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**Tonight**



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**TONIGHT** 70°-75°  
**SATURDAY** 97°-100°

## Stenholm staffer to be in Big Spring

James Beauchamp, a member of U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm's San Angelo staff, will be in Big Spring from 9-11 a.m. next Wednesday to meet with constituents.

Beauchamp will be in the second floor conference room in the Federal Building, 501 Main Street.

The purpose of the visit is to make Stenholm's office more accessible to people in the area by making one-on-one meetings available to residents.

Beauchamp said the sessions offer an opportunity for anyone having a problem with a governmental agency, such as the Social Security Administration, the Department of Veterans Affairs, Housing and Urban Development, etc., to seek assistance.

## WEEKEND TICKET

**TODAY**

□ Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

□ The Heritage Museum, today from 9-5 at 510 Scurry.

**SATURDAY**

□ Dance, 8:30, Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third. Everyone welcome.

□ Big Spring Squares call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

□ The Strays are performing at Flo's Yellow Rose, 5620 E. I-20 Service Road, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., \$4 cover charge.

**Friday**

□ The Heritage Museum, from 10-5 at 510 Scurry.

□ Fina/7-Eleven Cactus & Crude MS 150 Bike Tour, with cyclists arriving on the Howard College campus between 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Tour benefits the fight against multiple sclerosis. Activities for the cyclists will continue all afternoon, concluding with a 10th birthday party for the bike tour and awards ceremony after dinner.

□ The Potton House, a restored historic home, from 1-5 p.m. at 200 Gregg.

**SUNDAY**

□ Participants in the Cactus & Crude MS 150 Bike Tour depart for Snyder early this morning, with police escort. By collecting pledges, the cyclists are raising money for the fight against multiple sclerosis.

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## Cactus & Crude tour to take pit stop in Big Spring Saturday

By **DEBBIE L. JENSEN**  
Features Editor

Bike riders from all over the area will converge on Big Spring this weekend during the Fina/7-Eleven Cactus & Crude MS 150.

The tour, which raises money for the fight against multiple sclerosis, begins Saturday morning in Midland.

"We're really excited this year," said Kathryn Miller, of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society/West Texas Division. "We've got 49 new riders."

The tour will include five cyclists from Big Spring.

Because they take back roads between cities, participants will be riding about

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75 miles both Saturday and Sunday. The first day will end in Big Spring at Howard College, with lunch catered by Outback Steakhouse.

Afternoon activities will include a rider's clinic with four olympic cyclists on hand to give instruction, a watermelon party, and a massage therapist on duty. Dinner, a 10-year birthday celebration for the ride, and an awards ceremony for participants will follow.

Riders will spend the night at the Howard College dorms.

After breakfast Sunday morning,

Snyder will be the destination. Once there, another meal is planned, and transportation back to the starting point will be provided.

Participants raise at least \$150 in pledges to the National MS Society. Awards are based on money raised.

But once the ride begins, organizers said the focus is on having a good time.

"It's really a lot of fun," Miller said. "These cyclists are just a bunch of crazy people and they enjoy this. It's not a race, it's a tour, so nobody is going to be hurrying to get to Big Spring."

Rest areas are spaced every 10 miles along the route with refreshments. Each stop will be decorated with a different theme, such as a M\*A\*S\*H unit, a Hawaiian stop, and a "bike wash" that

will mist riders as they pass through. Special precautions are being taken this year, because of the extreme temperatures, Miller said.

"We've been working with our riders on how much they need to drink. We've done training rides to help get them ready."

Cyclists are being urged to drink water or sports beverages at least every mile along the route.

Multiple sclerosis is a disease that randomly attacks the nervous system, with symptoms ranging from numbness and paralysis to blindness. For more information about the services provided by the National MS Society's West Texas Division, or the Fina/7-Eleven Cactus & Crude MS 150, call 570-8248.



HERALD photo/Linda Choate

City officials have opened up fire hydrants to flush the system after receiving complaints that the water was dirty in some areas.

## Dirty water flushed from system

By **T.E. JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

According to city officials, fire hydrants have been opened up all over the city due to complaints of "dirty water."

"We open the hydrants for a lot of different reasons," said City Water Distribution and Collection Superintendent Rick Boiles. "We've received some complaints of water being dirty, and the only way to correct that is to flush the system."

"Sometimes, when we have had to work on various parts of the system, some of the rust and dirt that has collected in the pipes gets knocked loose. We try to correct this by flush-

ing the lines until the water runs clean and clear."

According to Boiles, the process can be lengthy.

"We run the water until it is clear, but we have to let it go for a while after that. A lot of times the water will run clear, and then a few minutes later, dirty again. It's sort of a tedious process."

Boiles says that the age and condition of the current water systems can play a big roll in how effective they are.

"We get a lot of build-up in the system," said Boiles. "It's hard to keep everything running right over time."

"The Fire Department also opens the hydrants from time

to time. They have to test the pressure, and make sure that it's adequate to power their tools. All in all, there can be several of these hydrants going at any one time."

Boiles encourages people who see these open hydrants to call if they suspect there might be foul play involved.

"A couple of years ago, someone was going around to the hydrants in the Highland area and opening them up for no apparent reason," said Boiles. "If you see one, don't be afraid to call and confirm it with us. These hydrants can discharge anywhere from 300 to 2500 gallons of water per minute, so it's better to be safe than sorry."

## Financial system cost lower than anticipated by housing authority

By **BILL MCCLELLAN**  
News Editor

A financial systems package needed as the Public Housing Authority breaks from the city will cost less than originally estimated, commissioners learned in a meeting Thursday

evening.

Board members tabled any action on seeking an accounting coordinator - a position created by purchase of the systems package.

Housing Authority Executive Director Mark Gentry told the board that the package will cost

\$31,060.

"That's still on the high ends. I think several thousand dollars can be taken out in the area of training. That would bring it down under \$30,000," he said. The original estimate had been \$35,000 for the package, which includes computer hardware,

software, installation and training, to handle the authority's general ledger, accounts payable and receivable, budgeting and payroll.

The system will go in the authority's new office, at 707 East Third Street, which is being leased, Gentry said, for

\$650 a month. The building includes four offices, a counseling/board room, and an open area where clients can meet with counselors.

In other action, the board authorized Gentry to accept

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## F-I-R-E: Main Street burns old bingo cards

By **T.E. JENKINS**  
Staff Writer

Fire in downtown Big Spring Thursday morning? No, just the remnants of a bingo-card funeral pyre conducted by the Big Spring Main Street Inc. and the Big Spring Fire Department.

The fire department conducted a "controlled burn" Thursday morning at the Petroleum Building, located directly across the street from the Permian Building.

"We were cleaning the building out to begin renovations when we found these old bingo-

cards," said Secretary Treasurer of the Big Spring Main Street Inc. Pat Porter. "Texas law requires that we destroy these cards either by water, fire, or shredding. Burning them was just the easiest way to do it."

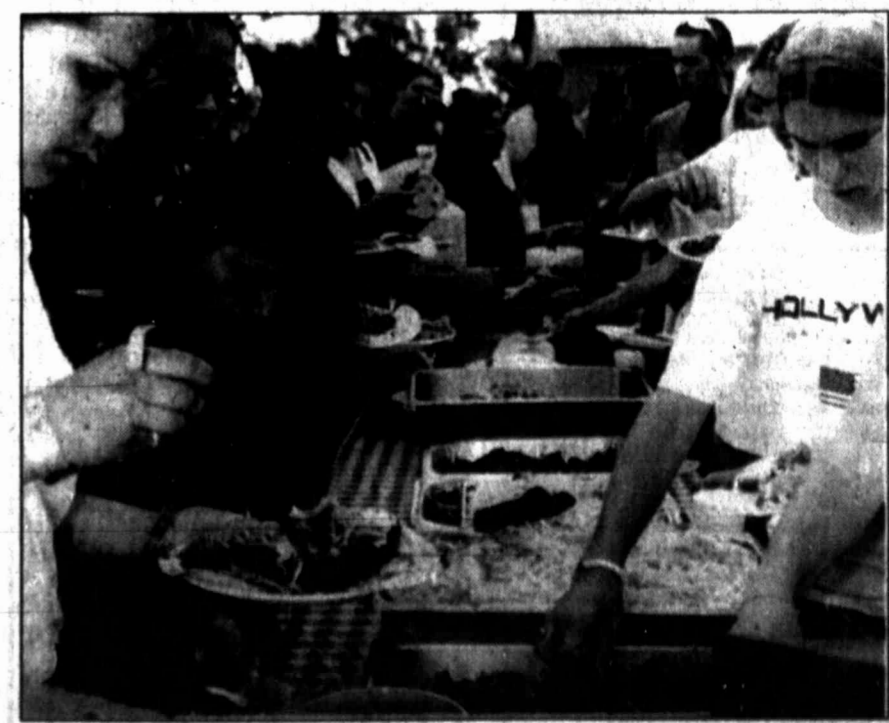
Texas law also requires that an official from the Texas Lottery Commission be present during the destruction of the cards. Sgt. Jan Pate of the Lottery Commission was on hand to witness the burning.

"We're just closing the books on the charity bingo games that

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Foreign exchange students serve themselves barbeque and all the trimmings in the buffet line Thursday evening at Morgan Ranch. Members of the Big Spring Rotary Club and Greater Big Spring Rotary Club hosted about 88 students for dinner and an overnight stay during a cross-country bus tour.

HERALD photo/Linda Choate



## OBITUARIES

## Alma Partlow

Alma Partlow, 71, Big Spring, passed away on Thursday, July 16, 1998, at Midland Memorial Hospital following a three-month illness.

Service will be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 18, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Dr. Kenneth Patrick officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Alma was born on Oct. 6, 1926, in Crews. She married Myron J. Partlow on April 18, 1948, in Bradshaw. He preceded her in death on Sept. 30, 1994.

She moved to Big Spring in 1948 from Bradshaw. She was a member of East Fourth Street Baptist Church and was a homemaker.

She is survived by: two sons, George Adams and his wife, LaPrecia of Fruitvale; and Dickie Partlow and his wife, Helen of Big Spring; four grandchildren, Becky Thompson, Michael Partlow, Erica Partlow and Treavor Partlow; four brothers, Carlos Smith of Llano, James Smith of San Angelo, Walter Smith of Lubbock, and Clint Smith of Hobbs, N.M.; and two sisters, Vina Mae Trammell of Sterling City, and Oletha Faye Hooper of San Angelo.

She was also preceded in death by her parents, A.K. and Binnie Smith, and one sister, Lou Nations.

Pallbearers will be Jerry Dalton, Cecil Arnold, Walter David Smith, Larry Smith, Treavor Partlow and Michael Partlow.

The family will be at the home of Dickie Partlow, 6803 Kyle.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

*Paid obituary*

## Joe Kerley

Graveside service for Joe Kerley, 73, Saragosa, were 10 a.m. today at Mt. Evergreen Cemetery, Pecos.

Mr. Kerley died Wednesday, July 15, 1998, at the VA Hospital, Big Spring.

He was born on Aug. 28, 1924, in Limestone County. He was the owner of Kerley Cotton Gin in Saragosa. He was an Army veteran, serving in World War II. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include: two sons, Don Kerley of Fort Worth, and Max Kerley of Wink; two daughters, Kim Sanders of Pecos, and Karla Bowles of Big Spring; two sisters, Ellouse Tate of Ventura, Calif., and Carolyn Devaine of Mulberry, Fla.; one brother, Leland Kerley of DeKalb; and 10 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, JayAnn Kerley, in August of 1996.

Arrangements under the direction of Pecos Funeral Home.

## Ray W. Fesmire

Graveside service for Ray W. Fesmire, 90, Odessa, will be 10

MYERS & SMITH  
FUNERAL HOME  
& CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Alma Partlow, 71, died Thursday. Services are 10:00 AM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.

NALLEY-PICKLE  
& WELCH  
Funeral Home

Trinity Memorial Park  
and Crematory

906 Gregg St.  
(915) 267-6331

Luz Gonzales Subia, 97, died Wednesday. Services were 10:00 AM Friday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Interment followed at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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a.m. Saturday, July 18, 1998, at  
Sunset Memorial Gardens,  
Odessa.

Mr. Fesmire died Thursday,  
July 16, at his residence.

He was born in McCauley in  
1908, and graduated from  
Hardin Simmons College. He  
served in World War I as a  
First Lieutenant in the U.S.  
Army.

Survivors include: twin sons,  
Richard Fesmire of Ennis, and  
Russell Fesmire of San  
Francisco, Calif.; a sister-in-  
law, Edna Faye Smith of Big  
Spring; three grandchildren;  
and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by  
his wife, Ruth Ruthledge  
Fesmire in 1995.

Arrangements under the  
direction of Frank W. Wilson  
Funeral Directors, Odessa.

## BINGO

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we held at College Park Bingo  
more than four years ago," said  
Gail Earls, also with Big Spring  
Main Street Inc. "We've got the  
Fire Department taking care of  
the fire."

"The Main Street Association  
is a non-profit organization  
dedicated to revitalizing the  
downtown area," said Porter. "We  
are just taking care of some  
house-keeping chores so we can  
begin work on the Petroleum  
Building."

HOUSING

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Commissioners tabled action  
on an accounting coordinator  
until Gentry composes a job  
description for the position.

In one other issue involving  
personnel, Gentry said the part-  
time position of Family Self-  
Sufficiency Coordinator has not  
been filled and he will put the  
hiring search on hold until the  
authority moves into its new  
offices.

Commissioners present were  
Gail Earls, Sonya Metcalf,  
Danelle Castillo and Katherine  
McGee. Emma Bogard was  
absent.

REFINERY

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on the lost of the refinery and  
the 100 jobs," Weber said. "As  
bad as it is, it's just part of a  
very competitive industry."

The Big Spring refinery was  
built in 1929 by Josh Cosden  
and currently employs 228 peo-  
ple.

## SUPPORT GROUPS

FRIDAY

Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30  
p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal  
Church, 10th and Goliad. Open  
to all substance abusers.

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

SATURDAY

Alzheimer's Association  
Support Group, second  
Saturday of the month,  
Carriage Inn Retirement  
Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m.

Family support group for  
current and former patients  
and their families, 1 p.m. weekly,  
Reflections Unit of Scenic  
Mountain Medical Center. Call  
Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

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

"So I Forget," Attention  
Deficit Disorder support group  
for individuals and couples,  
first Saturday of the month  
from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Samaritan  
Counseling Center of West  
Texas, Inc., Midland. Call the  
center at (915) 563-4144 or 1-800-  
329-4144. Cost is \$15.

West Texans Living with  
Chronic Fatigue & Immune  
Dysfunction Syndrome/Fibromyalgia,  
1-3 p.m., on different Saturdays  
of the month, HealthSouth facility  
at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250,  
Midland. Call Joann Carney,  
(915) 686-7977, or Marsha  
Brunet, (915) 337-4829 to get the  
correct meeting date.

NA 10 p.m. candlelight meet-

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

ing, St. Mary's Church, 1001  
Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager  
no.).

\*Open birthday night meets  
the last Saturday of the month  
with a covered dish at 7 p.m.  
and birthday meeting at 8 p.m.,  
615 Settles. This is to celebrate  
AA sobriety yearly birthdays.

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

## BRIEFS

55 ALIVE/MATURE DRI-  
VING CLASS will be July 28-29  
from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at  
Berea Baptist Church, 4204  
Wasson Road. The cost is \$8  
and you must attend both ses-  
sions. Call 263-1491 to preregis-  
ter or to ask questions.

BIG SPRING STATE HOS-  
PITAL patients are in need of  
summer clothing, especially  
men's jeans and shorts, and  
ladies' summer shorts. If you  
are able to help, call the com-  
munity relations office, 268-7535  
or bring the items to the ATD  
Building, from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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 wel-  
come to attend. The cost is \$10  
per adult and \$6 per person  
under age 17. Morning refresh-  
ments 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 success-  
fully 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 require-  
ments.

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.

BIG SPRING STATE HOS-  
PITAL is in need of 1998 mag-  
azines. They can be delivered to  
the Community Relations  
Office at the front of the cam-  
pus.

The sheltered workshop is  
also in need of the following  
items: Costume jewelry, inex-  
pensive toys, old appliances  
such as toaster and coffee pots,  
baseball gloves and footballs.  
These donations can be taken  
to the sheltered workshop on  
the campus or call Mary Jane  
Phillips at 268-7700 for more  
information.

BIG SPRING'S MUNICIPAL  
POOL has "family night" and  
"teen nights" planned this sum-  
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Families are invited to swim  
together from 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays  
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A BIG SPRING  
AROUND THE TOWN

Fridays from 7-9 p.m., and  
those age 13-17 must show a  
school I.D.

Pool admission fees of \$1.50  
per person apply at these spe-  
cial evening events, as well as  
during regular pool hours, 1-6  
p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.  
Call 264-2484 for more informa-  
tion.

Worker  
has 3/4-inch  
nail driven  
into his head

EAU CLAIRE, Wis. (AP) —  
Construction worker Travis  
Bogumill was shot with a nail  
gun that drove a 3/4-inch nail  
all the way into his skull, and  
the only difference he can see  
is that he's not quite the math  
whiz he used to be.

Bogumill, 21, walked out of a  
hospital Thursday after sur-  
geons removed the nail.

A co-worker at a construction  
site accidentally bumped his  
head with the nail gun six days  
earlier, and the nail went in so  
deep that the only thing visible  
was a small hole in Bogumill's  
scalp.

He remained conscious,  
turned to his co-worker and  
said, "You just nailed me in the  
head," Bogumill recalled.

An X-ray showed the nail had  
lodged in the right side of  
Bogumill's brain, halfway  
between his ear and the top of  
his head. Bogumill said it "felt  
like somebody was smacking  
my head repeatedly with a  
hammer."

Doctors told Bogumill, a civil  
engineering student at  
Chippewa Valley Technical  
College, that he shouldn't have  
been able to walk or talk after  
the accident and that they're  
baffled why he wasn't knocked  
unconscious.

Dr. John Lamoureux said the  
nail lodged in an area of the  
brain typically involved in pro-  
cessing math, which could  
explain the problems Bogumill  
said he is now having.

"You could give me two two-  
digit numbers and I could mul-  
tiply them within seconds in  
my head. But now you give me  
a piece of paper and multiply-  
ing 56 by 23 is still difficult,"  
he said.

## REUNIONS

THE BSHS CLASS OF '68 is  
having a 30-year class reunion  
on Oct. 9-10.

We need your help in locating  
the following classmates:  
Thomas Land, Johnny Perez,  
Glenda Wilkes McAllen,  
Johnetta McCullough Morris,  
Nancy Ivie, Mario DeLeon, Jeff  
Phares, Mike Warren, Kathy  
Molpus, Delores Williams, Gary  
Lagerstrom, Wanda Ball, Paula  
Ramirez, Donna Ferguson,  
Patty Goodman, Janice Morris,  
Kay Aton, Sheila Tidwell, Craig  
Frank, Dana Baker, Jill Lewis,  
Billie Mike Eggleston, Debbie  
Reaves and Brenda Smith.

Please call Jeanie Johnson  
Knock at 263-1757 or Vivian  
Dickson Glickman at 267-6808 if  
you have any information  
about any of the names listed.

BSHS CLASS OF '88 is going  
to be having its 10 year reunion  
in October. The following is a  
list of missing classmates:

Thomas Ashley, Juan  
Baldwin, Kenneth Banks, Beki  
Bertrand, Michelle Brooks,

## TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 7,7,9  
CASH 5: 2,16,18,30,33

Nora Chapel, Garry Chavez,  
Alice Cruz, Unis Drew, Carey  
Duffy, Thomas Figueroa, Julie  
Fortner, Angie Gonzales,  
Stephen Gonzales, Terry Hart,  
Mary Ann Herrera, Tracy  
Hicks, Sammy Hilario, Diana  
Howard, Sean Jackson, Paula  
Jolley, Michelle LaGrand,  
Donavan Lucero, Christina  
Marquez, Gina Martinez,  
Stephanie Marx, Shawn  
Meredith, Kelly Myles, Elsie  
Nieto, Lucinda Oliver, John  
Osborne, Kelly Parks, Diana  
Rodriguez, Mary Rodriguez,  
Robert Rodriguez, Trevor  
Roten, Lisa Seeley, Heath  
Shotts, Allan Smith, Joseph  
Sosa, Anna Vega, Mary Lou  
Villa, Charles Whit, Danny  
Williams.

If anyone has any informa-  
tion on the missing classmates,  
please contact Cheryl Wvrick  
Reibe; 2519 Central, Big Spring;  
or call 268-9587; or Leslie  
Patterson Stevens; 2717 Carol  
Drive, Big Spring; or call 267-  
6620.

## MARKETS

Dec. cotton 72.30 cents, down 10  
points; Aug. crude 14.22, down  
30 points; Cash hogs steady at  
50 higher at 35; cash steers  
steady at \$1 higher at 61 cents  
even; Aug. lean hog futures  
51.85 up 75 points; Aug. live cat-  
tle futures 63.17, up 27 points.  
courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Non quotes provided by Edward D. Jones  
& Co.

Index 9342.86	Volume 212,684,970
ATT	59% -1/2
Amoco	41% +1/4
Atlantic Richfield	71% +1 3/4
Atmos Energy	29% nc
Calenergy Inc.	28% +1/2
Chevron	83% +1/2
Cifra	15% to 16%
Coca Cola	86% -1/2
Compaq Computer	34% +1/4
Cornell Correc.	19% -1/2
De Beers	18% -1/2
Diagnostic Health	9% +1/4
DuPont	68% +1/2
Excel Comm.	22% -1/4
Exxon	71% +1/4
Fina	65% -1/2
Halliburton	42% -1/2
IBM	119% +1
Intel Corp	83% -1 1/2
Medical Alliance	2% -1/4
Mobil	75% +1/4
Norwest	39% -1/2
NUV	9% nc
Phillips Petroleum	47% nc
Palex Inc.	8% +1/4
Pepsi Cola	39% +1 1/2
Parallel Petroleum	4% +1/4
Rural/Metro	13% +1/4
Sears	59% +1/4
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# House would require contraceptive coverage for federal workers

WASHINGTON (AP) — Abortion-rights forces are celebrating a House vote requiring most federal employees' health plans to cover prescription contraceptives. The provision could affect 1.2 million women.

In a rare defeat in this Congress for anti-abortion forces, the House voted 224-198 Thursday to require the coverage. Just hours earlier, the language had been stripped from a spending bill for parliamentary reasons, but the roll call gave it new life.

"This is a major step forward for women," said Gloria Feldt, president of Planned Parenthood Federation of America. "It is encouraging that Congress is recognizing family planning as an essential

component of women's health." "This is the biggest victory for reproductive rights since the Republicans took over the House" after the 1994 election, said the measure's sponsor, Rep. Nita Lowey, D-N.Y.

"We took a huge step forward in our efforts to improve women's health, prevent unintended pregnancies and reduce the numbers of abortions," she said.

Opponents argued that some contraceptives actually can cause abortions, and later offered an amendment that would have exempted those that might do so. That lost by 222-198.

"I believe it opens up a Pandora's box," Rep. Christopher Smith, R-N.J., a

leading anti-abortion lawmaker, said of Lowey's provision.

The language would require almost all of the 374 different health insurance plans used by federal employees across the nation to provide coverage for contraceptives. The only exceptions would be for those that do not cover prescriptions and for the handful of health-care plans sponsored by the Catholic church.

Covered would be all five methods of prescription contraception: the pill, diaphragm, intrauterine devices, Norplant and Depo-Provera.

Lowey said only 19 percent of all federal health plans cover all five prescription contraceptive methods. Ten percent of them do not cover any prescription

contraceptives. She estimated that 1.2 million women of child-bearing age would be affected.

With more than 2 million workers, the federal government is the country's largest employer.

In a demonstration of the strength anti-abortion forces still have, the bill forbids federal workers' health insurance plans from covering abortions. An effort to remove that provision lost 239-183.

The overall bill containing the contraceptive language was approved 218-203. The legislation contained about \$27 billion for the Treasury Department and several smaller federal agencies for fiscal 1999, which starts on Oct. 1.

That bill started the day with

a bigger price tag. But lawmakers removed several controversial items from the measure, including \$2.25 billion to adjust many government computers for the year 2000, which much software does not recognize. Republicans want to put those funds into a separate bill later this year.

The bill contains \$1.8 billion for the Customs Service and \$7.7 billion for the IRS.

Lawmakers voted 342-79 to block a cost-of-living pay raise for members of Congress from taking effect. Democrats forced that roll call after objecting to a press release by the House's Republican campaign committee asserting that a procedural vote taken earlier showed that most Democrats wanted a pay

raise.

Also Thursday: — The House voted 227-195 to allow the inclusion of a GOP overhaul of the nation's public housing laws into a must-pass spending bill for veterans, housing and environmental programs. That gives them some leverage against President Clinton, who has threatened to veto the public housing legislation because it might force some poor people out of public housing.

A subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee voted to provide \$609 million next year for Amtrak. A Senate bill would provide \$555 million. Supporters of the federally subsidized railroad had feared deep reductions.

# Clinton, Gingrich press different approaches to patients' rights

WASHINGTON (AP) — As Democrats and Republicans spar over how best to curb health plan abuses, congressional budget analysts say a White House-backed plan will raise Americans' insurance costs 4 percent.

Republicans have warned that the Democrats' proposal, which includes expansive new rights for patients to sue their health plans, would drive up health care costs and make insurance unaffordable.

But Democrats touted Thursday's report from the Congressional Budget Office showing their "patient bill of rights" would cost about \$6.50 more a month for each insured American.

With most health insurance costs shared by employers, Democratic lawmakers said the typical worker would pay only \$2 of that.

"That's a small price tag for the peace of mind that health

insurers will actually authorize and pay for the benefits they have promised," said Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D.

Both Houses of Congress are expected to debate new consumer protections against health plans later this month.

With the election-year battle forming, President Clinton and House Speaker Newt Gingrich both called for cooperation Thursday, but both also pressed the case for sharply different approaches.

Besides detractors to the Democrats' bill, House Republican leaders also may have to contend with concerns about their own legislation from conservatives within the party.

"We plan to scour the bill," said Jennifer Larkin, spokeswoman for the Conservative Action Team, which includes 41 House Republican lawmakers. "The members aren't going to go into this with their eyes

closed. They want to know exactly what they're getting into."

Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif., who served on a task force charged with brokering compromise among House Republicans, said he will not sponsor the resulting legislation.

All of the competing proposals — including the "patient bill of rights" backed by the White House and most Democrats, and separate measures from Senate and House Republicans — would provide basic protections for millions of Americans.

Those protections include guaranteed coverage for emergency room care and a ban on rules that bar doctors from telling patients about costly treatment options.

But there are differences embedded in the fine print.

The bills backed by the White House and House Republicans would apply to health care plans everywhere — extending

these and other protections to an estimated 150 million Americans.

By contrast, legislation introduced Wednesday by Republicans in the Senate would only apply to an estimated 48 million people, those covered by employer-sponsored health plans that are exempt from state regulations.

All three proposals offer every American the right to appeal to independent medical experts if they are denied care by their insurance plan.

But highlighting a key difference with Republicans, Clinton said during a trip to Capitol Hill that it was essential to give patients a broad new "right to sue or some other enforceable legal right."

"You can write all the guarantees you want into the law here in Washington, and if nobody can enforce them, the delay in the system will still cause people to die."

# States vary widely on patient protection laws

WASHINGTON (AP) — State action designed to protect patients in the use of HMOs varies widely, and no state has enacted the comprehensive set of provisions Democrats in Congress are backing, a consumer group reports.

In its report released Thursday, Families USA argues that federal legislation is needed and must cover all Americans.

A Senate GOP plan unveiled this week would cover only about 48 million Americans who have insurance that is exempt from state regulation. Other people would have to rely on state legislators if they want the popular protections that have become a political force this election year.

A House GOP proposal — like Democratic bills — would cover everyone.

States have been inconsistent in their regulation of health maintenance organizations and other managed care plans, the report explains. These plans have cut health care costs by imposing restrictions, but doctors and consumer groups argue that, in the process, they have wrongly denied care to people who need it.

The study examined 13 provisions of the Democratic legislation and found that no state offers an identical package.

Vermont has passed 11 of 13 provisions studied; 16 states have enacted five to nine of the 13, and 33 states have enacted one to four of them. South Dakota has not passed any.

# Secret service heads to high court

WASHINGTON (AP) — After losing three court battles to block Secret Service testimony in the Monica Lewinsky investigation, the Clinton administration has taken the precedent-setting case to the last stop: the Supreme Court.

Chief Justice William Rehnquist has the next move. He must decide how to handle a plea from the Justice Department, which sought Thursday to extend a lower court order that temporarily prevents seven officers from testifying before a grand jury.

The order, from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, expires at noon today.

Rehnquist could handle the issue himself, as the justice in charge of emergency matters in Washington, D.C., or he could refer it to the entire court.

The emergency stay is a separate matter from whether the court wants to hear arguments, on the case this fall.

The Clinton administration is seeking creation of a new legal privilege that would allow Secret Service agents to avoid testifying about what they saw and heard while guarding the president.

A district federal judge, a three-judge U.S. Court of Appeals panel and, Thursday, the full 11-member appellate court here, all ruled the agents must testify.

They agreed with the position of Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr, who contends the Secret Service has no legal privilege to avoid cooperating with a criminal investigation.

So crushing a defeat was Thursday's ruling — on an administration request for the full court to reconsider the case — that not a single judge requested a vote to hear arguments.

"This court has ruled that the

privilege does not exist," the appellate court said.

In a brief filed Thursday evening with the Supreme Court, the Justice Department formally asked the justices to review the appellate court's judgment.

The agency once again portrayed the case as a life-and-death matter, insisting that a president who cannot trust his bodyguards would keep them at a distance, placing his life in danger.

"The court of appeals has fundamentally erred, and its decision portends grave consequences for the Secret Service's future ability to protect those in whom the Constitution singularly vests the nation's executive power," the administration brief said.

Starr spokesman Charles Bakaly had no comment on the administration's latest brief.

The legal wrangling had an immediate effect on the chief of President Clinton's protective

detail, agent Larry Cockell, one of the seven officers subpoenaed by Starr.

Thursday night, the Secret Service decided temporarily to give his assignment as chief of the detail to another agent to ensure that the security team is not distracted, officials commented.

Agent Brian Stafford, who used to oversee the detail, will do so again temporarily though Cockell will return, officials said.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said Clinton believes Cockell "is a great guy, and he thinks he's a superb, dedicated professional law enforcement officer."

Adding an exclamation point to the administration's bad day Thursday, one appellate judge — Laurence Silberman — ridiculed the notion that the administration could present itself rather than Starr as the United States' representative in the case.

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OUR VIEWS

We salute:

Each Friday, the *Herald* salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.

This week we salute:

- UNITED WAY VOLUNTEERS, who are beginning their annual fund drive to generate support for community service projects and agencies.
- MARCO TORRES, the Big Spring High School distance runner who recently signed a letter of intent to attend South Plains College in Levelland.
- BIG SPRING SHOCKERS, the team that recently won the Texas ASA Girls 16 and under State Tournament.
- HOWARD COUNTY MINISTER'S FELLOWSHIP, and the donors who have kept a Humanities-Bible class funded at Big Spring High School for more than half a century.
- TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH LOCAL OFFICE, which recently began a breastfeeding peer support program for new mothers.
- BIG SPRING ROTARY CLUB AND GREATER BIG SPRING ROTARY CLUB, which teamed up to host 88 foreign exchange students for an overnight visit Thursday.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

OTHER VIEWS

In American movie houses this summer, doomsday comes via asteroids and space aliens conspiring to take over the world. In reality, the likelier doomsday comes when Japan's economy collapses.

Such is today's global economy: Japan twitches, Southeast Asia teeters, and South Floridians suddenly have reason to cringe at what might come next.

On the optimistic side, Japanese voters sent a clear message to their leaders and the ruling Liberal Democratic Party: Right the economy! The immediate result was Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto's resignation.

So what does happen next? A happy ending would have a bold new leader rising from the ashes of the LDP losses to take charge and do what has to be done despite the pain. It is by no means certain that Japanese voters, though clearly ready for action, have been prepared for painful action.

THE MIAMI HERALD

Protestants in Northern Ireland marched Monday in commemoration of their biggest holiday, the defeat of a Catholic king by William of Orange in 1690. But a pall hung over the usually raucous celebrations — a pall that might just signal this weary end of Ireland is finally ready to accept peace.

Years ago, the firebombing death Sunday morning of three Catholic boys would probably have sparked a whole new wave of retribution shootings and bombings by the Irish Republican Army or one of its many parallel militant Catholic groups. But the horri-

ble attack instead seems to have numbed the country and laid bare the senselessness of the violence that has gripped the land for generations.

Protestant leaders called for silent observances at all gatherings Monday, and Catholics, who often try to disrupt the parades, avoided most confrontations.

Nothing, of course, could justify the killing of the boys. What would be worse is if their deaths are used to rationalize more killing and to unravel the tenuous peace before, like the Quinn boys, it has a chance at life.

NORTH COUNTY TIMES, ESCONDIDO, CALIF.

Based on the horror stories from aggrieved taxpayers that emerged during congressional hearings over the past year, the Internal Revenue Service was an agency out of control and long overdue for reform.

New reform is on the way. The U.S. Senate overwhelmingly approved a bill that promises to rein in the tax agency's excesses and make it more taxpayer-friendly. The Senate vote, 96-2, mirrored the 402-8 tally by which the same measure passed the House of Representatives two weeks ago. President Clinton praised the measure and pledged to sign it into law.

It has been apparent for some time that a vast number of Americans have come to believe just that. The votes in the Senate and House on the reform measure reflect the fact that many Americans have had an unpleasant experience with the IRS or know someone who has.

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Don't be fooled, China is not our friend

Years ago when I was a green 20-year-old reporter, a Turkish colonel gave me a good lesson in foreign policy. He was on one of those State Department tours, and I had been sent to interview him.

"Do you think Turkey and the United States will remain friends?" I asked.

He stared at me with all the warmth of a rattlesnake and said, "Turkey and the United States are not friends. We just happen to have the same enemy."

George Washington said the same thing in different words when he warned that no nation could be trusted beyond its self-interest. That's a good thing to keep in mind when you read all this gushy nonsense about China that journalists, corporate shills and academic leftists are writing.

China is not our friend. We just at the moment happen to have what the ruling power in each country wants: The

Chinese want capital and technology; and the American transnational corporations want cheap labor with which to make their consumer junk.

The late Joe Ka, a friend who

made excellent egg rolls but they are making an effort to beef up their military power, both conventional and nuclear. That at least indicates to any sensible person that they view us as a future opponent in war.

There is no reason why the Chinese should like Americans. We were as colonialist in our own way as the British. We've never looked upon China as anything but a market, and we still don't.

Back in the 1940s, when the nationalists starting losing the civil war, we bailed out on them and left the country to the Communists who killed, some scholars estimate, 60 million people, not counting Tibetans and Americans in Korea.

And now President Clinton is playing pals with the

Communists. You might as well buy a rattlesnake as a pet for your baby as think you can be friends with a Communist. If they are overthrown one day, the people they oppressed will not think highly of us for supporting their oppressors.

Nationalistic Chinese who are not hostile to the idea of America hegemony in the region.

Some Americans seem shocked by the idea that other people might not like us. Others take a trip to China, have a pleasant time and come back saying, "Oh, the Chinese are nice people. Not to worry."

Of course the Chinese are nice people. So are we. So are Germans, Japanese, Italians and Iraqis, but we've all gone to war. Nice people in countries don't decide war or peace.

Governments make that decision. Between elections, we Americans have virtually no control over our government, and the Chinese people have even less control over theirs.

There is no such thing as friendship between governments. As the Turk said, sometimes different governments have the same enemy. But sometimes they don't.

You might as well buy a rattlesnake as a pet for your baby as think you can be friends with a Communist.



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COURT RULES THAT SECRET SERVICE AGENTS MUST TESTIFY...



Court strikes a blow for common sense

The Supreme Court struck a blow for common sense last month. It was not a remarkably lusty blow, but in telling Karen Finley to get lost, the high court affirmed the right of Congress to say how the people's money may be spent.

Karen Finley is a performer best known for a monologue in which she coats her bare breasts with chocolate, the better to protest the oppression of women. Or something. In 1990 she applied to the National Endowment for the Arts for a grant to subsidize her performance.

The NEA was then having a hard time of it. Members of Congress were outraged at the endowment's indirect subsidy of two exhibitions of art. One exhibition offered dirty photographs; the other included a blasphemous work of sculpture.

Congress reacted with one of its periodical fits of morality. An amendment was passed directing the NEA to ensure that its grants were judged not only by "artistic excellence,"

but also by "general standards of decency and respect for the diverse beliefs and values of the American public."

Obedient to the congressional mandate, the NEA denied Ms. Finley's grant. She brought suit, arguing that the amendment amounted to viewpoint censorship. What was "indecent" anyhow? The lower federal courts agreed that the 1990 amendment was void for vagueness, but on June 25 the Supreme Court ruled 8-1 that the NEA had acted within its authority.

The majority opinion, written by Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, was a tepid piece of work. The 1990 amendment, she said, was merely "advisory." It imposed no categorical rule against art that is indecent or disrespectful. In any event, such terms as "decency" and "respect" are no more selective or opaque than the criterion of "artistic excellence."

Justice Antonin Scalia, joined by Justice Clarence Thomas, delivered a characteristically astringent opinion concurring in the judgment.

He didn't concur with much else. The 1990 amendment, in his view, was not merely advisory or hortatory.

IT REQUIRED the endowment to take "decency" and "respect" into account in judging applications. And that, he said, "is perfectly constitution-

al."

The First Amendment says that Congress shall make no law "abridging" freedom of speech. To abridge is to diminish, to contract, to deprive of. Ms. Finley and her fellow artists had not been deprived of anything to which they were entitled by right.

Congress did not ABRIDGE the speech of those who disdain the beliefs and values of the American public, nor did it ABRIDGE indecent speech. Those who wish to create indecent and disrespectful art are as unconstrained now as they were before enactment of this statute.

The Karen Finleys of the art world remain entirely free to produce work that offends the unsophisticated bourgeoisie. "They are merely deprived of the additional satisfaction of having the bourgeoisie taxed to pay for it."

The 1990 amendment, said Scalia, "is no more discriminatory, and no less constitutional, than virtually every other piece of funding legislation enacted by Congress."

Indeed, "it is the very business of government to favor and disfavor points of view on innumerable subjects - which is the main reason we have decided to elect those who run the government, rather than save money by making their posts hereditary."

Faithful readers of my com-

mentaries will recall that I have opposed the National Endowment for the Arts from the very beginning. It strikes me as a very dubious idea, for one thing, to create a system of state-approved art. Government has no business saying that this painting gets a seal of approval but this one does not. Such official patronage smacks more of Stalinist Russia than of a free America.

Secondly, I never have found a constitutional justification for the NEA. Its grants, especially to individual applicants, have nothing to do with the GENERAL welfare. Selective handouts to dance groups or little theaters have nothing in common with Social Security, or crop subsidies, or food stamps. These are governed by uniform standards of age, or acres, or income.

The high court's opinion in the Finley case will have little practical application, for the NEA has virtually eliminated grants to individuals. Most of the NEA's funding goes to state agencies for distribution. And despite the plaintive mewling from La Finley and others, the opinion will not "chill" artistic expression.

Some artists may decide not to apply to the NEA for fear that their work may be found indecent or disrespectful. If that doleful prospect is something to cry about, is kindly forgive my dry eyes.

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## House GOP mulls nearly \$1 trillion in tax cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republican leaders are raising their sights for an election year tax cut, in the \$1 trillion range for the next decade, at the same time they plan to set aside hundreds of billions more to preserve Social Security.

A recent Congressional Budget Office estimate of an enormous budget surplus "changes the chemistry. There's more desire to look at how we might prudently use part of the surplus for tax reduction," Rep. Bill Archer, R-Texas, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said Thursday.

President Clinton last winter

said he wanted to set aside the entire surplus to "save Social Security first." Since then, however, estimates of the surplus has risen from \$655 billion over the coming decade to \$1.55 trillion, increasing Republicans eagerness to reduce taxes.

"When he (Clinton) said, 'save Social Security,' the surplus was much smaller than it is now," Archer said.

Speaker Newt Gingrich told reporters on Thursday the GOP leadership is now considering a cut "at least twice the size" of the one that had been on the table previously.

Several other officials said that would put it in the range of

\$250 million over five years and nearly \$1 trillion over 10 years.

The House passed a budget earlier in the year calling for tax cuts of \$101 billion over five years. It was widely presumed that number would shrink in compromise talks with the Senate, which called for cuts of \$30 billion over the same period.

Rep. John Kasich, R-Ohio said Thursday he would revise that plan in the coming week to include "a very significant tax cut."

The plan that cleared the House earlier this year includes \$101 billion in spending restraint to finance the tax cuts.

Kasich said he expects his revised plan to preserve at least some of those reductions to make sure there is enough money for significant tax cuts beginning next year, before the huge surpluses materialize.

"It doesn't reduce the need to reduce government," he added of the projected surpluses.

Neither Archer nor Kasich would discuss either the size or components of any tax cut that will be brought to the floor.

Gingrich earlier in the week said he favors cuts in several areas, including a reduction in the levy on capital gains and the beginning of a phase-out in the so-called marriage penalty.

## EPA proposes easier pollution-standards tests

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency is proposing to cut the paperwork for certifying that new cars meet federal pollution standards. In return, the agency wants manufacturers to conduct tests on cars already in use.

The proposal dramatically would change the way the government monitors the pollution-control performance of new cars and trucks. Industry officials said the method has received preliminary endorsement from manufacturers.

Under the program, the EPA would reduce significantly the amount of test data demanded from manufacturers to certify that new cars meet federal pollution requirements.

The change would mean fewer preproduction tests, testing of fewer models, and less detailed test information sought by the EPA.

EPA Administrator Carol Browner said the proposed streamlining would save auto manufacturers \$55 million a year and thousands of hours of reduced paperwork. The agency

estimated the amount of paperwork for certification would drop from 13,000 pages to 7,000 pages for a major manufacturer.

"We're providing businesses more flexibility in how they go about achieving environmental goals, and we're eliminating paperwork and regulatory requirements where they serve no useful purpose," said Browner.

In return, automakers would have to begin a major program of testing vehicles already sold to customers to show the EPA that their vehicle fleets meet

federal pollution requirements.

Under the proposal, manufacturers would test about 2,000 customer-owned cars one year and again four years after they are sold. If cars fail to meet the federal standard, more cars would be tested to determine whether a recall might be necessary for any model-year vehicle.

According to the EPA, shifting the certification focus from preproduction to actual in-use vehicle tests would provide a better gauge on how all the cars actually perform.

## Cause of TWA crash question lingers

NEW YORK (AP) — TWA still flies between New York and Paris every day, on what is now Flight 924 and part of the legacy of change that marks a fateful anniversary.

It's been two years to the day since TWA Flight 800 exploded off Long Island and plunged into the Atlantic Ocean in a shower of flames, killing all 230 people aboard. The lives of the victims' families were changed forever, but one thing remains constant: No one knows what caused the disaster.

The crash of the Paris-bound flight left its mark in tombstones from Verdun, France, where a family of five was buried, to Montoursville, Pa., home to 16 high school students who perished, along with a teacher and four chaperones.

Kathy and William Rogers said they planned to reminisce today about their daughter Kimberly Marie, who was 17 when she died along with the other French Club students from Montoursville High School who were on the jetliner when it went down.

Time hasn't stood still for anyone touched by the disaster.

The FBI has a new boss in its New York office. The Federal Aviation Administration is studying ways to make aircraft fuel tanks safer. TWA has spent \$15 million on victim support programs.

### Regulation to boost organ donation hits a wall in Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — Led by a lawmaker who says it is insensitive to approach grieving families about donating their loved ones' organs, Congress is moving quietly to overturn regulations intended to increase donations.

After a 1996 study suggested that three in 10 potential donor families were never approached, the Clinton administration told hospitals they must report all deaths to local organizations that specialize in donations.

But that disclosure is seen as a breach of privacy by some. "When someone dies, their body does not belong to the government," said Rep. Ernest Istook Jr., R-Okla.

He has inserted a provision into a spending bill prohibiting the Department of Health and Human Services from enforcing the regulation.

"People have to file tax returns," Istook said. "There is no law mandating that everyone has to consider (organ donation) as an option."

The Senate has yet to write its version of the spending bill, and the president has threatened to veto the House version for unrelated reasons.

The regulation requires that local organ procurement organizations — or hospital personnel trained by them — approach families of people who have died and are medically suitable to donate organs. Hospitals risk losing Medicare payments if they do not.

Rogers and his wife find solace in their new baby girl, Kelsey Marie, born in March, an experience that's been a lesson in learning to love again after the wrenching pain of losing a child.

"We were in such an awful state after her death, and now we have the love to give again," Rogers told Newsday.

TWA Flight 800 crashed July 17, 1996 at 8:32 p.m., 11 minutes after the Boeing 747 had taken off from Kennedy International Airport.

The FBI stepped out of the investigation late last year, saying it had no evidence that a criminal act — a bomb or missile — destroyed the plane. That left mechanical failure, a theory

which was embraced by the National Transportation Safety Board.

In public hearings in December, the NTSB said it was sure there had been an explosion in the 747's center fuel tank, but that it did not know what triggered it.

Seven months later, the investigation goes on.

## Viagra user takes manufacturer to court following heart attack

NEW YORK (AP) — Diego Padro says he paid too high a price for a few days of Viagra-induced sex: a heart attack.

"Viagra changed my life, but not favorably," Padro, 63, said Thursday after filing a \$85 million lawsuit in state Supreme Court against the maker of the impotency treatment drug.

It's the first lawsuit against Pfizer Inc. involving the wildly popular pill that has changed the lives of more than a million men since it hit the market in March.

"He was perfectly healthy, and five days after he started taking Viagra — bam," said Ronald Benjamin, attorney for Padro and his wife, Maria. "The warning about Viagra to the medical profession is inadequate."

Pfizer, which is based in New York, said Viagra is "a safe and effective medicine for erectile dysfunction when used as recommended in the approved package insert."

The drug is taken an hour before intercourse. Padro suffered the heart attack May 26, about a day and a half after taking the last of four pills he was given by his doctor after a checkup that included a cardiogram and treadmill stress test.

Padro said he has diabetes, but no history of heart trouble. His doctor, Dr. David Krumholz, gave Padro no warning about possible side effects from Viagra on men taking certain heart drugs, Padro said. When considering whether to take Viagra, Padro relied on the fact that the Food and Drug Administration had approved the drug as safe for use without regard to age, according to the court complaint.

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# Lockheed calls off \$8.3 billion Northrop purchase

BALTIMORE (AP) — Lockheed Martin's decision to call off an \$8.3 billion acquisition of Northrop Grumman Corp. in the face of government opposition could signal the end of megamergers in the defense industry.

Lockheed Martin Corp. announced its decision late Thursday, citing the companies' failure to overcome federal opposition to the move because of concerns that it would crimp competition.

The announcement involving

the nation's largest and sixth-largest defense contractors ends the era of big mergers in the defense and aerospace industry in North America, said Jerry Weltsch, an analyst for the California market consulting firm Frost & Sullivan.

Now smaller companies will try to diversify, acquiring other companies so they can compete with the giants.

"These second and third-tier companies will start looking at their options," Weltsch said.

The merger's failure also

means Northrop Grumman must now focus on becoming a subcontractor rather than a main supplier of airplanes, said Jon Kutler, president of the investment bank Quarterdeck Investment Partners.

"This deal was Northrop's last chance to remain a fully integrated prime contractor of aircraft," he said. "Now it will likely transition fairly rapidly to being a large subcontractor."

"In other words, it's dropping a tier."

The news came just hours

after the Pentagon said it was unable to work out an agreement with Lockheed to modify the deal and that it would press on with a lawsuit it filed in March to block the merger, the largest ever challenged by the federal government.

"Continuing the litigation at this point is simply not in the best interests of Lockheed Martin's customers, shareholders or employees," said Vance Coffman, Lockheed Martin's chairman and chief executive. He said it was "regrettable" that

the merger did not go through. The Pentagon and Justice Department had argued that the combination of the two aerospace giants would reduce competition in key defense areas such as electronics and missile warning systems.

The case had been scheduled to go to trial Sept. 8.

"We welcome this decision to abandon the transaction," said Joel Klein, assistant attorney general for antitrust.

"This means that the United States government and the

American people will continue to receive the highest possible quality of military products and services in the defense of this nation, at the lowest possible cost to the American taxpayer."

The decision by Lockheed Martin to abandon the deal ends the rapid consolidation that has taken place in the defense industry since the end of the Cold War led to a drop in military spending.

Since 1993, 40 defense-related companies were merged into just four.

# Disputes over Texas tobacco settlement finally agreed upon

DALLAS (AP) — Months after Texas first agreed to settle its multibillion dollar claim against Big Tobacco, the lawsuit is at last settled.

The settlement had been reached in January, but disputes over details in the agreement had held up the deal.

On Thursday, Gov. George W. Bush announced that an agreement had been reached on the remaining dispute over fees for private attorneys who had helped the state with its case.

"An objective arbitration

panel will now decide what is fair compensation for the plaintiffs' attorneys, and that amount will be paid by the tobacco companies," Gov. George W. Bush said in a statement.

All the parties involved in the two disputes that kept the Texas tobacco settlement from actually being settled were called to meet in Texarkana this week by presiding U.S. District Judge David Folsom.

Folsom was said to have told the attorney's to pack their suitcases and that he likes for the

warring parties to work it out among themselves.

His gambit worked. The state's six largest counties and public hospital districts, which had intervened when they found their hospital districts wouldn't be paid directly for having treated indigent residents suffering from smoking-related illnesses, reached agreement over their participation in the settlement on Tuesday.

The money paid to them would be available through the

"most favored nation" clause in the state settlement, attorneys said. That clause prohibits any other state from getting a better deal than Texas.

Attorney General Morales negotiated that money on

Wednesday, increasing Texas' settlement amount from \$15.3 billion to \$17.6 billion. Tobacco insiders say that's the last increase that the state will be allowed.

"Texans ought to be pleased

with the ultimate amount. It looks like we will be given in the \$17 billion range in our overall recovery," Morales said from Texarkana.

"That's a great thing for Texas."

# INS employee said smuggling aliens

SARITA (AP) — An immigration officer whose job included escorting illegal aliens out of the country has been arrested on charges of smuggling aliens into the country.

U.S. Border Patrol officers arrested Jose Luis Espericaeta, 47, on Tuesday night at the checkpoint near this South Texas town.

"There were about 15 aliens in his personal vehicle," said Letty Valadez Garza, spokeswoman for the Border Patrol's McAllen sector. "Some of them were on the seats, others were

on the floor."

Agents became suspicious and began questioning the passengers and found they were illegal aliens, she said.

Espericaeta, who had been stationed for 10 years at the Border Patrol Station in Brownsville, is well known to agents at in Sarita, Ms. Garza said. He's now employed by the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Brownsville, but they recognized him immediately when he drove into the checkpoint area, she said.

"It is very disturbing when

something like this happens," Ms. Garza said. "Alien smuggling is part of life down here, but when it is one of your own, it is very upsetting."

Espericaeta has been charged with bringing in illegal immigrants, transporting them and harboring them.

All three are felony counts, punishable by five years in federal prison and a \$20,000 fine for each immigrant smuggled, she said.

Espericaeta was jailed in Brownsville in lieu of \$50,000 bond.

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Texaco Exploration & Production, Inc has made application with the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for Air Quality Permit No. 36189/PSD-TX-887 to operate five Compressor Engines in Vealmoor, Howard County, Texas. The location of the proposed facility is one mile south on FM 1584 and 2.5 miles east. Additional information concerning this application is contained in the public notice section of this newspaper. This notice is to be published on July 16 & July 17, 1998.

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3. Questions and Answers	9:00 p.m.

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1. Jurassic Park and Genesis	9:30 a.m.
2. Break For Lunch	11:30 a.m.
3. UFO's, Ancient Astronauts, the Lochness Monster, the Bermuda Triangle, and God	1:00 p.m.
4. God, Man, and Caveman	2:00 p.m.
5. Questions and Answers	2:45 p.m.
6. The Nature of God	7:00 p.m.
7. Questions and Answers	8:00 p.m.

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1. Four Foundations For Life	9:00 a.m.
2. Why I Left Atheism	10:00 a.m.
3. Lunch	11:00 a.m.
4. What Is Really God's Will?	12:30 p.m.



This program is presented as a public service by a local group of Christians who seek to restore New Testament Christianity. There will be no admission charge. We will not try to sell you anything, and no collection will be taken during the program. We wish to convince people that they can logically and intelligently believe in God and in the Bible as His Word. Free materials will be available with no strings attached and opportunities will be given to ask questions. Come and enjoy a relaxed visual presentation with no pressure or coercion involved.

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# life!

## QUICK TRIVIA

◆To escape danger, babblers, a group of about 250 medium-sized birds, run and hide rather than flying away.

◆A group of crows is called a murder.

## Got an item?

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

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## Big Spring Herald

Friday, July 17, 1998

## Have you left your first love?

Early this morning while it was still dark outside, I was laying in our king-sized bed asleep with my wife, Debby, when I was awakened by a big wet kiss on my cheek and the warmth of a small, warm body snuggling up next to me.

Our 4-year-old Natalie had climbed into our bed and was communicating her childlike love and trust to daddy as she so often does. Her two sisters were right behind her whispering to each other as they also looked for a place in the night.

As I thought about our little Natalie, her warm affection and unbridled expressions of love for her daddy, I was challenged to examine my own passion for Jesus.

When was the last time that I arose while it was still night and ran to meet with Him, driven by the passion of my first love?

Song of Solomon is said to be the greatest of the songs written by King Solomon, one of the wisest men ever to live. Chapter one records: "Let Him kiss me with kisses of His mouth - for your love is better than wine. Pleasing is the fragrance of Your perfume; your Name is like perfume poured out. No wonder the maidens love You! Take me away with You - let us hurry! Let the king bring me into His chambers!"

This is an indescribable picture of first-love passion that the Bride of Christ has for Jesus. A love that must be with Him, an all-consuming, think-about-Him-all-the-time kind of love.

The apostle John wrote from an encounter with Jesus in Revelation to the church at Ephesus: "I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked men, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. You have persevered and have endured hardships for My name, and have not grown weary. Yet I hold this against you: You have left your first love."

I don't know where you are in this scenario. Maybe you Please see **BASKIN**, Page 8A



PAUL BASKIN

## Riding for a cure Local cyclist joins effort to fight multiple sclerosis

By **DEBBIE L. JENSEN**  
Features Editor

On Saturday morning, Jerry Farmer of Big Spring will be among the more than 100 cyclists who take to the streets for the fight against multiple sclerosis.

"I started out just to see if I could do it last year," said Farmer, who served three years as communications coordinator for the Cactus & Crude MS 150, which is sponsored this year by Fina and 7-Eleven.

After training six weeks, Farmer said the first day of last year's ride went fine. The second day, however, he was extremely sore and tired.

"I got to thinking about the people that were sick, and what they were going through, and that kept me going," he said.

Despite his fatigue, and problems with his bike, Farmer finished the 150-mile ride last year, with the determination that he would ride again this year.

"I would have finished if I had to push my bike last year," he said. "It's a challenge."

This year's ride begins Saturday morning in Midland, with an overnight in Big Spring, continuing on to Snyder Sunday. Cyclists take a route over back roads that amounts to 75 miles each day.

"We drink a lot of water before we start," Farmer explained, describing how the participants will cope with this summer's extreme heat. "We

are supplied energy drinks, fruit, and we just drink and eat all we can."

Rest stops are provided every 10 miles along the route. Paramedics are available along the course also, and Farmer, who carries a ham radio on his bike, will be part of the communication system for riders in trouble.

"If you pat your hand on your head, that means you need help," Farmer explained.

Surviving the ride, and enjoying it, is just a matter of mind over pain, Farmer said.

"You've got to use your brain to make your legs work."

It also helps to have the right equipment. Farmer's bicycle is equipped with special pedals that hold his feet in, a bike pump, and space for two or three water bottles. It is also adjusted to the correct size and seat height for him.

Among the special benefits for riders this year is a clinic with Olympic cyclists on Saturday afternoon.

After the first day ends, Farmer predicted he will use ice packs on his legs, take a pain reliever and get a good night's sleep. Then he expects to get up early Sunday and be ready to go for the second day.

Riders get a police escort and take off after a tribute that includes the "Star Spangled Banner."

Farmer will be riding this year in honor of two women with MS, Jonel Smallwood and Trisha Tompkins, as well as others in the local area. He has been gathering pledges in



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

**Big Spring resident Jerry Farmer will join the Fina/7-Eleven Cactus & Crude MS 150 Saturday as it begins in Midland. The tour, raising money for the fight against multiple sclerosis, arrives in Big Spring for activities and meals Saturday.**

advance, and hopes to reach the \$1,000 mark. Last-minute pledges can be made by calling him this evening at 267-6093.

"I'd love to see more from Big Spring riding," he said. "The support for the people is needed. This is a great cause."

## Chick's tracts are where comics and religion meet

**RANCHO CUCAMONGA, Calif. (AP)** — Across the land, they turn up in the oddest places, tucked away at highway rest stops, atop pay phones, on buses and at motel front desks — tiny comic booklets the size and shape of baseball cards, pointing the way toward salvation.

The titles are the first attraction. "Where's Rabbi Waxman?" "Gomez Is Coming." "The Death Cookie." "Somebody Goofed." Inside, black-and-white drawings that seem a stylistic cross between "Mary Worth" and Mad magazine chronicle people battling to beat back evil, repent and accept Jesus Christ.

This is the life's work of Jack T. Chick.

For nearly 40 years, from a small office-warehouse in this

foothill community of the San Gabriel Mountains, he has blended pop culture and populist religion into a blunt, sometimes downright intimidating evangelical Christian message — that only by receiving Jesus in the exact way the Scripture dictates can humans avoid being cast into the lake of fire.

The 13-cent tracts, with dozens of titles, have been translated into 43 languages, from Estonian to Tagalog, and distributed free throughout the world, often by missionaries. But it is in the United States where they seem omnipresent, part of the background noise of the culture; anyone who's taken a cross-country trip has probably seen them lying around, left by local church members to be picked up by passers-by.

Chick keeps a low profile. He gives no interviews; his staff responded to a list of e-mail questions.

But it is clear that Chick Publications Inc., which also publishes conventional religious books, believes comic art — a longtime bugaboo of conservative Christians — can reach out to more people than plain old text.

"There are constantly new generations coming along that need to hear about Jesus," the company responded this month. "Thanks to television worldwide, minds are more open to illustrated stories than ever before. People can tuck these little tracts into their pocket and read them at their leisure."

The messages are memorable, whether by persuasiveness,

four or both. They usually focus on a person at a spiritual crossroads who can accept or reject Christ. They use linguistic vernacular. And they typically end with the person, newly dead, sitting before God and being welcomed into heaven or dispatched to a graphic hell.

The drawings make the biggest impression. Demons and evil or ne'er-do-well humans are rendered in near-caricature, either as jowly and corpulent or gaunt and hollow-eyed. They laugh like this: "HAW HAW HAW!" Christians, by contrast, are generally well-groomed, well-dressed and, more often than not, white.

Many tracts suggest that other points of view lead to damnation. "Last Rites" brands Roman Catholicism a "false religion."

## Pioneering pilot wants shot at space NASA promised her

**CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)** — She was deep in the Amazon jungle when Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin stepped onto the moon, and she was there, still serving as a missionary pilot, when NASA tapped John Glenn to fly again.

The rain forest has been Jerrie Cobb's home, and the indigenous people her family, ever since NASA spurned her in the early 1960s — even though she passed the same torturous tests taken by Glenn and the six other Mercury astronauts.

Thirty-eight years after

becoming NASA's first female astronaut candidate, Cobb has emerged from the jungle to crusade for the space shot she was promised.

Glenn's return to orbit this fall at age 77 has given Cobb, and her many supporters, hope.

"I would give my life to fly in space, I really would," says Cobb, 67, her eyes misting. "It's hard for me to talk about it," she apologizes softly, "but I would. I would then, and I will now."

"It just didn't work out then, and I just hope and pray it will now."

For more than three months, NASA has been deluged with letters and petitions urging that Cobb be assigned to a space shuttle flight. "A multitude," says NASA spokesman Dwayne Brown, unable to provide an exact count.

They include the National Women's History Project; the American Association of University Women of California; James Inhofe and Don Nickles, the senators from Oklahoma, Cobb's home state; Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein of California; and a Fresno Pacific University

education instructor who started the "Send Jerrie into Space" campaign.

"It's the fair thing to do for someone who was trained for three years to become an astronaut and then made a consultant," says the instructor, Donald Dorrough. "She's still trying to figure out what that (consultant) means. It doesn't mean flying in space."

NASA's Brown says: "At this time, there are no plans to fly her."

Dorrough wrote to Cobb in late January, two weeks after NASA announced that Glenn,

the first American to orbit the Earth, would become the oldest person in space in October as part of a geriatric study.

Cobb didn't see Dorrough's letter until she visited Florida in March to collect six months' worth of mail. She returned to the headwaters of the Amazon to tell her indigenous friends she'd be gone for a while, parked her twin-engine bush plane in Panama, and came back to plead her case to aviator groups, reporters, anyone who would listen.

Cobb even wrote to Senator Please see **PILOT**, Page 8A

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Glenn, congratulating him on his upcoming space shuttle flight. And by the way, she asked, "Can you find it in your heart to support me for a space flight?"

By the end of June, nearly two months later, she still hadn't heard back. Glenn spokesman Jack Sparks says the senator has been too busy to answer mail but will get in touch. "He considers Jerrie Cobb a friend," Sparks says.

Visiting the Kennedy Space Center, Cobb insisted she has no hard feelings toward NASA or "the boys" — Glenn and the other Mercury astronauts. She just wants the same chance as Glenn.

"If they think it's important to study an older man, I can't see why it's not important to study an older woman," the fit-looking Cobb explained in an interview. "But I really have never wanted to get into the man-woman thing."

It was a man-woman thing from the start. NASA wanted jet test pilots for its initial astronauts, and back then that meant only men. Military men.

It didn't matter that Cobb was a record-setting pilot who had logged more than 10,000 hours in aircraft. Or that in 1960, just

like the Mercury men, she had ice water poured into her ears, a 3-foot rubber hose pushed down her throat, and needles jammed into her nerves. Or that 12 other female pilots subsequently passed the astronaut physical exams, conducted in secrecy by NASA.

"The men go off and fight the wars and fly the airplanes and come back and help design and build and test them," Glenn testified before a House subcommittee in July 1962, five months after his historic rocket ride.

"The fact that women are not in this field is a fact of our social order."

"There are many unknowns," echoed Scott Carpenter, who followed Glenn into orbit, "and it is important for us to eliminate as many of these unknowns before the flights take place as is possible."

When reminded of his comments, Carpenter, now 73, says he always believed women were as capable of space flight as men. In the feverish competition with the Soviets, however, "we didn't want to do anything that would degrade our effort."

"What we wanted," stresses Mercury flight director Chris Kraft, "were people who were

used to putting their lives on the line daily and making in-flight decisions that would not be tainted by fear."

"Had we lost a woman back then because we decided to fly a woman rather than a man," says Kraft, "we would have been castrated."

Instead of an astronaut, or astronautrix or astronette as the news media dubbed her, NASA made Cobb a consultant. She traveled around the country, drumming up support for the space program. One week after commenting, "I'm the most unconsulted consultant in any government agency," she was out.

So ended Cobb's chance of becoming the first woman in space.

That honor went to the Soviet Union's Valentina Tereshkova in 1963. That year, a heartbroken Cobb moved to South America and began ferrying medicine and supplies for church groups. She formed a nonprofit foundation to finance the effort.

Twelve years later, Cobb was nominated for a Nobel peace prize for her work in the rain forest. And two years after that, in 1983, an American woman, Sally Ride, finally soared into space.

**BASKIN**

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are a church goer and you do a lot of things right. You may be honest and hard working, and are kind and loving to your family, friends and neighbors and people where you work.

Maybe you are a good businessman and pay all of your bills. Morally, you may be a righteous, law-abiding citizen. It is an amazing thing to consider that we can do everything right and still miss the Love of our life — the pure joy of an intimate first-love relationship with the One who created us. Did you know that time with Him reveals a great deal about who we really are?

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Isn't it time to plant a kiss on His face again?

Paul Baskin is pastor at Wesley United Methodist Church.

**CHURCH**

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School classes for adults, youth and children. There is a Wednesday noon Bible study class and meal each week in Garrett Hall and everyone is invited to attend. Call the church office at 267-6394 for more details.

**College Baptist**

Eleven local girls and leaders from College Baptist Church joined nearly 11,000 teen-aged girls from all 50 states and Puerto Rico for the National Acten Convention July 1-4 in Louisville, Ky.

Actens is the missions organization for girls in grades seven through 12, sponsored by the Woman's Missionary Union in Birmingham, Ala. Between general sessions and performances by various Christian musicians, teens and leaders experienced on-site and off-site ministry projects.

Local girls and leaders participating were: Vickey Bloodworth, Debbie Gunn,

Jennifer Hatfield, Stacey Bloodworth, Rachel Ray, Ashley Bierson, Julie Gunn, Melissa Ray, Tori Bennett, Jennifer Lewis, and Vernon Bloodworth, who drove the van for the group.

**First Presbyterian**

Five youth group members from First Presbyterian Church are leaving Tuesday for the Presbyterian Youth Triennium, a gathering of about 6,000 delegates from the Presbyterian Church all over the world.

Ryan Miracle, Patrick Farquhar, Bryan Kennemur, Lori Maines and Zach Smiley will be part of the event at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind. The theme is "Arise, Shine for Your Light Has Come."

The local group will travel to Triennium with about 40 other youth from Tres Rios Presbytery, which includes other cities in the West Texas area.

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IN BRIEF

Sweetwater, Sands take big Crossroads victories

League-leading Sweetwater and second-place Sands took big wins Thursday in Crossroads Girls Summer Basketball League play at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

Sweetwater improved to 14-0 on the season with a 40-32 win over upset-minded Stanton, while Sands romped to a 46-18 win over Grady, improving to an 11-4 record while Grady slipped to 10-5-1.

Odessa maintained fourth place with a 31-26 win over Sterling City, while Garden City took a 27-10 win over Big Spring.

The only other game scheduled saw Coahoma take a forfeit win over Ira.

Running club schedules 5K run at Comanche Trail

The Comanche Warrior Running Club will hold an organizational 5K fun run through Comanche Trail Park on at 7:30 a.m. Saturday.

Registration is set for 7 a.m. at the Figure 7 Tennis Center. The fee is \$2 per entrant.

For more information, call Jill Brode at 263-5359.

Women's Club planning benefit golf tournament

The Big Spring Women's Club will host a benefit golf tournament Saturday at the Big Spring Country Club.

Proceeds will be used to pay for improvements to Kid's Zone.

The four-person scramble with teams made up of A, B, C, D handicaps. The entry fee is \$40 per person, plus cart rental.

For more information, call the country club at 267-5354 or Julie Wolf at 263-7664.

Golf touney scheduled to help scholarship fund

Hispanic Women for Progress has scheduled its 11th annual golf tournament for Sunday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Tee times will be from 10 a.m. to noon.

The four-man scramble will raise funds for the organization's scholarship fund.

Teams will be composed of A,B,C,D players and entry fees are \$15 per player.

Trophies will be awarded to the top three teams and prizes will be awarded for the longest drive and closest to the hole.

For more information, call Essie Ortiz at 264-7865.

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

Former 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 that group will be \$95.

Registration forms are available at Athletic Supply, Neal's Sporting Goods and the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

ON THE AIR

TODAY: AUTO RACING 7 p.m. — World of Outlaws, Eldora Clash, TNN, Ch. 35.

BASEBALL 6:35 p.m. — Milwaukee Brewers at Atlanta Braves, TBS, Ch. 11. 7:30 p.m. — San Francisco Giants at Houston Astros, FXS, Ch. 29.

CYCLING 11:30 p.m. — Tour De France, Stage 6, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Rangers pitching wilts under heat, Orioles take advantage

ARLINGTON (AP) — Despite their longest winning streak of the season, the Baltimore Orioles have a long way to go to get back in the AL wild-card race.

Roberto Alomar went 4-for-6 with two doubles as the Orioles won their eighth straight with a 9-3 victory over the Texas Rangers on Thursday night.

The Orioles have virtually no chance of catching the New York Yankees, who lead Baltimore by 24 1/2 games in the AL East. They still have an outside shot at the wild card, although they trail current front-runner Boston by 10 1/2 games.

"This has been a nice streak and I hope we carry on, but we're still a long way out," said Scott Erickson, who pitched seven effective innings for the Orioles.

Alomar said Rangers pitchers were worn down by the 96 degree heat, and the Orioles capitalized.

"In this heat, the pitchers get tired and we took advantage of that," said Alomar, who matched his career-high for hits for the third time this season. "They were leaving the ball up in the zone and if you do that against this offense, you're going to get hurt."

Alomar is 20-for-38 against the Rangers this season and is batting .338 for his career against Texas.

"Robby put on a show tonight," Orioles manager Ray Miller said. "He's one of two or three players who, when they're focused and playing, can do almost anything they want to do. He's one of those guys. He's quite a player."

The Orioles had 18 hits, one off their season high set Wednesday night in a 14-3 victory over the Rangers.

Baltimore took a 4-1 lead in the third against Aaron Sele (12-6). Eric Davis and Surhoff hit RBI singles and Lenny Webster had a two-run double.

The Orioles added a run in the fourth on Cal Ripken's RBI single, and the Rangers made it 5-2 in the fourth on Luis Alicea's run-scoring groundout.

Baltimore chased Sele in the fifth. Mike Bordick and Alomar had one-out singles, and Bordick scored on Gonzalez's throwing error to make it 6-2.

Sele, who had won three of his previous four decisions, allowed six runs and 12 hits in 4 1/3 innings.

"I was struggling with location and just couldn't make the adjustment," Sele said. "The pitches were up. We were playing the hottest team in baseball and when you make mistakes, they get hit."

Junior All-Stars romp to title

By JOHN A. MOSELEY Sports Editor

Big Spring's All-Stars literally conducted a clinic in hitting Thursday, taking the District 3 Junior League Tournament championship with a 22-1 over Midland Eastern's All-Stars.

In taking its second straight district championship, Big Spring pounded out 22 hits including a pair of doubles and three triples, making it an extremely long night for Eastern's beleaguered pitching staff.

The Midlanders, having fought their way back through the loser's bracket to the title game after dropping a 16-5 loss to Big Spring in the tournament's third round, were simply no match for the well-rested host team.

Technically, however, Big Spring was forced to mount a comeback for the win, as Midland Eastern took a brief 1-0 win in the top of the second inning when first baseman Garrett Elander led off the frame with a single and scored on a double by teammate Aaron Schrank.

But that would be all Big Spring's Dustin Beauchamp would give up in going the distance for the win, allowing five Midland hits while walking three and striking out two.

Even Big Spring manager Rudy Hernandez, who throughout the tournament had extolled his team's ability to hit the ball, admitted being surprised at the magnitude of the slaughter.

"I didn't think we'd pound them that bad," Hernandez said after watching his team end the game in just 4 1/2 innings. "I knew the sticks would get hot, because we've concentrated on hitting for the last three weeks. All that work really paid off."

Hernandez admitted he knew his team would have an edge, simply because two days rest had provided him a variety of pitchers to call on.

"We had two other kids that were ready to go if Dustin had run into trouble," he explained. "I really believe we had the best pitching in the tournament ... we only had one game when our starter didn't go the distance."

The Big Spring squad will now play the role of host in sub-sectional tournament play when they open that four-team affair July 23 at the Roy Anderson Sports Complex.

Midland's 1-0 lead in the second lasted only a few moments, evaporating as soon as Big Spring got its chance in the bottom half of the inning.

Erik Chavez, one of five Big Spring players that finished 3-for-4 at the plate, led off with a single up the middle and swiped second before Mario Hernandez reached on an infield single that allowed Chavez to tie the game when Midland shortstop Patrick Carrasco was charged with a throwing error.

Beauchamp then singled off Midland starter Matthew Daugherty, putting runners at the corners, and set the stage for a triple to the fence in right center by Brandon Mendoza that provided what would prove to be the game-winning runs.

Catcher Andrew Vizciano capped the 4-run rally with a ground out to second that scored Mendoza.



Big Spring Junior All-Stars outfielder Roy Holland takes a cut at a pitch from Midland Eastern's Matthew Daugherty in the first inning of Big Spring's 22-1 win in the District 3 tournament's championship game.

HERALD photo/T.E. Jenkins

That rally only hinted at what Daugherty and two other Midland pitchers, Jeff Jones and Phillip Mancha, would encounter in the bottom of the third when Big Spring batted around twice, scoring 14 runs on 12 hits and seven Eastern errors.

After Daugherty opened the third by giving up a walk to Jon Eilenberger and an RBI single to Chavez, Midland coaches called on Jones to try and quell the riot.

But Jones fell victim as well. Hernandez reached base on an error before Beauchamp struck out. Still another error allowed Mendoza to reach base, set the stage for Vizciano to rip an RBI single to right.

Another error allowed Mendoza to score and Michael Ornales followed with an RBI single, only to be thrown out trying to stretch the hit into a double.

Five successive singles and Mendoza's second triple of the game make it 14-1, but Big Spring still wasn't finished. Vizciano reached base on an error in his second appearance during the inning and a single by Billy Bob Walker finally chased Jones and brought on Mancha.

Ornales, who finished 3-for-3 with 3 RBIs, capped the 14-run inning with a single to right that drove in two runs.

Mancha was in immediate trouble when Big Spring got back to the plate in the bottom of the fourth.

Eilenberger led off with a double and scored with Hernandez ripped a one-out double to left. Beauchamp then tripled to right center and Mendoza singled to left, forcing Midland coaches to bring on Zach Frisbie.

Vizciano greeted Frisbie with a single to left and Nathan Clements capped the four-run outburst by driving in Mendoza with a grounder to second.

While Chavez was 3-for-4 with a pair of RBIs, matching Beauchamp's production, Mendoza led the way with a 3-for-4 showing and driving in four runs. Hernandez was 3-for-4 with 3 RBIs, while Eilenberger also was 3-for-4. Vizciano finished 2-for-4 at the plate with a pair of RBIs, while Ornales was a perfect 3-for-3 and drove in three runs.

Taylor Fraser and Walker provided Big Spring's other two hits

SENIOR LEAGUE

Big Spring 6, EP Frank Manning 4

ODESSA — Willis Morrison threw 6 1/3 strong innings on the mound and Jason Choate provided a 3-run triple in the fourth Thursday to lead Big Spring's All-Star team to a 6-4 win over El Paso Frank Manning at the District 3 Senior League Tournament.

The win, the El Paso squad's first of the tournament, forces a rubber game set for 7 tonight at Sherwood Park to determine the district championship. That game will be broadcast on KBST-AM 1490.

Frank Manning knocked off Big Spring, 7-1, earlier in the tournament, forcing them to fight their way through the loser's bracket to reach the finals.

Morrison gave up three runs, all of them unearned, and allowed just four hits in chalking up the victory. Isaac Willborn came in to get the final two outs of the game, earning a save in the process.

Choate's big hit came with the bases loaded, two out and Frank Manning owning a 2-1 lead. His shot to right center, however, gave Morrison all the edge he'd need.

UGSA ALL-STAR TOURNAMENT

ABILENE — Forsan's Comet, making their first every appearance at the United Girls Softball Association Division III All-Star Fastpitch Tournament, earned a spot in today's championship final by winning three of four games they played Thursday.

With Eve Tobar and Vanessa Ochoa again providing solid pitching performances, the Forsan squad knocked off Albany 8-7 in the first game Thursday, only to suffer an 8-3 loss to Hawley.

The Comet rebounded in the next game, however, knocking off Breckenridge 6-5. Megan Earhart coming through with the game-winning hit.

Facing an 0-2 count with two out in the sixth inning, Earhart doubled to drive in the winning run, earning the Comet another shot at Hawley.

Ochoa and Ashley Reed both provided doubles, Ochoa driving in three runs in the nightcap, an 8-7 Comet win. The game-winner, however, came on a steal of home by Candice Cerda.

Cowboys' top rookie gets plenty of pressure

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Greg Ellis doesn't have financial pressure anymore. Nobody just handed a \$5.4 million check does.

But Ellis, the Dallas Cowboys' top draft pick, has perhaps more pressure to perform than any rookie picked in the first round since Bob Lilly and Tony Dorsett.

The Cowboys are counting on the 6-foot-6, 280-pound Ellis to be a force a defensive end. Immediately.

The former star for the North Carolina Tarheels steps into a talent-deprived position.

Veteran Tony Tolbert was cut because of his bad knees. Shante Carver was cut because he couldn't play.

That leaves Kavika Pittman, another high draft choice who has yet to dominate, and Ellis, to man the ends for the Cowboys this year.

Ellis understands. He knows his big boss, owner Jerry Jones, is watching.

"He wants me to get to the quarterback, no matter how I do it," said Ellis, who is extremely quick for a big man.

Don't even try to tell Ellis he could be the next Charles Haley.

"I'm not trying to fill anybody's shoes," said the level-headed Ellis. "I'm kicking them out of the way and wearing my own shoes."

Coach Chan Gailey said it doesn't bother him that Ellis is a raw, undeveloped talent.

"We're going to put him into the position to contend and play and if he doesn't play good it's not going to be good for the team," Gailey said. "But if he plays well it will be real good for this team."

Defensive coordinator Dave Campo said Ellis could be a good one.

"He has all the tools," Campo said. "Now, we have to see how bad he wants it. He has a great attitude. Now, it's down to work."

As for as the work part goes, Ellis has already been very well compensated with his six-year, \$11.5 million contract.

Ellis got a heavy indoctrination in his first camp workout going against All-Pro Larry Allen.

"That's how you improve," Ellis said. "You know where you stand when you go against

Tiger out front; Americans dominate

SOUTHPORT, England (AP) — American weather.

American golfers. For one day, at least, they went together like tea and crumpets at the British Open.

With Tiger Woods and John Huston leading the way, Americans dominated the leaderboard in an opening round played under conditions more like a summer day in San Diego than the normal blustery conditions on the coast of the Irish Sea.

Players who make their living on the friendly courses of the PGA Tour were right at home on the smooth fairways and soft greens of Royal Birkdale, and the scores showed it. Eight tour regulars were among the top 10 leaders, and the top five players all live in the United States.

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Woods and Huston shot 65s, while Fred Couples, Loren Roberts and Nick Price were only a stroke behind. In all, 27 golfers broke par and another 14 matched it on a course that only days earlier was generating predictions of U.S. Open-type scores.

Those predictions came when the wind was blowing, however, and only a breeze rippled through the bushes and tall meadow rye Thursday as Woods took his first lead in a major since winning the 1997 Masters.

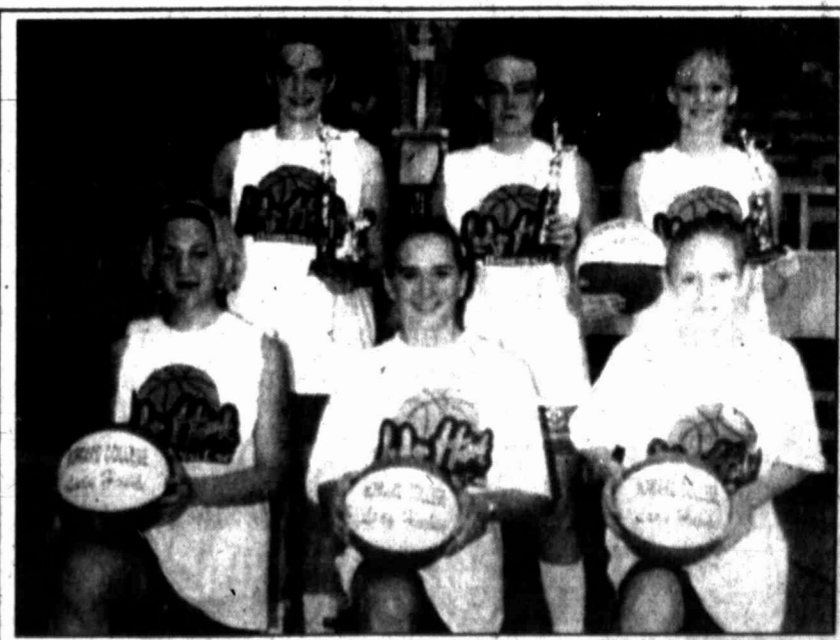
The sun even came out by midmorning, about the same time that Woods was making his run.

"As the sun broke through, it was almost perfect," Woods said. "We might even get some people with heat stroke out here."

Woods, using a putter given to him by buddy Mark O'Meara, broke out of the putting slump that has bedeviled him in the majors since his Masters win. He made four birdie putts on the front nine, and then ran in a curling 35-footer on the 13th hole.

Woods would have had the lead all to himself but couldn't get up-and-down from just off the 18th green, missing a 5-footer for a bogey 5.

"Hopefully, if he continues to putt well I'll get a commission on some of his rewards," said O'Meara, the Masters champion who opened with a 72.



Here are award winners from the Howard College Lady Hawks Basketball Camp. Front row, from left, are Brittany Bryant, Kimberly Knox and Brooke Ransberger. Back row: Melissa Flenniken, Latrisha Rollins and Crystal Atkinson.

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MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

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Big Unit fires one-hitter at Twins

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

For one night, all was right in Seattle with the Mariners. After fans lined up outside to get their heads shaved on Jay Buhner Buzz Cut Night, they came inside the Kingdome and saw Ken Griffey Jr. make another amazing catch and Randy Johnson pitch a masterpiece.

Griffey aided Johnson with his second spectacular, back-to-the-plate catch this week when he caught up with Ron Coomer's drive near the center-field fence in the second. Coomer shook his head in frustration and fans gave Griffey a standing ovation when he came off the field.

Yankees for the second time this season. Despite the loss, New York (67-22) kept pace with the 1902 Pirates for the best record this century after 89 games. David Cone (13-3) lost for the first time since June 19 at Cleveland.

Johnson took a no-hitter into the eighth inning before giving up a one-out single to Brent Gates, and finished with a one-hitter as the Mariners defeated the Minnesota Twins 3-0 Thursday night.

Luis Gonzalez hit a tiebreaking RBI single in the eighth, sending New York to just its second loss in 14 games. Brian Moehler (10-6) improved to 9-0 at home and beat the

Nomar Garciaparra went 4-for-4 with a three-run homer and five RBIs and Troy O'Leary hit a grand slam at Fenway Park. Garciaparra had a three-run homer and two doubles for the Red Sox, who scored seven runs in the eighth inning.

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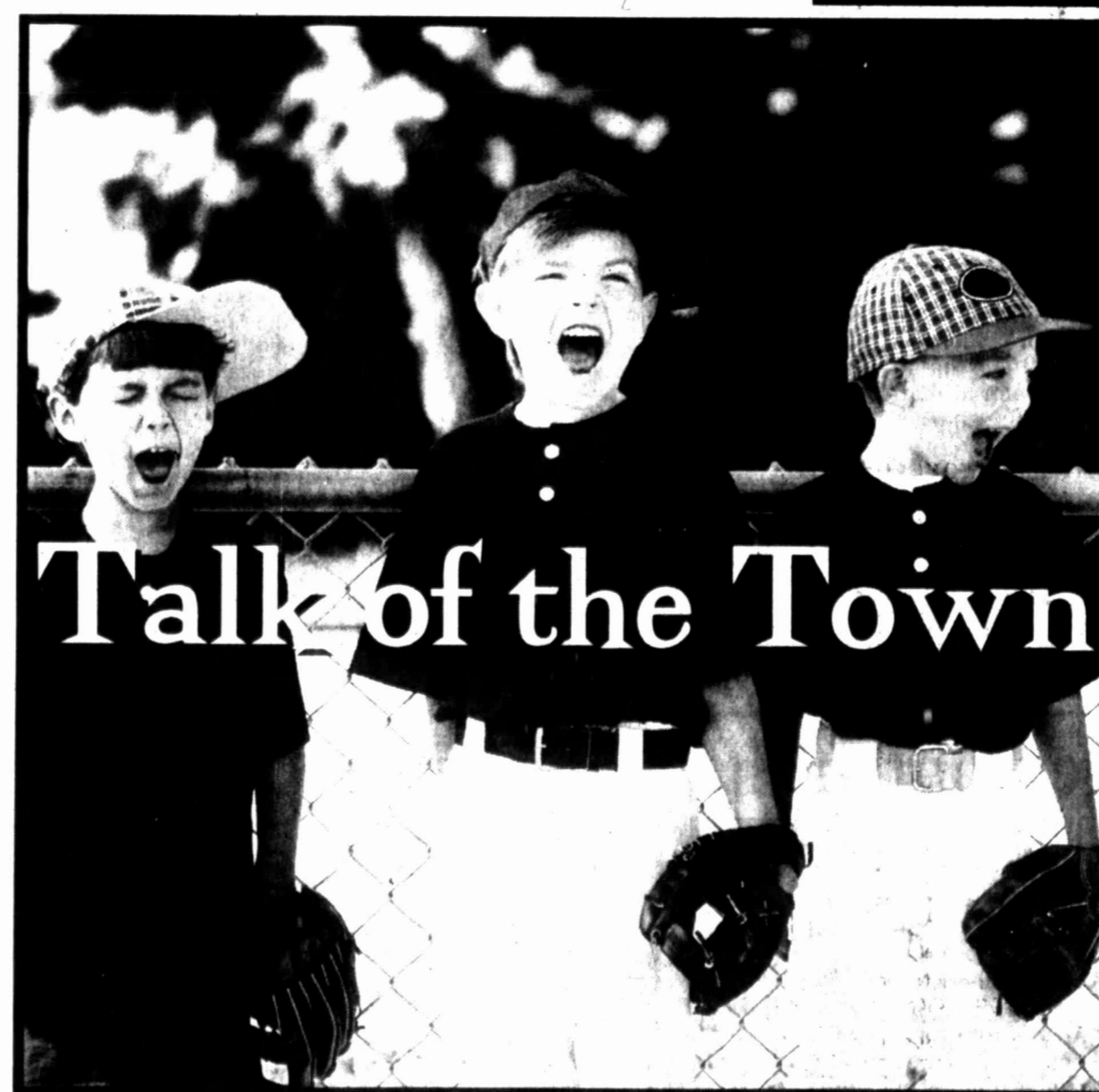
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Doak Walker slated to be released from hospital in next two weeks

DALLAS (AP) — Former Southern Methodist football star Doak Walker, paralyzed in a January skiing accident, is expected to be released from a Colorado hospital in the next two weeks, his son says. Scott Walker told The Dallas Morning News his father is expected to be released from the Craig (Colo.) Hospital to a rehabilitation center in Steamboat Springs, Colo.



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# Jordan all but retired

LONG GROVE, Ill. (AP) — If Michael Jordan said it once, he's said it a hundred times: He won't play for any coach but Phil Jackson.

Think he's bluffing? Go ahead, try him.

With Jackson gone, Jordan is talking like a man who's already got one foot out the door. He left himself an out Thursday — and His Airness has changed his mind before — but it's a very small one.

"I feel very strong to my decision that I wouldn't play for anybody other than Phil Jackson," Jordan said after playing in a pro-am golf tournament.

"I feel that way right now," he said. "If you ask me that in two or three months, that may change. But I don't think it will. I'm pretty sure that's my decision."

Though he won't make an official announcement about his future until the NBA lock-out ends, Jordan's remarks were his strongest yet. But the labor impasse is likely to drag on for several months, leaving the Bulls plenty of time to find some way to make Jordan happy.

That's not what this is about, Jordan insisted. He doesn't want to pick the new coach. He knows chairman Jerry Reinsdorf can choose whomever he wants.

That doesn't mean Jordan has to play for the guy.

"It is his team," Jordan said. "Whatever choice he makes doesn't force me to play for his choice. I have choices at the same time."

"He made a stance on Phil Jackson, and that pretty much makes my stance," he said. "Some people may interpret it as Jerry Reinsdorf is forcing me out of the game. I can either choose to play for that guy he hires or choose not to play."

Reinsdorf said Wednesday he discussed the coaching candidates with Jordan before July 1, adding that Jordan doesn't have veto power. Make no mistake, though, Reinsdorf knows all too well just how important this decision is to Jordan's future.

Reinsdorf did not return a call from The Associated Press on Thursday.

"I think I understand Michael," Reinsdorf said Wednesday. "I would be foolish to hire somebody without feeling confident that this is somebody that Michael could play for."

Could and would are two different things, however. Jordan said he won't play for a college coach or a young coach. That leaves out Iowa State's Tim Floyd, a buddy of general manager Jerry Krause and the apparent front-runner to replace Jackson.

Floyd, whom Jordan derisively referred to as "Pink" during the season, has no NBA coaching experience.

Current NBA assistants Rick Carlisle, Ron Rothstein, Paul Silas and Scott Skiles also have interviewed for the job.

"I don't know Tim Floyd. I don't have anything against Tim Floyd," Jordan said. "To do that is like starting out all over again, and that's what I don't want to do. He may want to do that. But I don't."

When it comes down to it, there's really only one guy Jordan wants: Jackson. Sure, he'd play for Dean Smith, but Smith coaching the Bulls is an even slimmer possibility than Jackson coming back.

Which puts Jordan right back where he started.

"I've always stuck to my guns. I always said I would not play without Phil Jackson. I haven't changed that," he said.

Jackson made good on threat to leave after the Bulls won their sixth title. Reinsdorf asked Jackson back for another year, with or without Scottie Pippen. But Jackson declined.

"I'm pretty sure they made him an offer," Jordan said. "But you kick a guy out at the beginning of the season and you offer him a contract at the end of the season, it doesn't show much loyalty. That's hard to accept. I'm probably sure I wouldn't accept the contract, either."

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Should We  
Criticize?



At one time or another, every-  
one  
is criticized for something. But  
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is that it is virtually impossible to please everyone all of  
the time. Sometimes when we are criticized, a gentle  
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
Texaco Exploration & Production, Inc. has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for issuance of Air Quality Permit No. 36189P/SD-TX-887 to authorize the operation of live Compressor Engines at the Vasmoor Compressor Station located one mile south on FM 1884 and 2.5 miles east, Vasmoor, Howard County, Texas. The proposed facility will emit the following air contaminants: nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, volatile organic compounds, and sulfur dioxide. A person who may be affected by air contaminants emitted from the proposed facility may request a hearing. If the applicant demonstrates the proposed facility will comply with all applicable air quality requirements, the applicant will qualify for issuance of a permit. The subject of a hearing would be limited to applicable air quality requirements, which do not include issues such as water quality, noise, traffic safety, or zoning. If a hearing is held, it will be a legal proceeding similar to civil trials in state district court. To request a hearing, you must submit the following: (1) your name (or a group or association, an official representative), mailing address, daytime phone number, and fax number, if any; (2) the applicant's name and permit number; (3) the statement "I am requesting a public hearing;" (4) a brief, specific statement of how and why emissions from the proposed facility would adversely affect you in a way not common to members of the general public; and (5) the location of your property relative to the proposed facility. Hearing requests or comments on the application must be received in writing at the Chief Clerk's Office, MC-105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, within 30 days after the second publication of this notice. This notice is to be published on July 16 & July 17, 1998. The application and the TNRCC's preliminary analysis are available for review and reproduction at the TNRCC Office of Air Quality, 12124 Park 24th Circle, Building 12, Austin, Texas 78753. Application documents, a compliance file if any exists, and further information may be obtained from the TNRCC Midland Regional Office, Air Program located at 3300 North A Street, Building 4, Suite 107, Midland, Texas 79705, telephone (915) 570-1359. Individual members of the public who wish to inquire about the information contained in this notice, or to inquire about other agency permit applications or permitting processes, should call the TNRCC Office of Public Assistance, toll free, at 1-800-667-4040. 1982 July 16 & 17, 1998

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, JULY 18:**  
You get what you want this year. There could be a lot of confusion over money, but because of your ingenuity you can figure out which way to go. Career blossoms in 1999, the culmination of several years of dedication. Your constant willingness to learn more adds to your professional status. Networking plays a significant role in building a successful career. If you are single, romance is no longer a stranger. To make the right choices, determine exactly what you are looking for in a sweetheart. If attached, you experience a major accomplishment as a couple. Respect each other's uniqueness. TAURUS shares your dreams.

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)**  
Your sense of humor carries you through the twists and turns of the day's confusion. Opt to spend time with family. Make plans together, and invite others over. You gain a sense of well being as being surrounded by so many caring people. Tonight: Let it all hang out.\*\*\*

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
You can make success happen, even if you don't think so. The world is your oyster; just ask for what you want. Your ability to communicate and reach for the stars keeps you in the winner's circle. Don't settle for less than perfection. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.\*\*\*\*

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
Lie low this morning. You need time to yourself. Schedule that hair appointment or massage. Doting on yourself helps you deal with a mandatory appearance. Intuition is right on with a boss. Gracefully accept a compliment. Tonight: Relax with your best friend.\*\*\*

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
Join friends, and let go of confusion. Take off. A spontaneous get-together proves healing and fun. Relax, and let things happen. You don't need to push so hard. News from a distance puts a smile on your face. Tonight: Where the party is.\*\*\*\*

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
Decide to make someone's demands your pleasure. Rather than bucking the issue, it might be better to court this person. Your instincts are right on with authority figures. Your efforts touch another, and are richly rewarded. Be optimistic. Tonight: In the limelight.\*\*\*\*

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
Take off for wide open spaces after you settle a problem. Someone's feedback is instrumental to getting the right answers. Enjoy a visit to the country; you'll become more centered and able to talk openly. Popularity soars. Flow with the moment. Tonight:

Something new.\*\*\*\*

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
You become the captive audience of a family member and only get more confused! Invite a partner along to a get-together. Relating becomes a lot easier in this setting. A nurturing attitude breeds more of the same in return. Tonight: Share your enthusiasm with a loved one.\*\*\*\*

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
You scurry around, rearranging your schedule, accommodating others. People appreciate your efforts. Let your imagination soar. Take off on a drive, or visit friends who live near water. You relax and tune in to your environment. Tonight: Let whims make your plans.\*\*\*\*

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
Others might be as confused about what is going on as you are. Trying to sort things out is time-consuming. Toss your hands in the air. Share a project or favorite pastime with someone dear. Working side by side enhances bonding. Tonight: Happy in your ivory castle.\*\*\*\*

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
Let go of rules, and stop trying to figure out everything. Tossing logic to the wind proves to be rewarding. Someone appreciates your laissez-faire attitude. Plan a leisurely lunch. You'll see a whole new side to a friend. Tonight: Let the kid in you come out.\*\*\*\*

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
Don't try to figure out where someone is coming from. You won't, at least not at the moment. A home project needs your attention. You opt to spend more money than you originally thought you needed to. But you like the results much more. Tonight: Order in.\*\*\*

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
Just be yourself, and don't get dragged into a family member's problem. Invite someone to join you in a favorite sport. Talking and laughter mark your relationship. Let go of anxiety, and just relax. A loved one shares his feelings. Tonight: Live in the moment.\*\*\*\*

**BORN TODAY**  
Singer Dion Di Mucci (1939), Sen. John Glenn (1921), journalist-author Hunter S. Thompson (1939)

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**Venal caregiver of elderly man took far more than she gave**

DEAR ABBY: Please remind your readers that elderly people who live alone can be vulnerable to "caregivers" who take over their lives — and bank accounts.

I attended the funeral of a neighbor I'll call "John" who was starved and neglected while his live-in "caregiver" took seven to 10 vacations a year. She was gone all day and many nights. She left him sandwiches and liquid nutritional supplements in place of meals, and phone numbers to call if he got sick.

Well, he did get sick, several times, but was too proud to call for help. During the last two months of his life, he was often confused. He died of congestive heart failure from a cold left untreated. The caregiver blamed his death on "fumes" from urine-soaked carpet because John's two elderly dogs weren't housebroken. The truth is, John was too sick to open the patio door, and the caregiver was never there to let the dogs out or clean the carpets.

John changed his will to make the caregiver the trustee and bought her a new car. She is allowed to live in his house until it is sold, and she is selling off the contents of the house. I know for a fact that John and his late wife wanted their sizable estate to go to their elderly brothers and sisters and the county humane society. Their estate is being plundered.

Regrettably, no one intervened on John's behalf. Too late, I learned that every state has an agency on aging and an ombudsman program that will investigate reports of neglect and mistreatment of the elderly.

Friends and neighbors of the elderly living alone must be proactive and contact family or the state if something "doesn't look right." — NEIGHBOR IN SARASOTA, FLA.

**DEAR NEIGHBOR:** Yours is a chilling letter. I hope it will spare similar heartbreak to other elderly who are living without benefit of family nearby.

Readers, if you suspect neglect or mistreatment of an elderly neighbor or friend, contact the adult protective services agency in your area. Anyone entrusted with the care of the aging should be carefully screened. The same agency should be able to assist you in locating properly trained and reliable caregivers.

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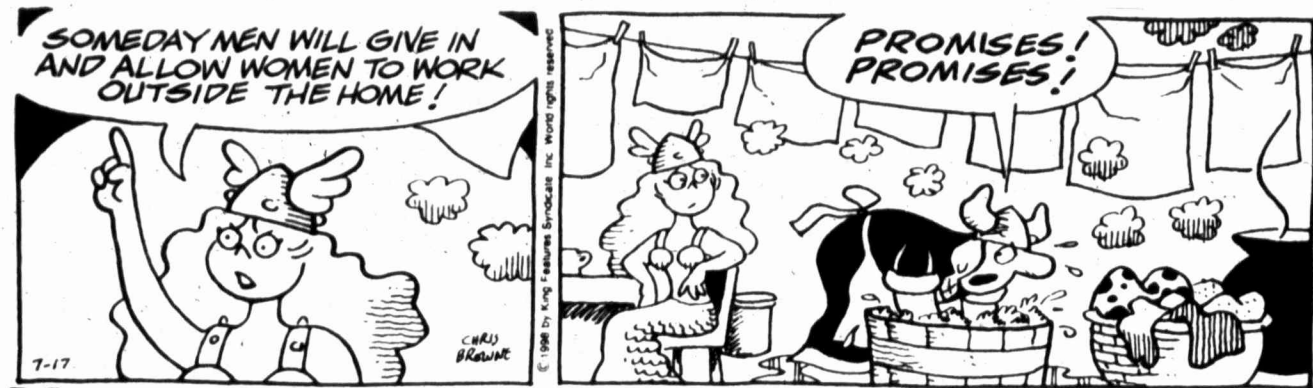
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JULY 17

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, July 17, the 198th day of 1998. There are 167

days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: One hundred years ago, on July 17, 1898, during the Spanish-American War, Spanish troops in Santiago, Cuba, surrendered to U.S. forces. Nine days later, Spain

sought peace terms. On this date: In 1821, Spain ceded Florida to the United States. In 1917, the British royal family adopted the name "Windsor." In 1938, aviator Douglas Corrigan took off from New York, saying he was headed for California; he ended up in Ireland, earning the nickname "Wrong Way Corrigan." In 1944, 322 people were killed when a pair of ammunition ships exploded in Port Chicago, Calif. In 1948, southern Democrats opposed to the nomination of President Truman met in Birmingham, Ala., to endorse South Carolina Gov. Strom Thurmond. In 1955, Disneyland debuted in Anaheim, Calif. In 1975, an Apollo spaceship docked with a Soyuz spacecraft in orbit in the first superpower link-up of its kind. In 1979, Nicaragua President Anastasio Somoza resigned and fled into exile in Miami.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for across and down words.

Word puzzle section titled 'Thursday's Puzzle Solved' with a grid and list of words.

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