome to attend. The cost is \$10 per adult and \$6 per person under age 17. Morning refreshments and lunch included and preregistration would be very helpful.

If you have any questions please contact Boyce Hale at 267-6957 or Leon Calley at (713)466-5083 or (713)853-4613.

Donations are welcome so we can continue our ex-student newsletter as well as meet other expenses. Please contact other ex-students and let them know about the reunion.

THERE WILL BE A Hunter Education Course on Aug. 8-9 starting at 8 a.m. each day. According to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, if you were born on or after Sept. 2, 1971, and you are: age 17 and over, then you must successfully complete a hunter education course; age 12-16, then you must successfully complete a hunter education course or be accompanied by a licensed hunter 17 years of age or older; and under 12 years of age, then you must be accompanied by a licensed hunter 17 years of age or older.

However, any individual may take the course on a voluntary basis and is encouraged to attend regardless of requirements.

The cost is \$10. For more information call Boyce Hale at 267-6957 or the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Hunter Education section in Austin at 1-800-792-1112, ext. 6-3.

Tuesday's high 107
Tuesday's low 80
Average high 95
Average low 70
Record high 109 in 1994
Record low 56 in 1952
Precip. Tuesday 0.00
Month to date 0.26
Month's normal 0.53
Year to date 5.05
Normal for the year 9.32

Records

Police

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

• JUAN CORDOVA, 21, was arrested for driving without a license.

• RAUL MARTINEZ, 41, was arrested on local warrants.

• THEFT in the 1700 block of Marcy, the 3200 block of W. 9th, the 200 block of W. Marcy, and the 500 block of Westover Rd.

• BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE in the 1600 block of Rannels, and the 500 block of S. Gregg.

• FILING A FALSE POLICE

Markets

July cotton 82.50 cents, down 30 points; Aug. crude 14.06, up 44 points; Cash hogs steady at 45 cents lower at 37.50; cash steers steady at \$1 lower at 61 cents even; July lean hog futures 56.17 down 120 points; Aug. live cattle futures 64.12, down 17 points.

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Volume 178,098,240
ATT 57% + 1/2
Amoco 42% + 1/2
Atlantic Richfield 76% - 1/2
Atmos Energy 29% - 1/2
Calenergy Inc. 29% + 1/2

Texas Lottery

PICK 3: 7,1,1
CASH: 5,11,19,25,32,38

Chevron	83% + 1/2
Cifra	15% to 15%
Coca Cola	86% + 1/2
Compaq Computer	29% + 1/2
Cornell Correc.	20% + 1/2
De Beers	18% - 1/2
Diagnostic Health	9 + 1/2
DuPont	77 + 1/2
Excel Comm.	22% + 1/2
Exxon	73% + 1/2
Fina	65% + 1/2
Halliburton	43% + 1/2
IBM	114% + 1
Intel Corp	76% + 1/2
Medical Alliance	3% + 1/2
Mobil	77% + 1/2
Norwest	38% - 1/2
NUV	9 + 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	48% + 1/2
Palex Inc.	9% nc
Pepsi Cola	42% + 1/2
Parallel Petroleum	4% + 1/2
Rural/Metro	11% - 1/2
Sears	62 + 1/2
Southwestern Bell	39% - 1/2
Sun	38% + 1/2
Texasco	59% nc
Texas Instruments	58% + 1/2
Texas Utils. Co	42 + 1/2
Unocal Corp	36% + 1/2
Wal-Mart	61% + 1/2
Amcap	18.08-19.18
Euro Pacific	29.60-31.41
I.C.A.	31.90-33.85
New Perspective	23.29-24.71
Prime Rate	8.50%
Gold	292.20-292.70
Silver	5.27- 5.32

REPORT in the 400 block of E. 4th.

• BURGLARY of a BUILDING in the 1500 block of Scurry.

• FORGERY in the 1100 block of Benton, and the 200 block of W. Marcy.

• DISORDERLY CONDUCT/LANGUAGE in the 400 block of E. 4th.

• BURGLARY of a HABITATION in the 800 block of Creighton.

SHERIFF

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

• LUPE HERNANDEZ, 44, was arrested for possession of marijuana under 2oz.

• EARLE HANKE, 40, was arrested for driving while license suspended, and possession of a controlled substance.

• GLORIA TORRES, 31, was arrested on a motion to revoke parole.

• KENNETH STONEROOK, 28, was arrested for issuance of a bad check.

• MICHAEL MENDOZA, 30, was arrested for possession of marijuana under 2oz.

• ROBERTO MENDOZA, 50, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, possession of marijuana under 2oz.

• WILLIAM BRANTLEY, 69, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

• TROY JOBE, 32, was arrested for issuance of a bad check.

• GINA LEE GARLING, 27, was arrested for theft under \$50.

• DENISE HORTON, 35, was arrested for theft by check.

• DENNIS MARSH, 35, was arrested for public intoxication.

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:

TUESDAY
12:15 a.m. — 600 block W. I-20, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

2:25 a.m. — 3300 block Cornell, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

7:22 a.m. — 2000 block Virginia, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

10:02 a.m. — 200 block Refinery Road, medical call, service refused.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288
Claudie Clark, 86, died Tuesday. Funeral services will be 10:00 AM, Friday at Airport Baptist Church, with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331
Macki Millaway, 75, died Tuesday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Court orders Secret Service to testify

WASHINGTON (AP) — A step closer to gaining testimony from Secret Service employees in the investigation of President Clinton, prosecutor Kenneth Starr faces additional problems with the protective agency even if a court finally rules he may question the agents, a lawyer says.

On a day when three appellate judges said Starr could question Secret Service personnel before a grand jury, prime witness Linda Tripp learned that she was the focus of a new inquiry into whether her secret tape recordings of Monica Lewinsky violated Maryland state law.

"I am not intimidated in any way," said Mrs. Tripp, who will testify again Thursday in the probe of an alleged presidential affair and cover-up involving

Clinton and Ms. Lewinsky, a former White House intern.

Mrs. Tripp's lawyers, Anthony Zaccagnini and Joe Murtha, said the state prosecutor's investigation of their client was politically motivated and selective in nature.

In the aftermath of Tuesday's favorable federal appeals court ruling regarding the Secret Service, Starr said "we trust" that the law enforcement agency "will now join us in helping the grand jury gather information."

However, the Justice Department said it was considering going to the full appeals court or seeking a Supreme Court review. "Any action that could distance the Secret Service from the president increases the danger to his life

and that of future presidents," the department said.

Regardless of the outcome of the court battle, "the argument about Secret Service testimony" between Starr's office and the Secret Service "is not now limited to whether there's a protective function privilege," said Mike Leibig, who represents an association of uniformed Secret Service officers.

"If the courts go against the Service and Starr takes the position that uniformed officers can testify about anything, that would seriously undermine the interest behind the privilege" and additional disputes would emerge, said Leibig. The Secret Service argues that presidents will "push away" their protectors if agents and officers can be compelled to testify later about

what they saw or heard.

Leibig questioned what use Starr would make of Secret Service testimony, especially whether it would be submitted to the House as part of any impeachment report the prosecutor might file.

The appeals court upheld U.S. District Judge Norma Holloway Johnson in saying there was no protective function privilege in a grand jury setting. However, the appeals judges said that "we express no opinion about the propriety" of asserting a protective function privilege in other legal proceedings.

Away from Washington, Maryland prosecutor Stephen Montanarelli opened a grand jury inquiry into whether state law was violated by Mrs. Tripp's secret tape recordings.

NATIONAL BRIEFS

\$20,000 signing bonus mullied for teachers

BOSTON (AP) — If the simple desire to teach isn't enough to draw the best to the classroom, maybe cold cash will. A top Massachusetts legislator is proposing a \$20,000 signing bonus to lure top college graduates to become teachers.

"We're never going to pay teachers what corporate lawyers get, but that doesn't mean you can't do something to attract better people," Senate President Thomas Birmingham said in today's Boston Globe.

Of nearly 1,800 prospective teachers who took Massachusetts' first teacher certification test this year, 59 percent failed.

Nationally, schools must replace 2 million of their 2.7 million teachers during the next eight years, and a few school districts have offered signing bonuses for new teachers, according to the Globe.

But the amounts are much smaller: Dallas offered \$1,500; Baltimore offered \$5,000 toward a new house.

Bonuses of \$20,000 would compare favorably with recruiting offers from other fields, said Birmingham, a Democrat.

Average starting salary for a teacher in Massachusetts is \$26,000; top salaries reach about \$60,000.

Dow Corning to agree on bankruptcy plan

NEW YORK (AP) — Dow Corning Corp. has tentatively agreed to a bankruptcy plan that would pay \$3.2 billion to about 400,000 women for ailments related to ruptured silicone breast implants, The Wall Street Journal reported today.

The settlement between Dow Corning and representatives for the women could be announced by a bankruptcy court in Bay City, Mich. as early as today.

The deal, which calls for Dow Corning to end its three-year stay in Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, opens the way for women to be compensated for immune system illnesses allegedly caused by silicone and to receive payments for ruptured implants.

Women could also choose to receive \$5,000 to have the implants removed, the paper reported.

The agreement is similar to a November 1995 deal signed by other corporate defendants, including Bristol-Myers Squibb Co., in which women have received an average of \$26,000. The Dow Corning deal calls for women to receive an average of \$31,000 for disease and disability compensation, the paper said.

Judge allows exhumation of 16th body

BRAZIL, Ind. (AP) — A 16th body can be exhumed in the investigation of a former nurse accused of killing six patients under his care and suspected in the deaths of dozens of others, a judge ruled.

The exhumation and forensic tests on the body of a 91-year-old woman who died in February 1995 could lead to a seventh murder charge against Orville Lynn Majors. Judge Ernest Yelton approved the prosecution's request Tuesday.

Majors worked as a licensed practice nurse at the former Vermillion County Hospital between 1993 and 1995, a period when the death rate was three times normal on the intensive care ward where he worked.

Authorities say Majors is a suspect in more than 100 deaths at the hospital.

Police searches of Majors' former home and a van he drove turned up syringes, needles and a variety of drugs.

They include potassium chloride, which prosecutors contend is suspected in four of the six deaths in which he is charged with murder.

The trial was moved to Clay County from Vermillion County amid concerns about pretrial news coverage.

Majors' mother, Anna Majors, said her son is innocent.

"If they bring another 100 (bodies) up, it doesn't bother me," she said. "He didn't do anything."

Jury convicts teen of killing Cosby's son

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — No one picked Mikail Markhasev out of a police lineup. His fingerprints were nowhere to be found at the murder scene. Only a single hair tied him to the gun that killed Bill Cosby's only son.

It was his own words — in jailhouse letters and in a taped phone conversation with a police informant — that persuaded jurors to convict Markhasev of killing Ennis Cosby on a dark highway while he stopped to change a flat tire last year.

Cosby's family wept and hugged each other as the verdicts were read Tuesday after

less than six hours of deliberations. The actor and comedian, who had avoided most of the trial, was not in the courtroom.

"The whole thing was open and shut, or at least close to that," said juror Joseph Burnett Vagner, 78. "In those letters he convicted himself."

Markhasev, a 19-year-old Ukrainian immigrant, stared stonefaced at the jury as he was found guilty of murder in commission of an attempted robbery. He also was found guilty of two special circumstance allegations: attempting to rob Cosby and using a firearm in the commission of attempted robbery.

The jury's finding on all counts automatically mandates a life prison term with no possibility of parole at his Aug. 11 sentencing. Prosecutors did not seek the death penalty, presumably because of the defendant's age.

Cosby had no comment. "The Cosby family is satisfied with the judicial process that has led to this conviction," Cosby spokesman David Brokaw said.

Markhasev's family arrived too late to hear the verdicts, but his mother, grandmother and a female cousin were allowed to see him later. Mother and son exchanged words in Russian, then the family left without

comment, heads and faces draped in scarves.

Deputy Public Defender Henry Hall said he will appeal the conviction.

He said he didn't think the "celebrity" of the Cosby family had a direct impact on the trial, but he blamed the media for the conviction.

"I think it's very clear from the tenor of the coverage in the case that there was an expectation that Mr. Markhasev would be convicted, and it's hard to operate in a country with a presumption of innocence when the societal presumption or expectation is a conviction," he said.

President embraces Senate bill on child access to guns

WASHINGTON (AP) — Taking aim at a leading contributor to youth violence, President Clinton is endorsing a bipartisan Senate bill on restricting children's access to firearms and taking executive action to strengthen current gun laws.

Clinton was scheduled to make the announcement today at a Rose Garden ceremony before a joint session of Congress to include a measure on youth firearms as part of a comprehensive anti-crime legislation, officials said.

Clinton has spoken out frequently on youth gun violence in the weeks since a spate of shooting incidents at schools, including the May 21 attack on students at a high school in Springfield, Ore. During a visit to the school last month, Clinton endorsed legislation introduced by Oregon Sens. Ron Wyden and Gordon Smith to require that students caught with guns be held over by officials for 72 hours of observation and evaluation.

Clinton also has urged congressional action this session on his proposal for a lifetime ban on gun purchases by violent juveniles, and for \$95 million in crime prevention efforts, including after-school programs.

Sen. John H. Chafee, R-R.I., said Clinton had agreed to back his proposal, introduced with Sen. Richard Durbin, D-Ill.

The proposal already has the backing of gun control advocates Jim and Sarah Brady, as well as the Children's Defense Fund and the American Academy of Pediatrics, Chafee said. It is designed to encourage adults to store their guns and bullets safely out of reach of children.

Under the Chafee-Durbin proposal, an adult who left a loaded gun in a bureau drawer, for example, would face criminal penalties if the gun were used by a child to harm someone.

"There are few bills where lawmakers can make a real difference and where we can rightly claim to be saving children's lives; this is surely one of them," Chafee said.

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—FIRST AMENDMENT

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Junior Rodeo set to begin Thursday

It's once again time for the Hoard County 4-H Club Junior Rodeo and, quite honestly, it's hard to believe it is now 53 years young, but it is! Beginning Thursday night and continuing through Saturday, more than 500 youngsters will compete for points in the race for top honors in the High Plains Junior Rodeo Association.

Action gets under way at 7 p.m. both Thursday and Friday and at 6 p.m. on Saturday night at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl.

There are some important things to remember about our Junior Rodeo:

- It offers youngsters the opportunity to gain experience and develop a level of expertise in the one sport that is truly American in origin;
- It helps preserve our Southwestern heritage through the preservation of rodeo and the assimilation of youngsters into the sport;
- It is an integral part of the 4-H Clubs' four-fold development of head, heart, hands and health.

The Junior Rodeo happens only because of the commitment of a number of dedicated men and women who work with 4-H to help ensure our rural American way of life is preserved.

These same men and women work with these youngsters on a year-around basis to help them grow as young men and women through the work they do on their various projects and through the activities in which they participate, such as this rodeo.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

"Pops in the Park" was a wonderful gift to Big Spring! As we listened to the beautiful music (we sang along), we were "caught up" in the best city wide musical we have experienced in the almost 30 years we have lived here.

The beautiful fireworks made it a perfect Fourth of July celebration. The efforts of all those who put the program together did a great job.

We are looking forward already to July '99 for a repeat performance!

BOB & MARJORIE GOODWIN
Big Spring

P.S. — We watched the Boston Pops on Saturday night. I would have to honestly say "ours" was much better.

TO THE EDITOR:

This is to convey my deepest thanks to you and your staff for the support and coverage you gave to the "Pops in the Park" program. What a great program! I know all of Big Spring appreciate what our citizens did to bring this program to town.

MAX WILLIAM WEBB
Executive Director
Northside Comm.Center

TO THE EDITOR:

I am writing this letter to acknowledge an individual here in Big Spring who has, indeed, made a difference in the lives of several 13, 14 and 15-year-old boys.

Brandon Rodgers doesn't have any children. A man in his early twenties, he chooses to coach Little League teams because of two loves — love of baseball and his intense caring about what happens in the lives of young men who love the game.

Last year, Brandon was instrumental in coaching the 13-year-old Big Spring Blue farther than any other Big Spring Junior league team has gone. This team won the district title, won the sectional title and finished second in the sectionals. This

year, Brandon, along with manager Delvin Guinn, who also deserves much recognition, will coach the 14 and 15 year old Senior League team whose tournament begins today in Odessa.

Brandon also deserves much credit because he was the catalyst in making sure that the league fields at Roy Anderson Complex received the desperately needed new lighting recently replaced by the city of Big Spring. For many years, many individuals complained about the dilapidated conditions of the field, but Brandon was moved to action. He initiated a petition, which was signed by more than 100 adults and then faxed this petition to the city council, city offices, Big Spring Herald, and KBST. When this came to the attention of the Herald Editor John Walker, who is also the chairperson of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Convention and Visitors Bureau, immediate action was taken and this year's tournament will be played fully lighted.

Brandon has taught my son and many other boys more than just baseball. He stresses professionalism and sportsmanship above all other qualities. I hope that by writing this letter, Brandon receives the recognition he deserves for obtaining the lights for Roy Anderson Complex as well as the positive impact he has made forever in the lives of our young men.

In addition, I'd like to applaud the efforts of many others who also pushed for the new lighting. They are: Jay Phinney of the Karat Patch, John Walker and John Moseley of the Herald, Terri Newton of the Chamber of Commerce, and Kent Sharp of the Moore Development Board. Thanks to all of you and thank you to Brandon Rodgers who moved this very important project along.

BARBARA MORRISON
Big Spring

Roy Rogers' passing brings back memories

Random thoughts about Roy Rogers as the heat rages on and the grass in my yard gets more and more brown ...

I spent a couple of hours the other night watching the A&E Network's "Biography" special on Roy Rogers.

You know there's a definite generation gap when you are in a discussion about Roy Rogers and someone turns and looks at you and says, "I know you'll probably think I'm crazy, but who was Roy Rogers?"

But it wasn't that young person's fault that we, as a society, have allowed our heroes to pass.

Roy, Hoppy, Gene, Cisco — we knew them as our Saturday heroes, but they were much more than that.

In an era when it still meant

something for our country's president to be an ethical man, these cowboy heroes were there each week to teach us another lesson about the rules of life.

As we've gotten older, I'm sure many of us have had doubts at one time or another about those lessons, but they are just as true today as they were when we were youngsters.

Roy Rogers, Hopalong Cassidy, Gene Autry, the Cisco Kid and the Lone Ranger — from them we learned that right will always win out, that honesty is the best policy and that we should do unto others as we would have them do unto us.

Yes, we had heard and read those admonitions elsewhere as well.

They were lessons we learned from our parents and teachers and from The Bible.

But in those simpler times, those lessons were hammered home as Roy Rogers and Dale Evans rounded up the bad guys ... as Bullet knocked an owl

hoot from astride his horse at full gallop ... as Roy led us in the cowboy's prayer and

reminded us of the cowboy's 10 commandments.

Through the simplicity of a Saturday morning western, we learned lessons about trust ... about integrity ... about honesty and, perhaps most important of all, about being able to rely on one another and to work together.

While the shows were basically all the same, the stars were different.

Roy Rogers was truly the "King of the Cowboys."

Today, they call them Grade B Westerns, those movies he and Dale and Gene and Hoppy and the Cisco Kid starred in.

Grade B is supposed to be a low-grade film ... with little story line and a low budget ... and it is supposed to fade in the shadows of today's "classics" such as "Robocop" and "Waterworld" and any of the other money pits that draw an audience only because of the massive amounts of money spent on advertising.

I prefer to think of Grade B as meaning the best.

The cowboy heroes of our youth drew audiences week after week because their work was enjoyable ... because it was

entertaining and because, whether we realized it or not, we learned something beneficial that would stay with us the rest of our lives.

There were no massive advertising campaigns. You learned about upcoming movies by watching the previews while waiting anxiously for the main feature at the theatre.

The Walker Family cousins spent many hours at the Melroy Theater on Main Street in Taylorsville, Miss. as we grew up.

There were many Saturdays that we watched Roy and Dale, along with Trigger, Buttermilk, Bullet, Gabby Hayes, Pat Brady and the Sons of the Pioneers and when the movie was over, every one of us wanted to be "The King of the Cowboys" as we battled the desperadoes of the Old West.

Roy Rogers' passing brings the door to the past closer to being closed. It takes us nearer a time when all we'll have are memories or our heroes — and dreams that that will never die.

(John H. Walker is managing editor of the Herald.)

JOHN H. WALKER



All about a cat named 'Little Bit'

Ruby Beatty and her husband V. R. live in Wharton and take care of a cat named Little Bit.

"One Sunday after church, a couple new to the congregation that we hardly knew, asked us if we would take care of their cat until they could get it," says Ruby.

The couple were on their way to Senegal, West Africa.

The Beattys agreed and the cat, named Little Bit, moved in.

The cat is now twenty years old and the Beattys have had it nearly eleven years.

The owners of the cat are Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Kennedy. Mr. Kennedy works for an international firm and travels all over the world.

The Kennedys pay the Beattys a dollar a day to take care of Little Bit.

"They pay the vet bills on

her," says Ruby, "and they send her \$5 for her birthday and five dollars for Christmas.

"That's when Mr. Beatty and I have steaks."

Ruby Beatty says Little Bit gets plenty of tender loving care. The cat eats only fresh liver.

"I had a difficult time convincing the butcher that it must be cut fresh, that Little Bit would not eat liver that came out of that pan, out of that case that smells like those sausages and things," says Ruby.

"I could make my husband eat that liver that comes from the case, but I couldn't convince the cat to do it."

Mr. Kennedy found the cat in Canada when he was on his way to work one day.

There had been a heavy snowstorm the night before and the car ahead of him slowed down.

Someone inside threw something from the vehicle. It turned out to be a kitten that landed in a snow bank.

Mr. Kennedy stopped and picked up the helpless animal, which didn't even have its eyes open yet. He stayed home from work a couple of days

while he and his wife attended to the young kitty.

They took turns getting up in the middle of the night and feeding it warm milk with a medicine dropper. Little Bit rallied to the care and was soon enjoying good health.

Every once in awhile, the Kennedys go to Wharton for a visit with Little Bit.

"They flew in from Madagascar the other day," says Ruby.

"They landed in New York, took the plane on down to Houston, rented a car and drove out here."

The Kennedys told Ruby they were arriving about noon, so she fixed lunch for them.

As soon as they got inside the house, they rushed over to where Little Bit was taking a nap.

The cat sort of raised its head as if to say hello, then went back to sleep.

The Kennedys had their lunch, got back in their car, went back to New York and wherever they went from there.

Big Spring resident Bob Lewis is Tumbleweed Smith.



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Border agents killed by murder suspect

SAN BENITO (AP) — Both Ernest Moore and Susan Lynn Rodriguez came from law enforcement families. They ended up on opposite sides of a gunfight, and both ended up dead.

Ms. Rodriguez and fellow Border Patrol agent Ricardo Guillermo Salinas were among four people killed by Moore Tuesday in what apparently started as a jealous rampage over an ex-girlfriend.

It ended with Moore ambushing law officers, including the Border Patrol agents, who were searching for him. The 25-year-old also died from gunshots he suffered in the shootout.

The bloodbath left the quiet, rural area stunned.

"I've been here over seven years, and nothing like this has

ever happened," Carlos Gonzalez, police chief in Rio Hondo, where the ordeal started early Tuesday, told The Brownsville Herald. "There has been only one other homicide since I have been here."

Said Chad Bender, who lives near one of the crime scenes: "It is shocking that this happened, but this is a crazy world we live in."

Ms. Rodriguez, 28, was carrying on a family tradition of service when she became the first woman Border Patrol agent killed in the line of duty. She was the daughter of retired El Paso Deputy Border Patrol Chief Steve Williams.

Moore, 25, was the son of a longtime Harlingen police officer and the brother of a San Benito officer. His family was

fairly well-known in the city, said John Huerta, who'd known Moore since they were high school classmates.

"Everybody knew who his dad was," Huerta said. "They were nice people. They liked to travel. They were always fishing."

The ordeal began about 5:30 a.m. at a Rio Hondo home where Moore went looking for his ex-girlfriend, who was a house guest there, Gonzalez said.

Law enforcement officials who asked not to be identified told the Valley Morning Star that Moore had made several threatening calls to the home.

He was believed to have driven by the home hours before the shooting and saw the ex-girlfriend's car there.

He opened fire after entering the home through a back door and shot 53-year-old Margarita Flores, her 31-year-old daughter, Della Morin, and 22-year-old son, Dan Morin.

The Houston Chronicle, citing relatives of the victims' family, reported today that Morin had been dating Moore's ex-girlfriend, Julie Cox, for about a month.

Dan Morin's brother, Donald, told the Chronicle that Morin demanded Ms. Cox leave with him.

Ms. Flores unexpectedly emerged from a bathroom, and Moore turned and started shooting, Donald Morin said.

The mother and daughter were killed. Dan Morin was in critical condition late Tuesday. Ms. Cox was not hurt.

Compaq shows fingerprint ID for computer operators

HOUSTON (AP) — Logging onto a computer soon could be just a fingertip away.

Compaq Computer Corp. on Tuesday introduced Fingerprint Identification Technology, a way to use a person's fingerprint instead of a password to log into a computer network in the workplace.

The technology uses a device, about the size of a deck of cards, that plugs into the office computer. A camera takes a picture of a person's fingerprint, and software transforms the fingerprint into a point map that is stored for future reference. Later, a user holds a finger to the camera, and the computer matches the stored print map to the fingerprint.

The product is expected to become widely available next month.

"No question that this is of great value," Tim Bajarin, president of the Creative Strategies industry-research firm, told the Houston Chronicle.

Though network security is important, even for small companies, Bajarin said it will be three to five years before this type of technology becomes widespread.

The identifier initially will help companies that have computer networks by providing increased security and easing the log-in process, said Michael Takemura, Compaq's product marketing manager for desktop products.

Products similar to Compaq's already are on the market.

But Compaq hopes to capitalize on its product's relatively cheaper price, \$99.

SecureTouch from Biometric Access Corp., for example, sells for \$199.

The price tag for the Compaq device is "a little more palatable," Takemura said.

The identifier was the result of collaboration between Compaq and Identicator Technology.

Vatican strips Rudy Kos of responsibilities

FORT WORTH (AP) — Convicted pedophile priest Rudolph "Rudy" Kos no longer can be involved in Catholic Church ministry of any kind, the Vatican has decided.

Acting on a request from the Catholic Diocese of Dallas, the Vatican has taken the rare step of returning Kos to lay status, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported in Wednesday's editions.

Kos' ordination was not nullified — which experts said is a more extreme measure — but he cannot appeal the decision.

The 53-year-old is serving a life sentence at a prison in Huntsville. Friends said Kos

was unaware of the Vatican's decision Tuesday.

In an April interview with the Star-Telegram after his criminal trial, Kos said of his priesthood, "They can't ever take that away from me."

Genny Carder of Irving, a friend of Kos' who testified on his behalf at his criminal trial, voiced anger at his removal.

"I don't think that's quite right. I think he is a priest, and I think he always will be," Ms. Carder said. "He has my total support and, yes, he still is my priest."

The Catholic Diocese of Dallas was ordered last July to pay \$119.6 million in a civil suit

brought by 10 former altar boys and the parents of an 11th who committed suicide.

Three plaintiffs have settled for \$7.5 million, and the remaining eight are close to reaching a settlement.

In a criminal trial later, Kos was convicted of molesting four boys more than 1,350 times between 1987 and 1992 while he was assigned to St. Luke's Catholic Church in Irving and St. John's in Ennis.

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Meeting today to address Navy's intentions to ship napalm to Texas

DEER PARK (AP) — Residents of this South Texas town finally get their chance to tell the Navy what they think about a shipment of napalm that's headed their way.

But first, a U.S. Congressman wants to give his opinion on the controversial topic.

U.S. Rep. Ken Bentsen, D-Houston, has planned a news conference for 3 p.m. today at Deer Park City Hall. Three hours later, the Navy has scheduled a public hearing on the matter.

"He believes there needs to be a place where hard-hitting questions can be asked," Bentsen press secretary Vince Willmore told The North (San Diego) County Times of Escondido,

Calif. The congressman considers the later meeting "more of an open house," Willmore said.

The Navy agreed earlier this month to hold off on shipping about 3.3 million gallons of Vietnam-era napalm from just north of San Diego to Texas for at least a month to allow for public input.

Environmental Protection Agency officials wait all the napalm moved for recycling by July 15.

An Indiana company dropped a controversial \$28 million contract to recycle the napalm after residents and elected officials protested. Bentsen said four Texas firms have bid on the project, but Navy officials won't confirm that report.

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Martin Old Settlers to gather Saturday

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

On Saturday, old and young, former and current settlers of Martin County will gather to remember their heritage.

It's time for the 65th Martin County Old Settlers Reunion.

Events will start at 9 a.m. with registration for all visitors at the Martin County Community Center. The traditional downtown parade begins at 10 a.m.

This year's theme, "Through the Gate in '98," leaves the decorating options open for participants.

"It is anything goes," said Kathleen Lewis, secretary of the Old Settlers Reunion committee.

"That's whatever you can think of," agreed Charlotte White, president.

This year's parade float entries are likely to include school classes, clubs and organizations. Judging of floats begins at 9:15 a.m. at the Methodist Church, with cash prizes for first, second and third place. Certificates will go to the best non-theme float and the best class reunion float.

There will also be a "mystery rider" wearing a mask, with participants asked to guess his or her identity.

"We have had him riding a horse, in a golf cart, just all sorts of things," said Lewis. Ballot box for guesses will be at the community center.

History big part of reunion

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

In addition to a day of family fun and visiting with old friends, Martin County will honor its history Saturday during the Old Settlers Reunion.

The E.B. Holcomb family, residents of the county since 1927, will be special guests at a reception from 2-3:30 p.m. in the Martin County Historical Museum.

The family arrived Nov. 27, 1927 from Mount Vernon, according to information from the museum.

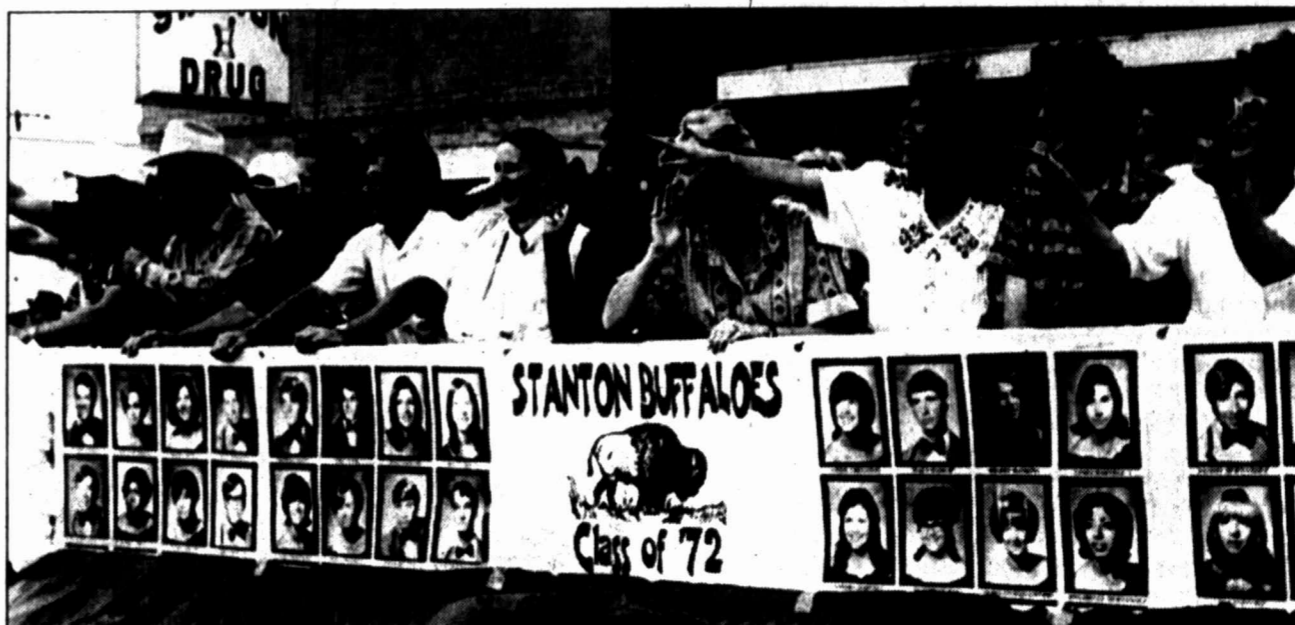
Clarence Holcomb and his wife, Exa, and daughter Valerie, arrived first in their pickup, with a dresser and camping gear. Then more relatives arrived on the train.

The families farmed the four Rollow farms in 1928, which was a very dry year. Then Earl and Floy Holcomb bought one and a half sections of land near Three League, which is still owned by the family.

The family was always See HISTORY, Page 7A.



The Martin County Old Settlers Reunion is set for Saturday in downtown Stanton, with the traditional activities such as these, all shown in file photos from past celebrations. Above, games and contests are planned for the whole family. Above, right, special honors were bestowed on the Haggard family in 1993. This year's honorees will be the E.B. Holcomb family. And class reunions, such as the one at right, from 1992, are a big part of the day.



Stanton's Best Band Herd, the high school's Buffalo band, will also join the parade for musical accompaniment.

After the parade, the Martin County Chamber of Commerce will sponsor games for the whole family. Stanton Care Center will sell hot dogs, corn dogs and cold drinks, and sandwiches will be available for the community center.

Several school class reunions are planned for the afternoon, and musical acts and visiting will continue in the community center all day.

Tours of the old jail and the history museum will be available until 4 p.m.

Johnny's Barbecue will cater an evening meal for \$6 a plate.

A program begins at 7:30 p.m., with all class reunions

asked to give a summary of their gathering, and honors bestowed on several categories of reunion participants: Oldest, longest distance travelled, etc.

The chamber of commerce will sponsor a dance outside the community center following the program.

A day packed with a variety of events is expected to draw people of all ages, organizers

said.

"We'll see people who used to attend school, current residents of the county and former residents of the county," White said. "It's going to be a busy day."

For more information about joining in the festivities, or becoming part of the parade, call Beverly North at 756-2055 or Kathleen Lewis at 756-3744.

Home canning success requires care

In the past, homemakers canned out of necessity. Today, homemakers preserve food because they enjoy what is becoming a lost art, they prefer the taste of freshly preserved foods from their own garden and when you preserve food yourself you know exactly what goes into it.

There are several ways to home preserve foods drying, freezing, and canning. Today I will talk a little about canning.

Home canning preserves the natural goodness of foods and keeps them from spoiling. Foods spoil because of the action of yeasts, molds, bacteria and enzymes. This action is stopped by the home canning process which treats food with heat and protects it with an airtight seal. Processing times and temperatures vary with different kinds of food.

There are two methods of canning: pressure and water bath.

Pressure canning requires a specially-made heavy pot which can be closed steam tight. The lid is fitted with a pressure gauge and petcock and a safety fuse. Pressure canners allow the food inside to reach high temperatures which will kill the spores of Clostridium botulinum which causes botulism, a deadly form of food-borne illness. These spores grow well in low acid foods without air. Vegetables and

meats are considered low acid as well as seafood, poultry and dairy products. Luckily, pressure canning allows high temperatures to be reached so these spores can be killed.

Foods that are high in acid don't allow the growth of the botulism spores so their deadly toxin cannot be formed. High acid foods can be safely canned at boiling water temperature thus boiling water bath canning. This type of food preservation is appropriate for high-acid foods such as fruits, tomatoes and pickled vegetables.

It is important to follow directions for canning methods and processing times exactly to assure that you will have a safe, high quality end product. It is definitely too much work to have a product that is inedible.

Containers for canning are very important. Only standard, home-canning type jars should be used. These should be of good quality, designated for home canning and free of nicks and cracks.

Do not use recycled salad dressing or pickle jars -- these are not designed for home canning.

A two-piece, self-seal lid should be used. This lid seals as the jar cools after processing. Metal flats can be used only once, as they have a special compound around the edge that enhances the sealing process.

Screwbands, however, can be used again and again as long as they are not rusty or dented. Lids should be pretreated according to manufacturer's instructions.

There are a number of utensils that can be purchased to assist in preparation for canning of foods. Some of the essential items include a jar lifter, funnel, bubble freer (or plastic knife), clean cloths, timer, hot pads. There are many other items on the market which may help to simplify the process of canning.

One word of caution: Many things have changed over the last several years regarding food preservation. To assure that your favorite recipes are up to date with appropriate procedures and processing times you may want to compare with newer food preservation manuals.

Dana Tarter is Howard County Extension Agent - Home Economics.



DANA TARTER

Gourmet firehouse Firefighters grow fresh herbs, create own 'culinary heaven'

By DIANE LA MORTE

Corpus Christi Caller-Times

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas — A slice of culinary heaven waits at the end of the mess line at Fire Station No. 3.

Some nights, firefighters pile linguine al dente onto their plastic plates and smother it with shrimp in a Palermo cream sauce.

At other meals during their 24-hour shifts, they scoop chicken and sausage jambalaya into bowls with a slice of cornbread balanced on the rim.

But the busiest fire station in the city is surrounded by old wooden houses and a high concentration of nursing homes along Morgan Avenue — not five-star restaurants.

Instead of ordering takeout or cooking prepackaged food, the firefighters on the A shift eat two gourmet meals each day prepared in the galley-style kitchen with city-issued pots, pans and utensils. They pay for their own food. So the menu selection is limited by only by what eight sets of taste buds can agree upon.

Of course, it does help to have a chef-turned-firefighter on duty. And since the best meals are made with the freshest ingredients, it helps to have a herb and vegetable garden outside — planted, of course, by the station's agriculture major-turned-firefighter.

"I'm underappreciated," laments Markus Benys, a former Lighthouse Restaurant chef who bench presses 225

pounds, but sometimes takes up to three hours to cook a meal for his fellow firefighters. "I cook some things I work really hard on, and the guys just grunt and eat it in five minutes."

With fresh produce growing outside and exotic herbs and aromas scenting the air inside, Fire Station No. 3 is not your typical bastion of boredom between emergency calls.

True, the firefighters there still watch TV and lift weights between calls. But they've also peppered their shifts with a quest for culinary excellence.

It all started last year, when one of the shift cooks kept after firefighter John Brunner, who studied agriculture at Texas A&M-Kingsville, to help him out.

The cook wanted fresh herbs to impart a stronger flavor to his meals-for-a-crowd. He asked Brunner to plant a small plot of the basics — tarragon, basil, parsley and garlic — outside. "He kept hounding me about it, so finally I said 'OK, let's do it,'" Brunner says.

But Brunner, whom the others nicknamed "Captain Planet" because of his environmental bent, went a little further. He used his expertise, took a few refresher classes in master gardening and created two gardens: one for herbs, one for vegetables.

Now the shift cooks can choose from among five kinds of fresh basil, pineapple mint, Vietnamese coriander and other herbs to flavor food.

New drugs target growing women's market

MARIETTA, Ga. (AP) — Menopause was more than a change for Claudette Loda. It threatened to ruin her life.

"It wasn't gradual — it was like falling off a pier," the California woman recalled. "My body went into a shock."

Pain, weakness, sudden problems with allergies, and other symptoms sidelined her from activities such as tennis, hiking, dancing — "everything I loved to do."

She refused to accept that. And like many others in the growing population of baby-

An estimated 25 million American women are now of menopausal age and will live with menopause for one-third of their lives.

boom women who have reached menopause, she demanded medical help.

"Women's health is truly a major growth area for the industry," said Jim Hynd, group product director for women's health at Solvay Pharmaceuticals' U.S. headquarters in Marietta.

In June, Solvay, part of a

Belgium-based company, introduced to the U.S. market the drug Prometrium, the first plant-based progesterone pill for menstrual disruption available here.

In Europe, however, that kind of medicine has been sold for nearly two decades.

After Ms. Loda hit menopause eight years ago, her

doctor prescribed hormone-replacement therapy. It left her with severe headaches and depression, and she quit.

Her doctor told her about the European drug. She tried it and was able to resume her active life. Today, in her 50s, she still exercises every day, from aerobics to tennis. She has relied on friends traveling to Europe to pick up her medicine.

An estimated 25 million American women are now of menopausal age and will live with menopause for one-third

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HEALTH NEWS

Ways to avoid, reduce jet lag

(NAPS) — With so many people traveling this summer, here are some tips from Kaiser Permanente International Travel Clinic for reducing jet lag:

- Plan your trip to arrive at the new destination in the early evening. Then go to bed on local time.
- Upon boarding, reset your watch to the new time and try to adjust eating and sleeping accordingly.
- Exercise on the plane a bit by walking and stretching.
- Drink a lot of water. Airplane cabins are dry and dehydration accentuates jet lag.
- Force your body to adjust to the local time as soon as possible with activity, exercise and mealtime changes.
- Once arriving, try to sleep only at night. Daytime naps only prolong jet lag.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Blood drive Thursday

United Blood Services will conduct a blood drive Thursday from 8-10:30 a.m. at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Office. If you have questions concerning donor qualifications or to schedule an appointment, call 268-7535.

Scrapbooking basics

There will be a "scrapbooking basics" workshop, Tuesday, July 14 from 7-9 p.m., East Fourth Baptist Church, 401 E. Fourth St. There is a \$20 fee which includes all supplies needed to make an album page.

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Hillary's wedding dress to Nixon's love letters part of presidential exhibit

YORBA LINDA, Calif. (AP) — The year is 1940. Young lawyer Richard Milhous Nixon, not yet infamous for his foul mouth and dirty tricks, is writing a love letter.

The recipient is his fiancée, a schoolteacher named Thelma Catherine Ryan, known as Pat. "Do you remember that funny guy who asked you to go to a so-so ladies' night about two years ago?" Nixon panned. "Well, you know that though he still may be funny — he's changed since then."

"And when the winds blow and the rains fall and the sun shines through the clouds (as it is now), he still resolves as he did then, that nothing so fine ever happened to him or anyone else as falling in love with Thee — my dearest heart."

A new museum exhibit features written proof that behind the facade of American presidents dwell regular guys madly in love with their wives — mistresses notwithstanding and not mentioned.

"Dearest Partner: Husbands

and Wives in the White House" runs through November at the Richard Nixon Library & Birthplace in the Orange County community of Yorba Linda. It peeks into the courtships and marriages of 30 presidents and first ladies, revealing endearing nicknames, lovestruck prose and heartbreaking loss.

A besotted John Adams called his wife, Abigail, "Miss Adorable." Putting quill to parchment and abandoning decorum, he demanded kisses

before marriage in a letter dated October 7, 1762. Fourteen years later, in the same painstaking hand, he signed the Declaration of Independence.

"By the same token that the Bearer hereof sat up with you last night I hereby order you to give him as many kisses and as many hours of your company after six o'clock as he shall please to demand and charge them to my account," Adams wrote his intended.

Theodore Roosevelt called Alice Roosevelt "my sweetest

little wife." Lonely while campaigning for the New York State Assembly, Roosevelt wrote in 1881, "I so longed for you when I received your darling letter that I could hardly contain my desire to see you. Oh, my sweetest true-love, pray for nothing but that I may be worthy of you."

On Valentine's Day in 1894, Alice Roosevelt died after giving birth. The same day, in the same house, Roosevelt's mother died of typhoid fever. Shattered, he moved to a

Dakota Territory ranch and never spoke of his first bride again, not even to their only child, who was named after her mother.

Nixon Library curator Olivia Anastasiadis and first lady biographer Carl Anthony spent two years culling artifacts from universities, the Library of Congress and the private closets of Barbara Bush, Betty Ford and Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Mrs. Clinton sent her wedding dress to the exhibit. See EXHIBIT, Page 8A.

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of their lives, Hynd said. Millions of women take estrogen to counter the effects of menopause. But many women refuse to take it because of its potential to increase the risk of breast cancer and other side effects.

Research has taken off with the world's pharmaceutical giants pursuing new drugs.

"Basically, it's being driven by demographics. The large demographics equate to dollars: serve your market," said Melissa Wilmoth, a Salomon Smith Barney analyst.

Solvay earlier this year gained Food and Drug Administration approval to market Estratab, a yam-based drug containing half the usual dose of estrogen, to protect against thinning bones. It hopes the progesterone drug, Prometrium, will gain FDA approval later this year for use with estrogen in hormone-replacement therapy that helps protect women against bone and heart disease.

Eli Lilly and Co. has said its new non-hormonal drug Evista, approved for treatment of osteoporosis, was being tested with favorable results for reducing the risk of breast cancer and heart disease.

And Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories announced nationwide availability of its Crinone progesterone gel for menstrual disruption.

Premarin, an estrogen replacement introduced in 1942, is now prescribed to some 9 million women, making it the most prescribed drug in the United States.

Estrogen is good at relieving hot flashes but also causes menstrual periods to resume in most women. Studies show that many women — as Ms. Loda did with her first drugs — stop taking them because of side effects.

Dr. Robert W. Rebar, chairman of the obstetrics and gynecology department at the University of Cincinnati, said liability and public relations concerns in the past made some companies reluctant to focus on drugs tied to women's reproductive cycles.

But extensive testing has reduced cancer and other risks, and there is now "recognition that there are clearly many, many women that could benefit," Rebar said. Also, the baby-boom generation came of age during the women's movement and is unwilling to be "as silent as women used to be" about their needs, he noted.

In 1993, Wyeth-Ayerst established a Women's Health Research Institute to focus on menopausal disorders. It has more products in its development pipeline for "unmet medical needs" of menopausal women, spokesman Doug Petkus said.

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active in community and church activities, according to museum information.

Another activity at the reunion Saturday will be the dedication of a historical marker at the Connell House in Stanton, 406 Convent Street. That ceremony is planned for 4 p.m. at the home, which originally belonged to the priest associated with the convent. The museum has restored the house and its furnishings to commemorate the 1930s. Tours will be available after the dedication.

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Family searching for lost pet

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Have you seen Peaches? The Smiley family of Big Spring is searching for their lost dog after she was frightened and escaped from their yard during the weekend's fireworks.

"She's gotten out several times before, and she's always been waiting for us in the front yard," said Becky Smiley, who with her husband, Dennis, got the dog seven years ago as a companion for their children.

This weekend, the Smileys were out of town when the large community fireworks display took place at Comanche Trall Park. They live near the park on Vicky Street.

They believe the noise from the fireworks was probably what scared Peaches, and she escaped from the yard.

Peaches, now 10 years old, will be hard to miss. Her large, black body balances on three legs, causing a neighbor to nickname her Tripod. The fourth leg was amputated after she was injured about six months ago.

On that stormy night at the end of January, Peaches dug her way out of the yard and was found two weeks later at a local railyard, her leg broken.

The dog is also having vision problems, probably due to cataracts.



Courtesy photo
Peaches, shown with Kate Smiley, escaped from her backyard July 3 during the community fireworks display. The three-legged dog suffers from vision problems, but does respond to her name, according to her family.

But she does respond to her name, Becky said.

"She had gotten out two or three times in that week, and we just didn't think it would happen while we were gone. We weren't thinking the fireworks were Friday night."

Since they came home Saturday and found Peaches

missing, the Smileys have sought help from animal control and the Big Spring Humane Society. They heard she had been sighted near the state park, but nothing else has turned up so far.

Anyone who has seen Peaches is asked to call the Smileys at 263-3848.

EXHIBIT

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ding gown, which floored Ms. Anastasiadis. "I never expected her to part with it," the curator said. It's also one of the exhibit's most popular pieces, in no small part because of its plainness.

Mrs. Clinton bought the ivory, floor-length gunnysack dress off the rack of an Arkansas department store one day before her 1975 vows. Standing before it, a recent museum visitor whispered to her husband, "That was the style then. They were all hippies."

Ms. Anastasiadis smiles at such comments. "I just think it's really indicative of who Hillary is. There's not a lot of poufs and lace and ruffles about her."

Visitors sometimes spend hours reading the exhibition's glass-encased letters. Others are taken by Nancy Reagan's wedding bouquet, Pat Nixon's baroque wedding and engagement rings, and an impossibly tiny silk bodice worn by Rachel Jackson.

Dot Jensen, 59, and Eleanor Parris, 63, visited recently while on vacation from Chattanooga, Tenn. History buffs, they pride themselves on the number of presidential libraries each has visited — from Lyndon Johnson's in Austin, Texas, to Harry Truman's in Independence, Mo.

This was their first visit to the Nixon Library. They came because of this exhibit.

They also came with the knowledge that presidents aren't perfect. White House affairs are as old as some of the

museum pieces: Warren G. Harding had a mistress, as did Woodrow Wilson and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

"It wasn't until long after Kennedy died that you heard about him and Marilyn Monroe," said Ms. Jensen. But she had vague suspicions, notably when Monroe squeezed herself into a sequined dress and breathlessly sang "Happy Birthday" to President John F. Kennedy in public.

"At the time, we were saying,

"Now why is Marilyn Monroe standing up there singing to him like that?" Ms. Jensen recalled. "You'd wonder, but you didn't know."

Ms. Parris said the exhibition made her feel better about the occupants of the Oval Office. "It makes you think, 'Well, maybe they did love their wives.'"

"You want to believe that what they say is true, and that they really are romantic, but you never know," she said.

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Smokescreen

Critics say tobacco laws aimed at kids are ineffective

By JOAN LOWY

Scripps Howard News Service

While national attention has been focused on the tobacco wars raging in courtrooms and in the halls of Congress, a quiet revolution has been taking place in state legislatures and city councils.

Over the last three years, nearly half the states and hundreds of localities have passed laws making it illegal for minors to either possess or purchase tobacco, usually both. All but eight states have some type of tobacco law on the books that penalizes minors for use, possession or purchase.

On the surface, the new laws would appear to be another victory for anti-smoking forces in their battle to keep tobacco out of the hands of kids. The reality is quite the opposite, with the vast majority of public health groups — including the American Lung Association, the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, and the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids — opposed to the trend.

Rather than helping to prevent youth smoking, laws that penalize minors have provided a smoke screen for an orchestrated effort by tobacco manufacturers and retailers aimed at guaranteeing a continued flow of tobacco to kids, anti-smoking advocates say.

The new laws actually make it harder for communities to effectively prevent tobacco sales to minors and may help shield tobacco companies and retailers from liability for their actions, these experts say.

"This is all about shifting blame and shifting responsibility," said William Godshall,

executive director of SmokeFree Pennsylvania. "It has always been the tobacco industry and the tobacco retailers that have been the leading proponents of this."

States began adopting the laws in the early 1990s in response to lobbying from the tobacco and retail industries, sometimes with the support of state health agencies and local public health groups.

That lobbying effort has had tremendous success, according to a list compiled by the American Lung Association. In 1995, four states adopted laws banning the possession or purchase of tobacco by minors. In 1996, six states adopted laws, and in 1997, 14 states adopted laws.

A law went into effect in Washington state last month, and several more state legislatures have debated bills to create similar laws this year. Republican leaders in Congress have said they will introduce and vote on tobacco legislation this month that will make federal anti-drug grants to states contingent on the adoption of state laws banning the possession or purchase of tobacco by minors.

The concern anti-smoking advocates share is that the new laws will shift enforcement efforts toward penalizing teens who smoke, and away from punishing the retailers who sell them tobacco.

The vast majority of smokers — about 80 percent — started smoking before age 18. Teen smoking rates have been increasing every year since 1992, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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IN BRIEF

Sands, Grady chalk up big Crossroads victories

Sands and Grady both took important wins in Crossroads Girls Summer Basketball League play Tuesday night.

Grady improved its record to 10-2-1 with a 45-28 win over Ira, while Sands took a 47-38 win over Odessa.

Sands' victory improved their record to 9-4, dropping Odessa further in the standings at fourth with a 7-5 mark.

In the only other senior division game, Stanton was awarded a 2-0 win over Sterling City on a forfeit.

In junior division games, Colorado City improved its record to 8-0 with a win over Big Spring I, while Coahoma edged Sands.

Parent-child tourney slated at country club

A parent-child tournament has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at the Big Spring Country Club.

The tournament will begin with a 9 a.m. shotgun start Saturday and a hamburger supper will follow the round. Sunday's final round will begin at 1 p.m.

"Trophy division" play will be divided into three groups based on the child's age — a 5-11 division, 12-15 division and 16-18 division. Entry fees will be \$30 per team.

An "open division" for teams where the child is 19 or older will also be offered and entry fees for that division will be \$80 per team.

For more information, call the pro shop at 267-5354.

Howard College slates girls' camp July 13-16

Howard College's Girls Basketball Camp has been scheduled for July 13-16 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

The day camp will include sessions from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, while Thursday's final session will begin at 9 a.m. and close at 2 p.m.

Lady Hawks head coach Matt Corkery will head the camp's staff of instructors that will include Howard assistant coaches, high school coaches and members of the Lady Hawks basketball team.

Also open to overnight campers, the camp will be supervised at all times and nightly activities for those spending nights in the dorms.

Registration fees are set at \$100 for day campers and \$210 for overnight campers.

For more information, contact Corkery at 264-5040.

Rose Magers-Powell sets camp for July 27-31 run

Former Big Spring Lady Steers and U.S. Olympian Rose Magers-Powell will conduct a volleyball camp July 27-31 at Big Spring High School's Steer Gym.

Camp sessions for girls in the fourth through sixth grades July 27-29 from 9 a.m. to noon, while those in the seventh through ninth grades will have a 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. session on July 29 and 9 a.m. to noon sessions on July 30-31. Registration fees for both groups will be \$80.

For those in the 10th through 12th grades, the sessions will be from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. for the entire five-day run of the camp. Registration for the older group will be \$95.

ON THE AIR

TODAY:

BASKETBALL

6:30 p.m. — WNBA Houston Comets at New York Liberty, ESPN, Ch. 30.

BOXING

7 p.m. — Fight Time from San Antonio, FXS, Ch. 29.

THURSDAY DAYTIME:

BASEBALL

2 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Oakland Athletics, FXS, Ch. 29.

GOLF

2 p.m. — Ford Senior Players Championship, first round, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Rangers' age may be a blessing as well as a curse

ARLINGTON (AP) — With age comes wisdom — and for the Texas Rangers, age also brings aching bodies after a long, hard game.

There's a run on ice after the final out of all Rangers games.

First baseman Will Clark uses ice on his left elbow. Second baseman Mark McLemore ices both knees. Shortstop Kevin Elster uses it to soothe his back, shoulder and ankles. Reliever Xavier Hernandez gives his right shoulder a double dose.

"Our club is experienced," general manager Doug Melvin told The Dallas Morning News. "It helps having those veteran guys down the stretch. But you

have to be careful from the physical standpoint that they don't burn themselves out."

How well those experienced players hold up will help shape the second half of their season.

A baseball player's peak years are said to be between 28 and 31.

The Rangers have 10 players who are at least 31. By comparison, Baltimore opened the season with 18 players at least 31 years old, and Seattle began with 14 players 31 or older. Both teams have had disappointing seasons.

Age helped the Rangers during the first half. Their experienced players did not panic during the troubles of June.

However, age also hurt the Rangers during the first half. Elster and McLemore, both 33, went on the disabled list in June and showed signs of decreasing defensive range. The running game stopped. Righthanders John Burkett, 33, and Bobby Witt, 34, struggled. The Rangers traded Witt to St. Louis in June.

The old legs must compete with two young-blood teams in the second half: Anaheim and Boston.

Anaheim, which leads the Rangers by one and a half games in the American League West, has six players at 31. Only two are position players: First baseman Cecil Fielder (34) and third baseman Dave Hollins (32). The Angels use their

young legs to create scores with the running game.

Boston, which leads the Rangers by five games in the wild-card contest, does not have an everyday player older than 30. The staff has three greybeard righthanders: Dennis Eckersley (43), Bret Saberhagen (34) and Tim Wakefield (31).

Clark, 33, says there are no drawbacks to age.

"I think age is a blown-out-of-proportion stat," he said. "People say older athletes break down, but it happens to the young guys, too. Just because you're younger doesn't mean you're going to be a better player."

Middleton hopes to repeat as 53rd junior rodeo nears

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Although only a handful of Howard County youngsters will compete in this weekend's 53rd annual Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo, organizers believe as many as 500 cowboys and cowgirls will display their skills at the Big Spring Rodeo Bowl during the event's three-day run.

Howard County's small contingent will be headlined by Lauren Middleton and Stephanie Fryar, both of whom were among last year's champions.

Middleton took the all-around title in the girls' 16-19 Division, while Fryar took the barrel racing championship in the 13-15 age group.

Rodeo performances are scheduled for a 7 p.m. start Thursday and Friday, and Saturday's performance will begin at 6 p.m. Tickets are priced at \$4 for adults, \$2 for students and children 6 and under will be admitted free.

While both have an intention of repeating last year's accomplishments, Middleton makes it clear there's no home arena advantage in rodeo.

In fact, she's convinced that competing at home is more difficult than performing on the road.

"I used to always hate competing in Big Spring because I never did any good here," said the 18-year-old cowgirl who plans to continue her rodeo career next year while attending Western Texas College in Snyder.

"I told my mom and dad (Johnny and Cindy Middleton) I wasn't even going to enter last year and then I wound up winning the all-around," she added.

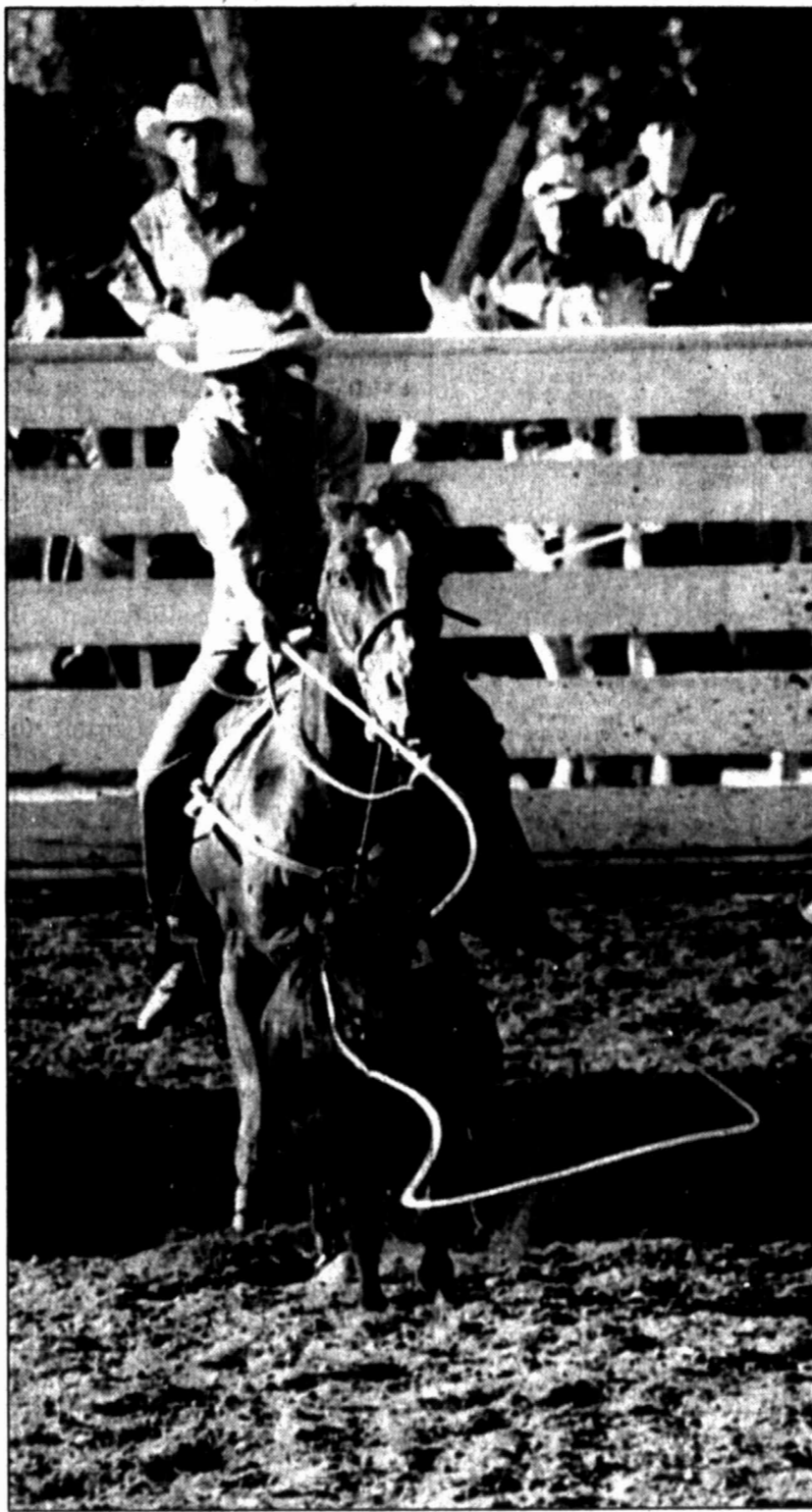
"I really don't know what it is," Middleton continued, expressing the same sentiment that many professional rodeo athletes have voiced, "but it's hard to do well at your home rodeo. It's probably because you know everyone and want to impress them."

To repeat her all-around win, Middleton will need strong performances in all four events in which she's entered — barrel racing, breakaway roping, goat tying and ribbon roping.

Other events in which the junior rodeo athletes will compete this weekend include calf roping, bull riding, team roping, chute dogging, bareback bronc riding, saddle bronc riding and pole bending.

The rodeo's competitor field will be divided into eight divisions — four age groups for both boys and girls.

At the time being, Middleton says her favorite event is goat



Lauren Middleton of Big Spring, shown here competing in ribbon roping at a High Plains Junior Rodeo Association event in Boys Ranch, will be trying to defend her all-around title at the 53rd annual Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo this weekend.

tying, admitting that her preference changes depending on how well she's performing.

"It's my favorite right now, because it's my best event," she explained. "My favorite changes from week to week. Right now it's goat tying."

Middleton stressed that she'd like to have strong performances this weekend — the Colorado City Junior Rodeo will be staged at the same time — in order to head into the High Plains Junior Rodeo Association Finals in Clovis, N.M., in top form two weeks later.

"It's going to be a busy weekend, because I'm competing in Colorado City on Thursday and will be back here on Saturday," she noted. "Having our rodeo at the same time Colorado City is

going on means that virtually everyone that competes in the HPJRA will be here.

"That means the competition will be tough, but it's really good for businesses here in Big Spring," she added. "There are probably going to be a lot of people staying in motels here and that means they'll be eating at restaurants ... that kind of thing."

In addition to Middleton and Fryar, Howard County's contingent will include Tony Wyrick and Shiloh Poole.

"We really don't have that many kids that compete in rodeo right now, and I really don't know why," Middleton noted. "When my dad rodeoed, there were a lot of kids from Howard County that competed."

Alomar powers AL to 13-8 win in wild slugfest

DENVER (AP) — There was never another All-Star game like this. Then again, there had never been one at Coors Field.

Fly balls become home runs. Bouncers took off like rockets.

Greg Maddux, Roger Clemens, Tom Glavine — they were mere mortals in the Rocky Mountains' home run heaven.

"This was a different type of All-Star game," Roberto Alomar said Tuesday night after the American League's record-setting 13-8 victory over the National. "When you watch the scoring in Denver, you're always seeing big numbers, 13 to whatever."

Alomar, matching the feat of his older brother last year, homered and won an All-Star MVP award. Alex Rodriguez also homered as the AL tied the record for runs and hits (19). The two teams set an All-Star record for combined runs and tied the record for hits with 31. "No lead is ever good in this place," Mark McGwire said. "You have to play it to the last out."

The AL had at least one hit in every inning and overcame deficits of 2-0 in the fourth and 6-5 in the sixth.

The NL trailed 5-3 before Barry Bonds' 451-foot, three-run

homer off Bartolo Colon in the fifth, a drive that hit a San Francisco banner hanging off the upper deck in right. The ball just missed (by a yard or so) hitting a sign that would have led to a fan winning \$1 million.

"Maybe it's the light air here in Colorado," Cal Ripken said.

McGwire and Ken Griffey Jr. failed to homer, but the crowd of 51,267, a Coors Field record, got to see the type of game the stadium is known for.

Maddux, the four-time Cy Young Award winner who leads the majors with a 1.54 ERA, was hit hard at the start, giving up singles to Kenny Lofton and Alomar.

Maddux managed to escape with two shutout innings, but six of the next seven NL pitchers gave up runs.

"Want to know why pitchers hate it here? It's not because Clemens pointed skyward in the third inning, thinking Bonds popped up. Lofton caught the ball on the warning track."

"I was a bit nervous there for a moment," Clemens said.

Alomar and Ivan Rodriguez each went 3-for-4, and 10 players drove in runs for the AL, which

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National All-Stars manage 8-1 win over Greenwood

HERALD Staff Report

ODESSA — Josh Hemstetler ripped a home run and Wesley Smith allowed just one run as the Big Spring National Majors All-Stars took an 8-1 win over Greenwood in the second round of District 3 Little League Tournament play Tuesday.

The Nationals' win was the only bright spot of the night for Big Spring teams, as Midland Eastern clubbed the American League All-Stars, 10-0, and Odessa Sherwood took a 10-2 win over the International League All-Stars.

Midland Eastern's Geraldo Rendon who had been his team's winning pitcher in the first round Monday night, ripped a two-run home run in the second inning that ignited the big win.

Gabriel Guerara was the winning pitcher as Midland Eastern chalked up its second consecutive shutout victory.

Odessa Sherwood simply had too much of Ryne Miller for the Big Spring International squad to handle.

Miller, who struck out 13 en route to the pitching victory, also blasted two home runs in a 3-for-4 performance that produced 6 RBIs.

The International All-Stars will face Coahoma, a 6-3 winner over Lamesa on Tuesday, in an elimination game at 6 p.m. today at Odessa's Sherwood Park. The National All-Stars will take on host Sherwood at 8 p.m.

The American All-Stars will also play an elimination game at 6 p.m. today, facing Midland Western at Floyd Gwinn Park.

In the only game involving a Big Spring team at the District 3 Little League Minors tournament in Midland on Tuesday, North Ector took a 7-6 win over the International All-Stars.

The International Minors move into the elimination bracket where they'll face an as yet undetermined opponent at 5:45 p.m. Thursday. Big Spring's American and National teams are both scheduled to play at 6:30 tonight at the North Central Little League complex in Midland.

Dickenson's final decision to leave adds to coaching vacancies

Coaching changes are continuing to take place in the area, even though the 1998-99 school year is fast approaching.

The most recent change became official Tuesday evening when Rob Dickenson announced that he'd made a final decision to take the girls' softball coach's position at Brownwood High School.

That means the Coahoma ISD Board of Trustees will be considering a replacement when they meet Thursday night.

The Sands school board will also be considering a coaching vacancy when it meets Thursday, following the resignation of Mustangs basketball coach Jim Lane.

While Lane has not taken a job anywhere else, but "has decided he doesn't want to be here," explained Billy Barnett, the school's principal, athletic director and head football coach.

That means both Sands' basketball teams will be under new leadership next season, because Leland Bearden, who guided the Lady Mustangs to the Region I, Class 1A finals this spring, has moved to Lubbock and will coach at nearby Smyer next season.

Whether or not Rob Dickenson would return to coach Bulldogettes in their bid

to defend the Class 2A state softball championship in 1999 was in question until late Wednesday afternoon, even though the Brownwood school board had hired him as the Lady Lions new coach last week.

After having coached Coahoma's Bulldogettes to the 1998 Class 2A state softball championship, Dickenson indicated Sunday night that he was leaving Coahoma for Brownwood, but by Monday morning indicated he had not yet made up his mind.

Dickenson, who held the Bulldogette helm for two years, leading Coahoma to the regional finals in 1997 before taking the 2A championship this year, delayed his departure for Arlington and the Texas High School Girls Coaches

Association school until reaching a decision.

But this morning, Coahoma ISD officials said he had not yet made his decision prior to leaving for Arlington.

"It was a tremendously difficult decision to make," Dickenson explained. "One minute I'd decide that taking the job in Brownwood was the right move, then wake up the next morning convinced that I want to stay here."

"Brownwood has a tremendously strong summer softball program to feed its high school teams and they went to the state tournament two years ago, so there's a lot of softball tradition there," Dickenson noted.

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JOHN A. MOSELEY

SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League CLEVELAND INDIANS—Activated OF Brian Giles from the 15-day disabled list. Optioned OF Richie Sexson to Buffalo of the International League. National League MONTREAL EXPOS—Optioned LHP Rick Delabar to Ottawa of the PCL. Activated RHP Mike Maddux from the 15-day disabled list. Assigned LHP Trey Moore to Ottawa for injury rehabilitation. FOOTBALL National Football League ATLANTA FALCONS—Released K David Akers. CAROLINA PANTHERS—Signed WR Donald Hayes to a three-year contract. CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed QB Neil O'Donnell to a four-year contract. JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Signed WR Kevin Lee. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed DT Cortez Kennedy to a three-year contract extension. WASHINGTON REDSKINS—Signed RB Skip Hicks to a three-year contract. HOCKEY National Hockey League BOSTON BRUINS—Agreed to terms with RW Peter Nordstrom. NASHVILLE PREDATORS—Acquired RW Vitali Yachmenev from the Los Angeles Kings for future considerations. NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Re-signed C Bobby Holm to a three-year contract. NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Named Lorne Henning associate coach. Stefan Lunnar goaltender coach and Greg Cronin assistant coach. PHILADELPHIA FLYERS—Signed G John Vanbiesbroeck to a two-year contract. Named Craig Ramsay assistant coach. PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Signed C Valentin Morozov.

ALL LEADERS

BATTING—Williams, New York, .353; MOrris, Kansas City, .349; Rodriguez, Texas, .343; Stairs, Oakland, .335; Thome, Cleveland, .329; TWalker, Minnesota, .328; Mvaughn, Boston, .327; Segui, Seattle, .327. RUNS—Griffey Jr., Seattle, 76; Grievs, Oakland, 65; Thome, Cleveland, 64; ARodriguez, Seattle, 63; Edmonds, Anaheim, 62; Dieter, New York, 61; Durham, Chicago, 60. RBI—JGonzalez, Texas, 96; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 78; Thome, Cleveland, 72; RPalmiero, Baltimore, 72; ARodriguez, Seattle, 69; RFranz, Cleveland, 62; TMartinez, New York, 65; Belle, Chicago, 65. HITS—Estrada, Anaheim, 115; ARodriguez, Seattle, 115; Higginson, Detroit, 103; IRodriguez, Texas, 103; Grievs, Oakland, 102; McCracken, Tampa Bay, 102; O'Neill, New York, 102. DOUBLES—Thome, Cleveland, 29; Estrada, Anaheim, 28; EMartinez, Seattle, 28; CDiaz, Cleveland, 26; IRodriguez, Texas, 26; Grievs, Oakland, 25; JValentin, Boston, 25; Justice, Cleveland, 25. TRIPLES—Offerman, Kansas City, 9; Garciaiparra, Boston, 6; Durham, Chicago, 6; Dieter, New York, 5; GAnderson, Anaheim, 5; O'Leary, Boston, 5; BWilliams, New York, 5. HOME RUNS—Griffey Jr., Seattle, 35; ARodriguez, Seattle, 27; RPalmiero, Baltimore, 26; JGonzalez, Texas, 24; Carasit, Toronto, 24; Thome, Cleveland, 22; Mvaughn, Boston, 21. STOLEN BASES—Henderson, Oakland, 37; Lofton, Cleveland, 28; TGooden, Texas, 25; Stewart, Atlanta, 23; ARodriguez, Seattle, 23; Blunher, Detroit, 22; Canseco, Toronto, 21. PITCHING (10 Decisions)—PMarter, Boston, 112, 846, 2.87; DWells, New York, 112, 846, 3.75; Cone, New York, 112, 846, 4.39; Wakefield, Boston, 103, 765, 4.29; Helling, Texas, 114, 733, 4.25; Williams, Toronto, 83, 727, 3.63; Rogers, Oakland, 83, 727, 3.18. STRIKEOUTS—RJohanson, Seattle, 158; PMartinez, Boston, 142; CFraye, Anaheim, 128; Clemens, Toronto, 113; Erickson, Baltimore, 103; Sale, Texas, 99; Cone, New York, 99. SAVES—Perceval, Anaheim, 25; Gordon, Boston, 24; Wetteland, Texas, 22; Rakvers, Toronto, 22; Rivera, New York, 20; MJackson, Cleveland, 19; Hernandez, Tampa Bay, 17; Montgomery, Kansas City, 17; Aquilar, Minnesota, 17.

NL LEADERS

BATTING—Bjornn, St. Louis, .344; Bichette, Colorado, .339; DeBell, Houston, .333; MaGrace, Chicago, .333; Kendall, Pittsburgh, .332.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

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MLS SCHEDULE

Table with columns: Saturday's Games, Wednesday, July 15. Rows include team names and game times.

ARENA FOOTBALL

Table with columns: Friday's Games, Saturday's Games. Rows include team names and game times.

TSWA ALL-STAR

Here is the 1998 Texas A all-star team, as named by the Class Sports Writers Association. FIRST TEAM Pitchers: Anthony Abramert, Thrall, Jr.; Jake Melton, Collinville, sr.; Scott Sanders, Maud, jr.; and Scott Shannon Mauney, Gorman, sr. First base: B.J. Stewart, Colmesneil, sr. Second base: Ty Knox, Claude, soph. Shortstop: Ryan Slattek, Thrall, sr. Third base: Robert Reyna, Covington, jr. Outfielders: Lucas Mikulencak, Thrall, sr.; Donna Barr, Fort Elliott, sr.

Astros hold NL Central lead thanks mainly to consistency

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Astros General Manager Gerry Hunsicker says his team can do more than just hang on for the second half of the season. He expects the Astros to play even better. "It's rare when you have everybody clicking at the same time for a long period of time," Hunsicker said. "I expect a lot out of this offense and if we're fortunate enough to have this happen, this club is capable of putting on an awesome demonstration." Thanks to a strong offense and solid pitching, the Astros took a 5-game lead over Chicago in the NL Central going into the All-Star break, 19 games over .500 at 53-34. "We haven't had any persistent problems," manager Larry Dierker said. "We've had individual games where our fielding might have let down or our base running but there have been no consistent problems. I just hope we continue to play that way."

ALL-STARS

Continued from page 1B cut the NL's All-Star lead to 40-28-1. Rafael Palmeiro's RBI single in the ninth accounted for the 21st run, breaking the record set in the AL's 11-9 win in 1954. The game nearly turned around in the eighth, when Greg Vaughn's two-run single off Tom Gordon pulled the NL to 10-8. Devon White — who also had three hits — followed with another single, but left fielder Paul O'Neill threw out Fernando Vina at the plate, and shortstop Omar Vizquel followed by turning a nifty double play on Andres Galarraga. Did the light air help O'Neill, a regular right fielder unfamiliar with the other side of the ballpark? "I'm sure it didn't hurt," he said. In a fitting twist, Colon was the winner despite giving up Bonds' homer. "He had to give up a three-run homer to get the win," AL manager Mike Hargrove said. "It's kind of a double-edged sword." Ugueth Urbina was the loser in a game that lasted 3 hours, 38 minutes — the longest nine-inning All-Star game ever.

The big bashers, the ones who have sparked increased interest in baseball this year, did little. McGwire, leading the majors with 37 homers, was 0-for-2. Juan Gonzalez, leading the majors with 101 RBIs, got up with nine runners on base and drove in just one. Griffey, who has 35 homers, was 2-for-3 with an RBI, but showed no power. "You have some great pitchers on the mound," Griffey said. "When you have great pitchers, the ball doesn't fly much." It flared for the AL lineup in the sixth, but not necessarily off the bat. A passed ball by Javy Lopez tied the score, a wild pitch by Urbina put the AL ahead for good and Ivan Rodriguez followed with an RBI single. "It was a Coors Field-type game," NL manager Jim Leyland said. "You saw some balls bloop in, freak hits, guys had to play deep. Then they hit some balls out of the ballpark." Atlanta shortstop Walt Weiss got two hits and the cheers of his 3-year-old son, Brody, recently out of the hospital after fighting off a life-threatening strain of E. coli bacteria. "Looks like it's going to be a happy ending," Weiss said. "My

happened twice. They could finish the rest of the season below .500 (37-38) and still get 90 victories. The biggest surprise this season has been the Astros offense, which leads the NL with a .279 average, 482 runs, 173 doubles and 1360 on base percentage. The addition of Moises Alou, who is having a career year and a good season for Carl Everett, has added zip to the Astros offense. Alou is hitting .314 and leads the team with 73 RBIs. It's given the Astros the luxury of producing even if Jeff Bagwell went into a slump — as he did to start the year. "Last year we were vulnerable when Jeff wasn't swinging," Hunsicker said. "This year, with Alou and Everett, this club is not dependent on one person and it certainly paid off in the first half." The impressive part about the Astros hitting is that they've done it with Bagwell struggling until recently. Since June 12, Bagwell has hit safely in 21 of 23 games for a .300 average with 10 home runs and 30 RBIs. "I don't care about anything

but helping my team win," Bagwell said. "At last, I'm starting to help out." Right fielder Derek Bell leads the Astros with a .336 average and ranks second on the team with 62 RBIs, second on the team to Alou. Everett is second with a .333 average after starting the season platooning in center field with Richard Hidalgo. The Astros started the season with only two pitchers in last year's starting rotation — Shane Reynolds and Mike Hampton. Darryl Kile went to Colorado and Chris Holt and Ramon Garcia went to the disabled list. Dierker found replacements in Jose Lima, Pete Schourek and Sean Bergman, who have given the Astros valuable innings. The Astros are hitting more, but they don't intend to change their historical philosophy of strong pitching and defense. It's just worked out that way. "If you look at our pitching staff, we have the third best ERA (3.56) in the National League," Hunsicker said.

boy is going to be fine." Notes: Ripken broke Willie Mays' record with his 15th straight start, then hit a two-run double off the top of the 14-foot wall in right that keyed a four-run fourth off Tom Glavine for a 4-2 lead. National League reliever Jeff Shaw, celebrating his 32nd birthday, pitched the eighth. He was traded from Cincinnati to Los Angeles on Saturday, making

him the first All-Star ever to be dealt between the time he was selected and the game itself. He wore a Dodgers uniform for the first time. ... The American Leaguers stole a record five bases. ... Next year's All-Star game will be at Fenway Park in Boston. ... Barry and Bobby Bonds joined Griffey Jr. and Griffey Sr. as the only father-son combos to hit homers in All-Star play.

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"But it's a tremendously difficult decision, because of how close I've become to the girls we have here," he continued. "It was a situation where there's a great opportunity to weigh against what I expect we're going to do here in the next three or four years. "The Class 2A ranks are going to get stronger, but there's not much question that Coahoma is going to have a tremendously powerful program for the next three or four years," Dickenson explained. "I really don't think there's anyone in Class 2A that can really compare to the program here right now." Dickenson added the Bulldogettes' state championship run this year is clearly the biggest highlight of his nine-year coaching career. "I don't guess I'll ever forget it," he admitted. "Whoever coaches this team next year will have a tremendous group of kids to work with. We lost three starters, but there are a lot of younger players coming up that I think will be able to fill their shoes." Coahoma, like Sands, has had more than one vacancy to fill. Athletic Director Jim Edwards had already been forced to find replacements for girls' basketball coach David Cox and baseball coach Trey Morgan. Replacements for both of those positions have been found, Edwards said, adding that he expects the Coahoma

board to approve those hirings Thursday.

Barnett said Jim Lane, a 21-year coaching veteran who will bring more than 400 career basketball wins with him from Farwell, will be the Lady Mustangs new basketball coach. "He's been successful in every sport he's coached, as well as being an excellent teacher in the classroom," Barnett said of Lane. "Even though July is a little late to be looking for a coach, we're looking for the same qual-

ities in filling the boys' basketball job," Barnett said, noting that he'd conducted the first interview in that search Tuesday morning. "We want someone who has been a successful basketball coach, as well as being a good teacher," he added. "We want the total package, so we're not going to be in a great big hurry. It's late, but there are still some quality people available. We want to make sure we take the time to get the right person."

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FARMS & RANCHES

2270 acre working ranch in Martin County with approximately 270 acres in cultivation. Has good fences, water, pens and hunting. \$250 per acre. 915-270-4850 or 915-267-9832.

HOUSES FOR SALE

2411 Alabama - Big Spring. 3 bed, 1 bath, 2 living, new heating/air, roof, paint. \$39,500. Call 915-687-3719.

U*S*A HOMES

\$500 Dn- Any Singlewide \$1000 Dn- Any Doublewide 4608 W. Wall Midland 520-2177 - 1-800-520-2177. **\$221/mo., 11% APR. 300 mos. **\$282/mo. 11% APR. 300 mos. with approved credit

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No credit check. Low down payments. Low monthly payments.

Several 3 bdr. & 2 bdr. homes to choose from. Lease purchase is always an option. Call for more info. 915-942-9989 or 915-947-4929

3 bedroom, 1 bath house, fenced yard, near Elementary & Junior High School. Call 263-7208

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Big Old House on 2 lots - Commercial possibilities. Needs everything! Cheap! 267-8840 Owner/Agent

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FURNISHED APTS.

Pleasant, spacious 1 bdr. apt. Ceiling fans, W/D connections, big closets. \$225. References. No pets! (Also, unfurnished available). McDonald Realty, 611 Rundles. 263-7616.

MOVE-IN SPECIAL!

With 6 Mo./12 Mo. Lease 1 Bedroom 666 sq. ft. \$249-\$299/Mo. 2 Bedroom 1 Bath 900 sq. ft. \$329/Mo. 2 Bedroom 2 Bath 1000 sq. ft. \$349/Mo. 2 Bedroom 2 Bath 1070 sq. ft. \$379/Mo.

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Sell or rent. 4 bdr. 3 bdr. 2 bdr. houses. Owner Finance. Call 267-3905.

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WANTED TO RENT:

4 bd., BSID. \$900-\$1200 mo. Call Jim @ 264-6834.

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ROWLAND REAL ESTATE

FURNISHED APTS.

1 bedroom apt. for rent. \$200/mo. \$100/dep. 263-7648 between 8-6 pm.

Apartments, houses, mobile home. References required. 263-6944, 263-2341.

FURNISHED HOUSES

Furnished 3 bedroom trailer, fenced yard, references required. NO PETS!! Inquire at 1213 Harding.

HOUSING WANTED

Needed: 2 or 3 bedroom home. \$350-\$400, per mo. Preferably good location & Coahoma ISD. 915-728-9010.

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\$99 MOVE IN plus deposit. 1,2,3 bdr. Partially fur. 263-7811 a.m. 393-5240 evenings

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2 bdr. 1 bath on 4 acres N. of town. \$400/mo. + deposit. Negotiable! Call 267-1131 or 661-3857.

2 bdr., 2 bath, C/H/A, fenced yard, fireplace, nice carpet. 263-1902 or 263-1548.

2 bdr. furnished with fenced yard, garage. 711 Johnson: \$325/mn. 263-1281

2 bdr. Mobile Home: Refrigerator, stove, water paid. C/H/A. 6308 Walter Rd. 264-6931

3904 Hamilton: 3 bdr. 1 1/2 bath, C/H/A, living room & den, fresh paint, refrigerator & stove. \$465/mn. \$250/dep. 267-7449.

4 bdr. 1 1/2 bath, 1 year lease required. \$550/mo. + dep. No Pets! Owner/Broker: 4220 Hamilton 263-6514

Available July, 3!! Newly remodeled inside 3 bdr. 1 bath, 1 car garage. References required. \$355/mn. \$200/dep. 607 Holbert. Call 263-3689.

Clean 1 bdr. ref./air, carport. No Pets!! References! \$250/mn. \$100/dep. 263-3382 or 263-4697.

Excepting applications for 2 bdr. 2 bath, brick, double car garage, sun porch, C/H/A, fenced, nice lawn/shrub. Excellent location. \$650/mn. \$350/dep. 1752 Purdue. References required. 263-3689.

For Lease: 3 bedroom, 2 bath \$450/mn. \$300/dep. Call Home Realtors 263-1284.

GOOD LOCATION: 1 bdr. 1 bath ref./window unit, refrigerator, stove, privacy fence, water paid. References required. \$265/mn. \$175/dep. 263-3689.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR THURSDAY, JULY 9:

You are actively involved with others this year. You will learn to seeas between your needs and others'. Clarifying boundaries plays a significant role in the success or failure of your relationship. Others find you highly magnetic and desirable. You express unusual determination, making what you want happen. Success is yours because you are tenacious. If you are single, open up to different lifestyles. A person who is quite unique is likely to enter your life. If attached, the two of you focus on a major life goal and attain it, despite any obstacles. Greater closeness results. CAPRICORN challenges you. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

The full moon challenges you to be everywhere. Do prioritize, if only for your sake. A family member wants it his way, but you are more concerned with maintaining your image and

TOO LATES

Public Auction 2611 W. Hwy. 80 THURSDAY 7PM Spring City Auction Doors open @ 5:00pm

Glassware, new hand tools, lamps, pictures, stereos, TVs, kerosene heaters, sofas, chairs, recliners, chairs, desk, night stands, bedroom sets, dining room sets, rods & reels, cross bows, bookcase, glider rocker, exercise bike, pellet rifle, 22 rifles, 12 gauge shot gun, John Deere riding mower, stock trailer, horse trailer, 1993 Ford Pickup, 1994 Ford Supercab 1/2 Ton, 1994 Chevy 1/2 Ton Pickup, 1995 Chevy 1/2 Ton Pickup w/camper shell. Lots of other stuff.

Last Auction until July 30, 1998.

No Minimum - No Reserves! Call 7759 - 263-1831

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS: TO: JAMES R. ROGERS A/K/A JAMES RAY ROGERS 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: Lot Seven (7), Block Sixteen (16), Montecito Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas. Which said property is delinquent to Plaintiffs for taxes in the following amount: \$2,797.56, exclusive of interest, penalties, and costs, and there is included in this suit in addition to the taxes said interest, penalties, and costs thereon, allowed by law up to and including the day of judgment hereof.

You are hereby notified that suit has been brought by HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL as Plaintiffs, against JAMES R. ROGERS A/K/A JAMES RAY ROGERS (as Defendant (s)), by petition filed on the 30th day of May, 1998, in a certain suit styled HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. JAMES R. ROGERS A/K/A JAMES RAY ROGERS for collection of the taxes on said property and that said suit is now pending in the District Court of Howard County, Texas 118th Judicial District, and the file number of said suit is 98-08-04460 that the names of all taxing units which assess and collect taxes on the property hereinabove described, not make 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, thereon up to and including the day of judgment hereof, 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), Intervenor(s), 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 plead 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 29th day of July, 1998 before the Honorable District Court of Howard County, Texas, to be held at the courthouse thereof, then and 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 hereof, and all costs of this suit.

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improving work. Be careful with an associate who tends to be a spendthrift. Tonight: Run the show.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Pace yourself. News seems to pop in from every direction, and you are expected to respond ASAP. Don't let anyone pressure you. Decide the where, when and hows of your life. Schedule an important meeting for the end of the day. Tonight: Off visiting.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

You might be juggling finances. Avoid robbing Peter to pay Paul. Stay steady and determined. Intuition is right on with a money matter. Avoid negativity. Don't let others pressure you into a commitment or into doing anything you don't want to! Tonight: Play it low-key.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You have decisions to make about a partnership. Avoid letting moods dominate you. Pull back, to do some solid thinking. Don't react; respond. When you calm down, aim for what you want. Attend an important meeting later in the day. Ask

TOO LATES

Needed: Truck & Diesel Mechanic with license & references. Ro's Fleet Maint. 267-3234 ask for Ro or Smurf.

GARAGE SALE: 808 N.W. 10th. Fri & Sat. 8:00-? & 8:14 N.W. 10th Sat Only! Inside Trinity Company Gate. Baby-adult clothes, shoes, heaters, dishes, misc. & much more.

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HOROSCOPE

questions when you are unsure. Tonight: Dine out.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Sometimes, you take on too much. Now is a prime example. Juggling the different forces in your life overwhelms you. Pull back, and reorgan

MISCELLANEOUS

14' Glastron w/70 horse & Evinrude engine. Lake ready. 404 W. 7th. \$1400 O/B.O. Also: 24' scope up deer blind 6x6x6 fully enclosed, 12 volt accessories. \$1200 O/B.O.

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