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Technicality puts Settles clean-up on hold once again

A licensing technicality with the Texas Department of Health (TDH) has resulted in the cancellation of Friday's planned clean-up of the Settles lobby for the Friends of the Settles Haunted House.

"City officials checked with the Texas Department of Health one more time, just to make certain that everything was OK for Friday, and they were told that because Russell (Kennedy) didn't hold a certificate with the Texas Department of Health, he couldn't do the work," explained haunted house chairman John H. Walker.

"Russell is fully certified for hazardous materials disposal, but doesn't hold a TDH license. Because of that, he can't do the work.

"In fact, we can't even go into the building," he said. Walker said city officials were told someone licensed by TDH would have to perform the work or that it couldn't be done.

"Unless someone licensed by TDH wants to donate the work, or someone in the community wants to donate the \$9,000 it will cost, I would say the haunted house project is dead," Walker said.

"It's frustrating, because we've had so many people come forward to say they wanted to help... so many groups that wanted to participate in a project that everyone felt would be good for the community.

"We've faced adversity before. People laughed at Tommy Churchwell when he started the windows project and that money has been raised. We'll overcome this obstacle as well.

"This isn't a problem, it's only an unsolved opportunity," Walker said. Walker said a Friends of the Settles meeting has been scheduled for next week, when the group will make a decision as to what it will do.

WHAT'S UP...

- TODAY**
- Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library.
 - Texas Tech Ex-Students Association Big Spring Chapter, 6 p.m., Sparenberg Building, 309 S. Main.
 - Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Ron Long at 267-8715.
 - Democratic Club meeting, 7 p.m., District Court Room, third floor, Howard County Courthouse.
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Annual blessing of the animals takes place Friday at St. Mary's

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

St. Mary's Episcopal School yard will be a sea of pets Friday, as students gather for the traditional Blessing of the Animals, in honor of St. Francis of Assisi.

"This is an annual event St. Mary's has, and we have it around the birthday of St. Francis. He is a saint in Christianity, and since we are an Episcopal school we recognize those kind of things," said Carol Hanes, head of the school.

The Blessing begins at 8:45 Friday, and all 127 students will participate by bringing their pets or favorite stuffed animal from home to be blessed by St. Mary's Episcopal Church Rev. Jim Liggett.

The school participates in this traditional celebration for two reasons, Hanes said.

"The children give thanks to the animals God created, and also to all creatures in general that we have entrusted with their care," Hanes said.

This event calls our attention to all the gifts of God's creation, and in turn, to the needs and proper care of the creation. By remembering to thank God for our pets, children might also remember to thank God for all creation, she said.

Students will bring from home their pets, such as dogs and cats, as well as favorite teddy bears or other stuffed animals, if the students do not have pets. Liggett will bless every single animal, she said.

"The kids bring all kinds of stuff. We've had gold fish, wallabies, iguana,

birds, you name it, we've had it. Father Liggett puts his hand on every animal and it takes him some time. He doesn't care if the animal is real or stuffed. Every animal gets blessed and it is wonderful for the child. This means so much to them," Hanes said.

The tradition of animal blessings dates back to the time in European history when St. Francis blessed the animals of farmers. Assisi, founder of the Franciscan Order, was a great lover of animals.

A common prayer of St. Francis begins, "Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love, where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is



HERALD file photo
Callie Hutcherson waited to have her mouse "Splinter" blessed in 1996.

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HERALD photo/Linda Choate
Big Spring High School's production of Peter Pan will open Friday at 7 p.m. There will be a matinee at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Left to right, Peter is played by Lauren Fraser, Tinkerbell by Shruthi Mandyam, Capt. Hook by Jonathan Hull and Wendy by Amy Currie.

Electric bills are due as PUC no-termination order ends

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

Area residents who haven't already made payment arrangements with their utility providers may face possible cut-off today, as the Public Utility Commission's (PUC) no-termination emergency order ends.

"Anyone who has not already made arrangement with us, and isn't able to pay their bill in full at this time, should call us immediately to avoid disconnection," said Linda Weaver, customer support representative

for TU Electric's Big Spring office. "TU will work with customers, just as they do year round, to make payment arrangements that will suit everyone involved.

"We have deferred payment plans, credit extension programs, and energy-aid programs available from the Salvation Army and West Texas Opportunities for those in need of assistance."

As Texans battled the triple digit temperatures this summer, the PUC urged residents to let their air conditioning units run, regardless of whether or

not they could afford it.

"Bills were certainly higher this year," said Weaver. "We didn't want anyone to be without power, and when the PUC put their moratorium in place, TU Electric had already adopted that position."

Although the heat is still a force to be reckoned with, Weaver said many people may find themselves without vital utilities following today's deadline.

State regulators, along with electric providers and relief agencies, urge customers who have fallen behind on their bills

to contact their utility companies, and make arrangements to avoid service interruptions.

"Power services will be disconnected if they don't call us," said Weaver. "The arrangement process is very easy, and it doesn't take very long. We just want to do our part to help the customers, but they have to do their part as well."

According to TU Electric officials, less than 50 percent of all delinquent accounts have made payment arrangements, with more than 12,000 of their customers already 90 days late on their bills.

"We understand that the higher bills have put a hardship on everyone involved," said Weaver.

"We want to work with them to avoid disconnection, but we can't help them if they won't call in."

According to TU Electric officials, electric bills ran 15 to 35 percent higher than normal this summer, with bills averaging \$175 in the month of July.

State law requires that utility companies provide delinquent customers with a 10 day notice before disconnection of services.

'Peace Pilgrim' brings message to Big Spring, and onward

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

A Peace Pilgrim walked through Big Spring today, on his way to Sweetwater, and the remainder of his 5,000 mile, border-to-border and coast-to-coast journey for peace.

"The Peace Maker is the name God Has given me. This is all about God, and I am truly honored that He has chosen me. Names are, really just a handle.

"I am thankful I don't present the same negative attitude like I used to. Today I know everything that happens in our lives happens for a reason. I used to think that my life was all screwed up. I know now that what I went through is to know what I know now," said Earl Standberry.

Standberry, 33, is a former United States Marine, Gulf War veteran, police officer candidate, husband, drug addict and salesman. Originally from Pecos, today he is following in the footsteps of original Peace Pilgrim, Mildred Norman.

"I believe she called me to continue her journey. I walk until I'm given shelter and I fast until I'm given food. I never ask for anything, it must be given. I carry no money. I tell people it's all right, whatever faith we are, we all serve the same God, and you can call Him what you want to," Standberry said.

Norman traveled in excess of 40,000 in her walks around the United States. Standberry is on his first traverse across the country, starting in Pasadena, Calif. at the Rose Bowl Parade

Jan. 1. He intends to conclude this trip at the United Nations Building in New York.

He has three petitions he hopes to present to the president in Washington D.C. One calls for a Secretary of Peace for the U.S. government.

"We have a secretary of war and a war department, but no department of peace," he said.

This is the 45th anniversary of Norman's pilgrimage. She started in 1953, and concluded recording her journey in 1964. Standberry said he plans to conclude this walk, and then travel the 48 states, as she did.

Then in the 2003, he hopes to begin another 5,000 mile journey, to celebrate Norman's 50 year anniversary.

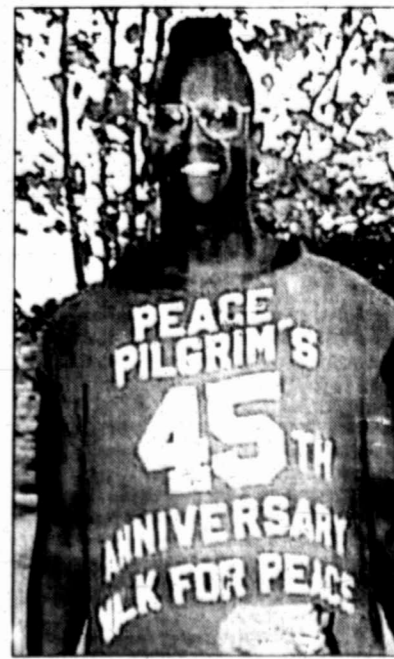
Standberry carries booklets of Norman's message in English

and Spanish, and passes these out to anyone who asks. He says he does not approach people, but waits until people notice him and begin conversations.

"I don't preach. We need more teachers instead of more preachers. We need to live the example and show it in our lives. Jesus was a teacher, he told stories. He was not a preacher," he said.

His message is one of non-judgmental peace and the boundless blessings of God's love. He does not judge anyone, walks the country without fear, and depends on God for all his needs.

"God talks to me, and He will talk to you. I hope people learn to feel good about themselves



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Cost of Clinton investigations exceeds \$40 mil

WASHINGTON (AP) — Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr and his predecessor have spent more than \$40 million on the investigation of President Clinton's Arkansas land deals that was expanded earlier this year to include a devastating probe of the Monica Lewinsky affair.

In a semiannual audit of independent counsel costs, the General Accounting Office said Wednesday that Starr spent \$3.9 million during the six months ended March 31, the latest-figures available.

That brings Starr's expenses to nearly \$33.5 million since he took over the Whitewater investigation in 1994. Add to that \$6 million spent by Robert Fiske, Starr's predecessor on

Whitewater, and the cost of investigating Clinton climbs to almost \$40 million — a number that will increase significantly when updated with the past six months' activity.

Starr has estimated that he spent at least \$4.4 million on the Lewinsky investigation alone over the past eight months. An exact figure won't be available until next spring.

The most expensive independent counsel probe to date was Lawrence Walsh's \$48.5 million, six-year investigation of the Reagan administration's Iran-Contra dealings.

Starr was originally hired to investigate Clinton's Arkansas land deals while he was governor of the state. In 1996 Starr's inquiry was expanded to

include the White House travel office firings and the controversy over the White House's gathering of some Republicans' FBI files.

In January the investigation was expanded again to include the president's affair with Ms. Lewinsky and an alleged cover-up. Starr turned over a report to Congress on that aspect of his investigation, alleging perjury and obstruction of justice, on Sept. 11.

Starr has said he is nearing completion of the Whitewater probe.

The biggest expense has been staff. In addition to 57 regular employees of the office of independent counsel, FBI and Internal Revenue Service agents are detailed to the investiga-

tion. The prosecutor also hires private investigators and other specialists to assist with the work.

During Starr's investigation, more than \$24 million has been spent on people-related costs, including \$9 million for salaries and benefits for employees of the independent counsel's office, \$13 million for FBI, IRS and Justice Department employees detailed to Starr, and \$2.4 million for hiring outside investigators and other specialists, according to GAO reports.

Travel expenses for Starr, his deputies and agents and witnesses totaled \$4.7 million since 1994, audits showed.

Meanwhile, five other independent counsels spent just over \$5 million.

Perot wants grassroots drive seeking Clinton's resignation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ross Perot is launching a nationwide petition drive asking President Clinton to resign because of the president's White House affair with former intern Monica Lewinsky.

The 1996 Reform Party candidate called Clinton's behavior "erratic" and said the country has been left with a leadership void because of his actions.

"This man can't be in that office," Perot said Wednesday evening on CNN's "Larry King Live" show.

Despite current polls showing high approval ratings for Clinton, Perot said he expects public sentiment eventually to turn against the president.

"I am totally convinced that the American people are going to wake up and understand that and I am going to do whatever I can, constructively, to say wake up America," Perot said.

The Dallas billionaire appealed to veterans, ministers, small business owners, community leaders and others to begin local petition drives asking Clinton to resign. Petitions could be collected by truck convoys, which would deliver them to Washington in early December. Displaying his website, e-mail address and post office box on the talk show, Perot asked viewers for feedback on his plan.

"We'll show them that we care about morals and ethics. We'll show them that we care about duty, honor and country. More than anything else we will show them that the man who sends our children into combat or the man who can press the nuclear button has got to be a stable person who tells the truth," Perot said.

GOP, Democrats differ on scope of Clinton inquiry

WASHINGTON (AP) — For all their talk about bipartisanship, House Republicans and Democrats have vastly different ideas about the scope of any impeachment inquiry into President Clinton's relationship with Monica Lewinsky.

A proposed GOP resolution outlined Wednesday would give House Judiciary Committee investigators broad, Watergate-style authority to subpoena witnesses and evidence without a committee vote if Chairman Henry Hyde, a Republican, and Rep. John Conyers, the panel's top Democrat, agreed.

It also would afford Clinton's lawyers the right to cross-exam-

ine witnesses, attend all meetings and object to evidence presented.

It would not, however, meet Democratic demands that the inquiry be limited to the allegations against Clinton in the Lewinsky matter, which include possible perjury, witness tampering and obstruction of justice.

Conyers and House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., planned to meet today to hear from four committee Democrats who have been exploring ideas for a more limited probe.

Among the suggestions being weighed, according to Democratic officials, were limit-

ing the inquiry to the Lewinsky affair, setting an expedited timetable for any further investigation or recommending a lesser penalty for Clinton, such as a censure and fine.

Another possible proposal was to delay a vote on impeachment until independent Counsel Kenneth Starr completed the remainder of his investigation and made those materials available, Democrats said.

Conyers, D-Mich., decried any open-ended inquiry as "preposterous."

A narrower alternative, he said, was favored by the public. In a closed-door meeting with House Democrats on Tuesday,

Gephardt said a recent poll in his own district showed that Americans overwhelmingly favored a quick resolution.

Republicans planned to hold a vote in the Judiciary Committee on the GOP resolution as early as Monday.

The panel also prepared to release more evidence to the public, possibly on Friday, that included partial transcripts of the Linda Tripp tape recordings that spurred the Lewinsky sex and cover-up investigation.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., called the upcoming vote about whether to launch a full impeachment inquiry "a vote of conscience."

Gatesville, Olney to participate in power competition program

GATESVILLE (AP) — Two Texas cities have opted to choose their own electricity supplier under a pilot program designed to ease the transition to a competitive marketplace early next century.

Gatesville, 35 miles west of Waco, and Olney, 90 miles west of Fort Worth, are participating in a plan designed by the Texas-New Mexico Power Company to begin offering a choice in power providers to customers.

The first step for both cities is to open bidding for other power suppliers. City officials expect to make their final choice by mid-December, with the winning bidder set to begin providing power next March 1.

"We've been working on this for close to a year," Gatesville city manager Bob Stevens told the Temple Daily Telegram. "We're very happy with Texas-New Mexico Power, but we are excited by the chance to get cheaper power and be more competitive."

The cities will effectively be choosing a power provider on behalf of residents. But residents in either community are not required to participate and may remain with Texas-New Mexico.

Officials say a bigger group of customers makes for a stronger bargaining unit.

"City governments can effectively represent large groups of customers in the selection of a supplier of electricity," said Jim Boyle, an Austin attorney who represents Gatesville.

The pilot program is part of a transition-to-competition approved by the Texas Public Utility Commission in July. The commission also ordered the power company to cut its rates by \$60 million over five years. At the end of that period, the company will move to direct competition.

"This pilot is an excellent opportunity, not just for us but for others in the state and country to learn how competition can work best for its customers," Texas-New Mexico executive Jack Chambers said in a statement.

A similar pilot program is under way in Alamogordo, N.M., already. In that program, about 500 residential and 60 small commercial customers are able to choose their own power provider. However, the choice is up to the individual rather than the city which can lessen bargaining power.

Government warns consumers of mass mail scams

WASHINGTON (AP) — Among the envelopes promising millions of dollars in prizes, a new convertible or a free vacation, consumers will soon find another piece of mail: a postcard warning of the mail scams that have lured Americans into forking over billions of dollars.

The Federal Trade Commission was announcing today a broad initiative to caution consumers of common mail scams and crack down on operations that con them out of money through the mail.

As part of the effort, the U.S. Postal Inspection Service plans to send every household in the nation postcards warning about mail fraud.

The latest campaign is meant to address a host of gimmicks

that bombard Americans' mailboxes each year. These include sweepstakes and prize promotions that require consumers to pay a fee or buy something to receive their rewards.

Other operations use government look-alike mail, playing off the names of federal agencies to give their promotions legitimacy. Some mailings advertise free vacation getaways and entice people to call telemarketers who then inform them of the catch: They must join a travel club for hundreds of dollars.

Such mail scams have cost consumers billions of dollars a year and often target elderly Americans.

Groups like the American Association of Retired Persons

cite stories of older consumers who spend thousands on sweepstakes, or fill rooms with unwanted magazine subscriptions, which they buy to better their chances of winning a prize.

In some cases, a family member's keen eye is the only thing that stops the deceptive practice.

"The fact that these folks have your name, that they personalize this stuff, it gives you a sense that they are reaching out to you, that you are special," said AARP spokesman Greg Marchiondo. He added that some people become repeat victims, when operations sell lists of "easy targets" to other companies.

To fight such scams, the FTC

plans to expand a database it developed last year to keep track of complaints related to mass mail fraud. Information from the database has led federal and state officials to take law enforcement action against more than 200 companies.

Some Better Business Bureau chapters will now report their complaints to be included in the database.

The groups that publish Yellow Pages plan to run ads tipping customers off to another common mail trick: phony bills. Some operations send bills to people, mimicking the business logos of popular, legitimate companies. Customers who don't look carefully at their statements may pay for services they never bought.

Administration prepares for possible action in Kosovo

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration, laying the groundwork for possible NATO military intervention in Kosovo, is briefing senators on Serb atrocities against ethnic Albanians and on international efforts to stop the slaughter.

"Clearly, the clock is ticking," State Department spokesman James Foley said Wednesday after Secretary of State Madeleine Albright endorsed a British call for a special U.N. Security Council meeting today to deal with repression in Kosovo.

Albright, Defense Secretary William Cohen and Sandy Berger, the president's national security adviser, were scheduled to give senators a closed-door briefing late today in a secure room at the Capitol.

NATO has completed plans for possible airstrikes to halt Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic's troops, who have since February been fighting a guerrilla movement seeking independence for the Serbian province. The pressure to act increased this week upon discovery of fresh massacres by Serbian security forces of 18 ethnic Albanians, including women and children.

"This was not an act of war. It was plain cold murder," British Foreign Secretary Robin Cook said from Blackpool, England, as he called for a special Security Council meeting.

U.S. officials also were talking tough, noting that Milosevic has ignored a U.N. resolution approved by the Security

Council a week ago calling for a cease-fire and for withdrawal of Serbian troops and threatening the use of force if fighting continues.

Foley conceded that Serbs have withdrawn some military units from Kosovo but said other units have rotated into the province.

"We certainly have no evidence of a net drawdown of forces," Foley said, adding, "The actual decision to use force, though, may not be far away if indeed the situation doesn't change rapidly."

On Capitol Hill, lawmakers have expressed frustration that action hasn't already been taken against Milosevic, who also is accused of atrocities during the 1992-95 war in Bosnia.

Further, GOP leaders contend that President Clinton's credibility overseas has been undermined due to the Monica

Lewinsky affair, and that enemies will continue to test the United States.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., is among congressional leaders who have called

for a firmer U.S. stance in Kosovo.

"He's expressed his concerns about what's going on in Kosovo," said spokeswoman Susan Irby.

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◆A Siberian husky, also known as an Eskimo dog, can sleep outdoors in snowdrifts even in the coldest weather.

◆Soapstone, also known as steatite, feels soapy, but don't try to wash with it! It's a soft rock made up mostly of mineral talc.

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

Breast Cancer Awareness Month begins

Scenic Mountain Medical Center to offer low-cost mammograms

HERALD Staff Report

In recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Malone & Hogan Clinic is offering \$48 mammograms for the entire month of October. Breast Cancer Awareness Month is a nationally recognized health observance which began in 1985 in order to raise breast cancer awareness. To make an appointment for a mammogram call 267-6361.

Breast cancer impacts the lives of one in every nine women in this country, making it a leading cause of death among women. Jence Cantu, Radiology Coordinator for St. Mary Physician Practice Services, says that getting a mammogram is one of the easiest and most important things a woman can do.

"The current guidelines of the American Cancer Society recommend that women have a baseline mammogram at 35, women between the ages of 40-49 have a mammogram performed annually or every other year, and women over 50 should have a mammogram on an annual basis. The few minutes you spend getting a mammogram once a year is nothing compared to the peace of mind you will receive from having regular mammograms that can detect cancer in its earliest and most treatable stages," explains Cantu.

Malone & Hogan Clinic is a part of a primary care network in 22 communities that St. Mary Hospital in Lubbock is developing throughout West Texas and Eastern New



Tracy Moore, Registered Mammography Technologist at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, is shown here with the new mammography unit. This piece of equipment can detect extremely small breast cancers.

Mexico. The Clinic is part of a system that provides comprehensive and preventative care at the local level. Malone & Hogan Clinic and St. Mary Hospital are members of the

Covenant Health System. Call Malone & Hogan Clinic at 267-6361 to set up an appointment to have a mammogram.

Sex-ed classes

Should they be segregated?

QUESTION: Our local school board is currently trying to decide whether or not boys and girls should be segregated for courses on sexuality and "family life." What are your feelings with regard to coed sex education programs?

DR. DOBSON: I have severe reservations about highly explicit discussions occurring with both sexes present. To do so breaks down the natural barriers that help to preserve virginity and makes casual sexual experimentation much more likely to occur. It also strips kids -- especially girls -- of their modesty to have every detail of anatomy, physiology, intercourse and condom usage made explicit in coed situations. Those who have thereby become familiar and conversant about the most intimate subjects may later find themselves watching explicit sexual scenes in movies, rock videos and hot television programs. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to recognize the combined impact of these influences. Whereas it was a weighty decision to give up one's virginity in decades past, it is but a small step for those whose conditioning began in the school classroom. Familiarity "breeds," as we all know. I am also convinced that the incidence of date rape rises when the barriers that help a girl protect herself are removed.

In some cases, no doubt, school officials have pushed for mixed sex-ed classes out of a sense of obligation. Somehow, they feel this is what's expected

of them -- that parents and the community at large want it. Let them know if you disagree! Tell your school board members about the educational advantages of segregated classes. They may see your point if you present it to them from that angle.

QUESTION: I am 19 years old and I have struggled with a bad self-concept all my life. It seems that everyone I know has more to offer than I do. I envy the girls who are better looking than I am, more athletic or smarter. I just don't measure up to my own expectations. How can I deal with my own insecurities?

DR. DOBSON: Someone said, "Comparison is the root of all inferiority." It is true. When you look at another person's strengths and compare them to your own weaknesses, there is no way to come out feeling good about yourself. That is what you are doing when you pit yourself against the "best and brightest" around you.

This destructive game begins in elementary school when we begin to evaluate ourselves critically. Even at that young age, our self-image is shaped by how we stack up against our peers. It's not how tall we are that matters -- it's who is

tallest. It's not how fast we can run -- it's who runs fastest. It's not how smart we are -- it's who is smartest. It's not how pretty or handsome we are -- it's who is most gorgeous.

Thus begins a pattern of self-doubt that often becomes all-consuming during adolescence. For some people it continues well into adult life. This is why millions of women buy fashion magazines and then envy the beauty of the models. It's why we watch Miss America contests and why some men read about successful and powerful businessmen. When we do that, we're weighing ourselves against the most admired assets of others. It is an exercise that brings us nothing but pain, and yet we continue to engage in it.

It appears that you are caught up in this destructive pattern. Perhaps a wise counselor or pastor can help you see that you are a worthy human being exactly the way you are and that you have been designed for a specific purpose. Mental and spiritual health begin with an acceptance of life as it is and a willingness to make the most of what has been given. When that is achieved, comparison with others is no longer an important issue.

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



DR. JAMES DOBSON

St. Lawrence Fall Festival

fun for all ages

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

It's been 50 years now since a small Army barracks was moved from San Angelo to become the first church at what we now know to be the community St. Lawrence, located 15 miles southwest of Garden City.

And for most of those 50 years, folks there have celebrated the harvest season with the St. Lawrence Fall Festival.

Once again, for the 41st time, as many as 2,500 persons are expected to converge on the German community this Sunday to enjoy German sausage, a barbecue dinner, games, raffles, a dance under the pecan trees surrounding the Catholic church.

Activities will get under way with mass at 9:30 at the church, followed by a variety of activities beginning at 10:30 and continuing until 4 p.m.

Among those activities are bingo, a country store and booths and games for children and youth.

Following the completion of those activities, German sausage sandwiches will be available from 5-6:30 p.m. followed by a dance featuring the music of Shiloh from 7-11 p.m.

For those persons interested only in the sausage, parish members will start selling it uncooked for \$3.50 per pound at 10 Sunday morning.

Over the years, Parish members have sold as many as 10,000 pounds of the famous sausage as people from all over



Some of the sausage available at the Festival prepared by many Parish members.

Activities begin with a mass at 9:30 a.m. Sunday at the St. Lawrence Catholic Church and continue until 4 p.m. with a variety of activities available.

West Texas trek to St. Lawrence.

Traditionally, members of the parish council gather in the church kitchen the day before to start preparing the sausage.

In a 1994 Herald interview, then-parish council president David Weishuhn said the group starts making the sausage the day before at 6 a.m., deboning

the meat first, then cutting, grinding and mixing it before smoking it.

Weishuhn said the meat was 60 percent pork and 40 percent beef.

The festival is the main fundraiser for the church, with the money being used for operational expenses.

The cost of the meal is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children under 12 years of age. Plates to go will be served at the noon meal only and no meal tickets will be sold after 2 p.m.

Dance tickets are \$5 each and admission is restricted to persons 12 and older.

To attend the festival, go 10 miles south of Garden City on Highway 33, then turn west for five miles on FM 2401.

Alcohol, tobacco, drug-free dormitory

AUSTIN (AP) — Students entering the University of Texas this fall have a housing option that is alcohol, tobacco- and drug-free.

The 10th floor of the Jester East dormitory has been declared a substance-free floor, where students agree to live healthfully, without alcohol or tobacco.

The Wellness floor was inspired by students and other residents who pointed out that not everyone comes to college to get falling-down drunk, said Daniel Ostick, residence coordinator.

The program, which stresses mental and physical health, is modeled loosely on programs at other schools.

Freshman Cecilia Gonzales said that she likes not having to live with the rowdiness that permeates other floors. She said she has made some good friends who share her values of not drinking and concentrating on studies.

Students who choose to live on the Wellness floor must sign a form agreeing not to smoke or drink, even if they are of legal age.

They also acknowledge that breaking the rules could lead to disciplinary action. The university's standard policies toward illegal substance use also apply.

Ruston Taylor, a junior and the floor's resident assistant, said he also tries to help students. See UT, Page 6A

Southwest School of Arts & Craft continues to transform itself

SAN ANTONIO (AP)— Almost 150 years after French nuns of the Ursuline Order began to transform a rugged frontier town with the first permanent school in San Antonio, the Southwest School of Art & Craft continues to transform itself, bolstering its growing national reputation with the addition of the Navarro Campus.

No longer the domain of "litle old ladies in tennis shoes," the former Southwest Craft Center is one of only a handful of professional-level, non-degree-granting art and craft schools in the nation.

The school's \$2 million state-of-the-art addition is located in the old Sears Automotive Center, catcorner to the quaintly charming campus of the 1851 Ursuline Convent and Academy at Augusta and Navarro streets. With a courtyard and large windows, the Navarro Campus offers spectacular views of the neighboring San Antonio Central Library.

The clean, minimalist look has left the steel beams in the ceiling exposed and the concrete floor bare, but the design by Lance, Larcade & Bechtel Architects Inc. is highly functional and lightly industrial.

Freed from the worry of harming the historic 19th-century "pise de terre," or rammed earth, Ursuline buildings preserved by the San Antonio Conservation Society, students at the Navarro Campus will be able to pursue

a wider variety of arts and crafts, including drawing, painting and sculpture as well as metalwork, photography and printmaking.

Along with the locals who have filled its classes since 1965, increasing numbers of professional artists and craftspeople from around the country are attracted to the school's high-quality programs.

Director Paula Owen has seen the school's enrollment grow by 50 percent from 1995 to 1997 -- to about 1,900 adults and 1,500 children and teenagers annually. The new building will double the school's enrollment capacity.

"We live in an increasingly desensitized and dehumanized world. The Southwest School of Art & Craft is purposefully addressing this new reality by teaching people how to articulate and share the human experience through the visual arts," Owen said. "Alvin Toffler defined 'future shock' as the 'dizzying orientation when the future prematurely arrives.' This new building will enable us to meet the future. We chose the theme of 'transformation' to symbolize this future."

"Transformation," featuring the work of 24 San Antonio artists, is the inaugural exhibit in the Russell Hill Rogers Gallery. A grand opening ceremony was held this past week.

"I'm impressed by how many outstanding artists there are in

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Slice of life!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Two Howard County 4-H Adult Leaders were recognized recently at the District VI 4-H Banquet in Fort Stockton. Mike and Sheree Moates were recognized as Outstanding Adult Leaders for the Howard County 4-H program. Mike and Sheree have served as 4-H Leaders for 12 years each. Both Mike and Sheree have been active in various functions including leadership activities, project leaders and fund raising activities. We congratulate them on their recent award.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THERE WILL BE A Democratic Club meeting 7 p.m. tonight in the District Courtroom at the Howard County Courthouse third floor. The meeting is open to the public.

THERE WILL BE A dance from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Howard County Fair Barn on Saturday. The cost is \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Call 263-7741 to reserve tickets and tables. The dance is sponsored by the Big Spring Chicano Golf Association.

THE LAST WORD

As I was going up the stair I met a man who wasn't there. He wasn't there again today. I wish, I wish, he'd stay away.
Hughes Means

It is dangerous to let the public behind the scenes. They are easily disillusioned and then they are angry with you, for it was the illusion they loved.
W. Somerset Maugham

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SCHOOL NEWS

Big Spring High School
Next week is Homecoming Spirit Week at BSHS. WE invite the community of Big Spring to participate in all the planned events for each day.

Our school theme this year is L.E.A.D.E.R.S. - which means "Letting Everyone Achieve Dreams Equals Responsible Students."

The spirit days and activities are listed below.

Monday: Hawaiian Day - wear Hawaiian clothes (no bikinis, etc.!) "Knock the Panthers to Hawaii!"

Tuesday: Camouflage Day - wear camouflage clothing and/or paint faces. "Steers will make the Panthers disappear"

Wednesday: Hats and Shades Day - wear hats/shades. Steers will shade out the Panthers"

Thursday: Class L.E.A.D.E.R.S. Day - dress up nice. "BSHS leaders have 'class'."

Friday: Black & Gold Day - wear black and gold. "Steers will turn the Panthers black and gold."

Activities: Tuesday: Homecoming Queen finalist election

Wednesday: Student Council meeting 8 p.m.

Thursday: Community Pep Rally and bonfire, Big Spring Compost Site - Airpark

Friday: Homecoming Queen election, Homecoming Parade 4 p.m. and Steers vs. Fort Stockton at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday: Hall of Fame induction 2 p.m. and Homecoming dance 9 p.m. to midnight.

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San Antonio, but it troubles me that so many people don't know about them," Owen said. "I have been making a lot of studio visits. Each of the featured artists were asked to show a new piece or series which exemplifies the abstract concept of transformation."

"A gallery experience these days is not only visual and cognitive, but can evoke a full range of sensory responses. Many of these works inspire a reawakening to the deep and complex interrelationships between the mind and senses, and many of them exhibit a crossover aesthetic in which two or more art forms or media merge."

The artists are Ann Adams, Jesse Amado, Danville Chadbourne, Miguel Cortinas, Jane Dunnewold, Pat Gavin, Deborah Groover, Robert Hils, Claire Holliday, Leticia Huerta, Deborah Maverick Kelley, Marilyn Lanfeard, Ken Little, Michael Nye and Naomi Shihab Nye, Alejandro Sifuentes, Trish Simonite, Dennis Smith, Henry Stein, Tim Summa, Margarita Urquiza, Anita Valencia, Kathy Vargas and Beck Whitehead.

"Transformation" will be on view through Dec. 30. The new

gallery, about four times the size of the old Emily Edwards Gallery, will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays. Admission is free.

On entering the main entrance on Navarro Street, visitors encounter a spacious central hallway featuring a dramatic red metal stairway. Sunlight filters in from skylights and windows for an atrium effect. A reception desk is located to the right of the front doors, while the Rogers Gallery is accessible to the left through wood-and-glass doors salvaged from Trinity University's Laurie Auditorium.

Beyond the gallery is a long, narrow lecture hall connected to a catering kitchen. The gallery can be subdivided into smaller art exhibit spaces and classrooms. With flexible seating for meals or classes, the lecture hall is equipped with audio-visual equipment for slide and video shows. Both the gallery and lecture hall open onto the outdoor courtyard, which will feature tables, plants and a "donor's wall."

Andres Andujar, a board member who heads the school's facility committee, said, "The new building has given us a clean palette. We never really had the infrastructure for the more industrial-oriented crafts in the Ursuline Campus. The

buildings are fragile and had to be protected. We wanted the new building to be visionary, to be designed to accommodate the crafts of the 21st century."

Most of the first floor is taken up by a metalworking studio and photography darkrooms, classrooms and lighting studios. The metal studio has power tools in a machine room and a chemical room along with a room just for casting — not to mention a spacious studio area that can accommodate several students. While the school's metal program has mostly focused on jewelry-making in the past, now it can be expanded to incorporate much larger metal projects, from decorative ironwork to large-scale abstract sculpture.

The photography department probably is undergoing the most dramatic transformation. With five darkrooms of varying sizes plus flexible studios for photography shoots and a large, central classroom, the new studios will be large enough to accommodate more than one class at the same time. The school also hopes to add more computer equipment as photography enters the digital age.

Owen noted, "Reflecting the interdisciplinary nature of contemporary art, we tried to design the studios so that the artists could flow back and forth into related areas — so there could be much more crossover. For example, on the

second floor, paper-making is connected to book arts, which leads to print-making and design. Multimedia is more popular than ever. The second floor will be home to what we're calling our InterMedia Department."

The paper-making studio has a tilted floor with drains to accommodate the wet work of mixing pulp, which usually requires lots of water. The book-making studio will be equipped to handle a variety of binding methods.

The school has never been able to offer a full-fledged print-making program before. Owen said she is negotiating with the McNay Art Museum to acquire most of the presses and other print-making equipment that once belonged to the San Antonio Art Institute.

"The design department is an example of the way I've tried to broaden our curriculum," Owen said. "Design can include furniture and product design as well as the textiles usually associated with surface design. The new building gives us the opportunity to branch out more."

"For many years in the fine arts, technique hasn't mattered. The art schools put all the emphasis on content and self-expression," Owen said.

"But now a lot of these artists are taking our classes because they want to learn the technique."

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dents on the floor understand the value of exercise, knowledge of other cultures and being healthy in all aspects of life. "It's a whole-person kind of thing," Taylor said.

About 92 students, mostly freshmen, live on the floor. About 11 rooms on the floor house students who have not signed the Wellness floor agreement.

The program, which does not cost extra, is a way to give students, especially freshmen, some ground rules, said James Vick, UT vice president for student affairs.

Vick said the university plans to keep the program on the 10th floor of Jester East next year, although a growing interest among students could eventually prompt an expansion.

Some students riding Jester's many elevators had never heard of the Wellness floor, while others had only a vague notion. Erich Gross, an aerospace engineering freshman, said he knows one Wellness floor resident, but said it's not the lifestyle for him. "I think it's extreme," he said.

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HEMET, Calif. (AP) — Clara Sandberg had two things to celebrate recently — her 93rd birthday and her engagement to a much younger man.

On Sept. 13, Sandberg gathered with 125 friends for an afternoon of dancing to observe her birthday and to announce her engagement to 84-year-old Roy Thomas.

"I never dreamed at 93 that I would be picking out a ring," she said Tuesday at her home 40 miles east of Los Angeles.

Sandberg, a divorcee, has been dancing all her life and said that is the reason she has lived so long.

"Dancing has been the joy of my life. It has kept me young."

But dancing is not Sandberg's only hobby. She plays golf and is learning how to play shuffleboard.

Sandberg and Thomas, a widower, met at a ballroom dance. They have not set a date but plan to marry before she turns 94.

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IN BRIEF

CGA schedules second Snyder Nunez tourney

The Chicano Golf Association of Big Spring will hold its second annual Natividad "Snyder" Nunez Grand Champion Golf Tournament on Saturday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

The tournament is open to the public, with entry fees set at \$25 for non-members.

Tea times will be between 10 a.m. and noon. A dance, with music provided by Ruben Ramos, will follow the tournament at the Howard County Fair Barn.

For more information, call CGA officials at 263-7741.

Wildcats big Under 6 win tops youth soccer action

Luke Lewis scored five goals, while Blake Brorman and Connor Keeton added three each as the Wildcats took a 12-0 win over the Bears in Under 6 division Big Spring Youth Soccer Association action.

Calvin Gibbs added the other goal in the lopsided win.

In another Under 6 contest, Ramon Magallane's two goals and Ryan Wards single tally were not enough to keep the Toros from suffering a 5-3 loss at the hands of the Panthers.

In Under 8 division play, the Wildcats took a 3-2 win over the Wolverines and the Cheetahs were 3-2 winners over the Texans.

Jay McCurtain scored twice and Georden Fuller added one goal in leading the Wildcats to the win over the Wolverines. Dominique Green turned in the top defensive performance for the Wildcats.

Justin Villarreal led the way in the Cheetahs' win, scoring two goals, while Zackery Gilliam added another.

The Texans were led offensively by Tyler Chesworth and Justin Puente, each finishing with one goal.

And in Under 10 division action, the Chargers took a 7-1 win over the Raptors before taking a 4-0 win over the Stars. The Raptors rebounded for a 2-2 tie with the Texans and the Jets took a 3-1 win over the Hot Shots.

Heather York sparked the Chargers' 7-1 win over the Raptors with a three-goal performance, while Lance Tissue, Lance Gross, Brandon Ontiveros and Taylor Parks added single goals.

Gross and Tissue also turned in strong defensive showings, while goaltenders Taylor Parks and Caleb Choate fared well in net.

Brandon Stowers, Choate and Parks provided the scoring in the 4-0 win over the Stars, while Chris Freeman, Ryan Harris, Tissue, Morgan McKinney and Tanner Churchwell provided strong defense.

Justin Foley and Jeremy Rainey scored goals in the Texans' tie with the Raptors.

And in the Jets' win over the Hot Shots, Cameron Parker, Jake White and Zack Dawson combined for more scoring than the Hot Shots' goalkeeper Matt Lozano could handle.

Fire Fighters Association schedules golf tourney

The Big Spring Professional Fire Fighters Association will hold its annual golf tournament to benefit the Disaster Relief Fund on Friday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

The four-person scramble will begin at 8:30 a.m. with prizes awarded to the first, second and third-place teams.

Entry fees are \$25 per player plus cart fee.

For more information, call Paul Brown or Mitch Gill at 267-3362.

ON THE AIR

TODAY: BASEBALL

7 p.m. — National League Division Series, Game 2, Chicago Cubs at Atlanta Braves, FOX, Ch. 3.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

7 p.m. — Syracuse Orangemen at North Carolina Tar Heels, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Rangers backed to wall as Yankees take 3-1 win

NEW YORK (AP) — By today, the whole baseball world will know the tale of Shane Spencer.

Spent eight full seasons in the minors. Bounced between Triple-A and the majors this year. Put up big September numbers.

Spencer capped an amazing month in which he went from a virtual unknown to New York's newest hero, homering in his first postseason at-bat as the Yankees beat Texas 3-1 Wednesday night for a 2-0 lead in their AL division series.

"He doesn't get cheated up there," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "He knows what that piece of wood is made for, and it's not to clean off his

shoes." The 26-year-old rookie also singled ahead of Scott Brosius' homer, and that was plenty of support for Andy Pettitte. Texas, the top-hitting team in the league this season, has managed just 10 hits and one run in the series so far — Spencer has outscored the Rangers all by himself.

"It won't be storybook until it's all over," Spencer said. "We've still got eight or nine more wins to go.

"I'm just riding it now, cherishing the moment. Maybe someday I'll look back on it," he said.

The Yankees will try to sweep the best-of-5 playoff on Friday night in Texas. David Cone (20-7) starts for New York

against Aaron Sele (19-11). Playing in baseball's most storied ballpark, Spencer added his own chapter. Then again, he certainly had enough time to look forward to this day.

Drafted in the 28th round in 1990, the outfielder did not even hit a home run in his first two years in the minors, totaling 360 at-bats. He made it to the majors this year, though he made three round trips between Triple-A Columbus and New York.

Promoted for a fourth time on Aug. 31, he hit .421 with eight home runs in September and three grand slams in 10 days — joining Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and Joe DiMaggio among the seven play-

ers in team history to hit three slams in an entire year.

Spencer, who hit 119 homers in the minors, earned AL player of the week honors for hitting six homers in the last week. Overall, he hit .373 with 10 home runs and 27 RBIs in helping the Yankees finish with a league-record 114 victories.

"I can't say it suddenly came," he said. "I've been hitting them in the minor leagues. I've worked on it seven or eight years. It's just a lot of practice." Spencer happened to notice his name on the lineup card before the game, and got his chance to start in left field partly because of an ominous medical report on Darryl Strawberry.



Forsan running back Justin White (40) goes down in the grasp of a Roscoe defender during the Buffs' win over the Plowboys two weeks ago. White and offensive backfield mates Cory Walker, Brian Mims and Derek Wash have combined with a good offensive line to give the Buffs a 4-0 record, their best start in more than 10 years.

Buffaloes' White, Coyotes' McCook top area honor roll

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

Quarterback Colt McCook, coming off a four-touchdown performance the week before, hit 9-of-18 passes for 178 yards and five touchdowns in Borden County's 57-24 win over Balmorhea as the No. 1-ranked Coyotes improved to 4-0 in six-man football action.

McCook, a second-team all-state selection during the Coyotes state championship run in 1997, seems to be making a strong bid to move up to the first unit once the current season comes to a close.

While McCook's five-touchdown showing was clearly the top offensive exploit of the week in Crossroads Country, earning him the Herald's player of the week accolades, Forsan's Justin White had an all-around performance in the Buffs' 22-12 win over Rankin.

White grabs this week's defensive player of the week honor after having chalked up 11 tackles, eight of them solos, while sacking the Red Devils' quarterback three times.

In addition, White also blocked an extra point from his defensive end's position. On the other side of the ball, he chalked up 95 yards and a touchdown on 12 carries, leading a foursome of Buffs runners that piled up 299 yards.

McCook's passing ability is often under-utilized by the Coyotes, simply because coach Bobby Avery has an embarrassment of weapons at his disposal.

"Sometimes I do get in a rut running the football," Avery noted earlier this year. "But we really try to be as balanced as possible, because people do start loading up for our backs. We've got great running backs, but when we let Colt go and let him do his thing, it opens



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everything back up." One of McCook's offensive teammates, junior Ed Rodriguez, was among those earning honorable mention after having rushed eight times for 122 yards and a pair of touchdowns in the win over Balmorhea.

Stanton junior running back Adrian Hernandez had his best performance of the season, piling up 137 yards and scoring two touchdowns in the Buffs' 20th straight win, a 63-0 blanking of Reagan County's Owls.

Teammate Jeremy Hill had 126 yards and two scores on just eight carries, while Buffs' quarterback Kyle Herm added a pair of touchdowns runs, as well.

Paced by White's 95 yards, Forsan finished the night with more than 300 yards in total offense. The remainder of the Buffs' running back committee also fared well, as Brian Mims had 75, Cory Walker had 67 and Derek Wash added 62.

Wash also drew defensive mention, as well, coming up with a couple of interceptions.

Grady's Greg Gibson recorded 16 solo tackles and five assists for the Wildcat defense in a 27-14 loss to Whitharal's Panthers, drawing praise from coach Roger Smith.

In addition, Gibson was responsible for one of the Wildcats' two touchdowns, after gathering in a pass from quarterback Clint Schuelke and turning it into a 57-yard pass-and-run combination.

Former Kansas City relief ace Dan Quisenberry dead at 45

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Dan Quisenberry's dry, subtle wit charmed fans. His funky submarine delivery baffled batters.

From the time he first came up with Kansas City in 1979 through the Royals' World Series season of 1985, no other relief pitcher in the major leagues got more saves than Quisenberry, or more laughs.

He worked tirelessly for civic and charitable events.

He kept a humble spirit. All through the glory years of American League pennants and World Series triumphs, he remained the skinny kid who

wasn't good enough to be drafted, but yearned for a chance to pitch in the major leagues.

Quisenberry had known he had brain cancer since going to the doctor in December with terrible, persistent headaches.

After nine months of pain, as dawn was breaking over Kansas City on Wednesday, he died in his home at the age of 45. He is survived by wife, Janie, and teen-aged children Alysia and David.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Pale and skinny, Quisenberry had an awkward-looking, submarine delivery.

Indians take 9-5 win to even division series with Red Sox

CLEVELAND (AP) — There were plenty of stars in Cleveland's Game 2 win over the Boston Red Sox. Dave Burba, David Justice, Kenny Lofton and Sandy Alomar all had big days.

However, the biggest contributor for the Indians might have been an unlikely one — plate umpire Joe Brinkman.

Brinkman threw Indians manager Mike Hargrove and starting pitcher Dwight Gooden out of the game in the top of the first inning on Wednesday. Fired up by the ejections, the Indians responded with a 9-5 win over the Red Sox to tie the best-of-5 series at 1-1.

Burba, rushed into service when Gooden was tossed after 22 pitches, made it into the sixth inning, and Justice

homered and drove in four runs for the Indians.

"It's almost like you're backed into a corner," said Justice, who hit a three-run homer off Tim Wakefield in Cleveland's five-run second. "I don't want to say the umpires are against us, but you look across the field and see the Red Sox want to beat you, and then something happens — you feel like, man, everyone is against us.

"I think that makes the players dig down inside, come together. Now it's time to come out and fight."

The Indians needed something to get them going. They played lethargically and stumbled through most of September after clinching their fourth

straight AL Central title. Tuesday's 11-3 loss in Game 1 made it obvious they needed a quick fix, or it might be three and out.

In a strange way, Brinkman's banishment of Hargrove and Gooden to the Indians' clubhouse might have been just what the Indians were looking for.

"Yesterday, we were the worst team in baseball," Alomar said. "Today, we're even."

The series continues Friday at Fenway Park, with Cleveland's Charles Nagy facing Bret Saberhagen. Game 4 is Saturday, and the teams would return to Jacobs Field for Game 5, if necessary.

"It's best-of-3 now," Boston manager Jimmy Williams said.

Game 2 will be best remembered for the bizarre, 39-minute first that included just about everything — ejections, passed balls, stolen bases, etc.

"It was a weird, weird game," Jim Thome said.

Gooden was in trouble with Brinkman after just his third pitch. He disagreed with the umpire on a 2-0 pitch to leadoff hitter Darren Lewis, yelling when Brinkman called ball three.

The umpire started out from behind the plate as Gooden motioned to him that things were OK and he would continue. Hargrove came out to calm his pitcher, but on his way back to the bench, he argued with Brinkman and was quickly tossed.

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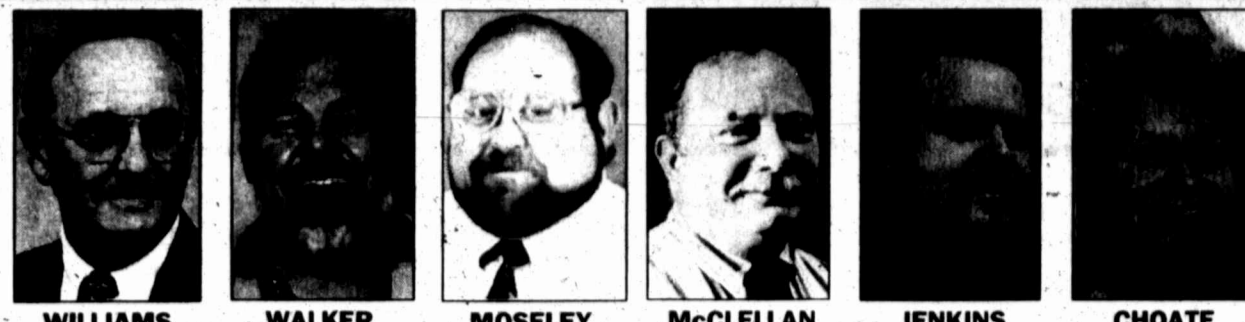


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SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL: SEATTLE MARINERS—Assigned RHP Steve Gajkowski...

NFL STANDINGS

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PRCA LEADERS

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MLB PLAYOFFS

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MLS PLAYOFFS

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FORNSAN

Continued from page 1B. arm. "They can really pound on you with the fullback and half-back dives, then take it wide on the option," Park explained.

LOCAL BOWLING RESULTS

PINPOPPERS WEEK 5 RESULTS: Dixie Chicks over Guys Restaurant 6-2, VFW over Health Food Store 6-2...

WEDNESDAY STRIKERS

WEEK 3 RESULTS: Allan's Furniture over Team 4 6-2, Team 8 over Team 9 8-0...

WEDNESDAY STRIKERS

WEEK 4 RESULTS: The Pimps over Team 9 6-2, Allan's Furniture over Team 3 8-0...

LADIES MAJOR

WEEK 3 RESULTS: Wynns's Winners 4-2, K.C. Kids 2-6, Day & Day Builders 4-4...

WEDNESDAY STRIKERS

WEEK 4 RESULTS: The Pimps over Team 9 6-2, Allan's Furniture over Team 3 8-0...

TUESDAY COUPLES

RESULTS: White Motor co. Stanton over Double R Cattle Co. 8-0, Parks Agency, Inc. over Hardison Appliance 8-0...

GUYS & DOLLS

RESULTS: Head Hunters Beauty Salon over Hester's Mechanical 8-0, Flo's Yellow Rose over BSI 8-0...

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POWER POINTS FOOTBALL CONTEST WINNER WEEK NUMBER 4 Leo Ritchie Troup ★ 136 Local High Score Rose Ann Boklema Big Spring ★ 131 Points

Justin Chuka Boot Available in Men & Women Sizes Color: Cooper & Rustic \$79.95 WOOD'S SHOES

FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Sept. 30. (Report also available on Web as www.tfw.state.tx.us)

CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water clear; 82 degrees; Black bass are fair to good on chrome Chug Bugs fished early and late. Crappie are slow to fair on minnows and white jigs fished at night under lights. Hybrid strippers are good on 1oz. spoons and jigs fished in 25 to 45 feet of water. Catfish are good on cut bait and live perch fished in the river.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 83 degrees; 7' low; Black bass to 4.5 pounds are fair on Bass Assassins, Pop R's and lizards fished early in the upper lake and off the points. Crappie are slow on minnows fished at night. White bass are slow and scattered. Striped bass are good trolling with 1.5oz. jigs in 30 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are fair on trotlines baited with chicken livers. Yellow catfish are slow on live perch.

PROCTOR: Water clear; 85 degrees; Black bass are good on Chug Bugs and chautreaux spinnerbaits fished around the dam. Also try sand crabs fished off the north bank. Crappie are good on live minnows fished in 16 feet of water by the dam. Hybrid strippers are good on live shad fished early off the east end of the dam and around the center island. Yellow catfish to 40 pounds are good on trotlines baited with live perch and goldfish set in the river.

SOUTH
AMSTAD: Water fairly clear; 85 degrees; 42.5' low; Black bass are fair to good on spinnerbaits, topwaters and Carolina-rigged worms fished around the hydrilla in 15 to 20 feet of water. Crappie are fair to good on minnows fished in Devil's River. White bass are fair on topwaters and crankbaits fished by the dam. Striped bass are fair on Pencil Poppers and Red Fins fished near the dam. Channel and blue catfish to 7 pounds are good on cheese-bait fished off the bank in 3 to 6 feet of water. Yellow catfish are slow.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water clear; 81 degrees; 4' low; Black bass to 7 pounds are fair to good on white and chautreaux buzzbaits and motor oil worms fished in the mouths of the creeks. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are slow. Yellow catfish are occasional. The Hub City West Texas Anglers will host a tournament Oct. 4th. Registration is 6pm to 9pm the 3rd at the boat ramp. Entry fee is \$35 per person and the big fish of the day prize is \$500.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 84 degrees; 5' low; Black bass are good on white spinnerbaits fished in 12 to 14 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows fished around the docks in 6 to 7 feet of water. White bass are good on topwaters. Fish are schooling around the bridge. Channel and blue catfish are good on shad drift fishing by the bridges in 18 to 20 feet of water. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch.

BRIDGEPORT: Water murky; 79 degrees; 8.5 feet low; Black bass to 6 pounds are good on worms and topwaters fished in 2 to 12 feet of water. Crappie are fair on minnows fished over brush piles in 12 to 20 feet of water. White bass and hybrid strippers are good on topwaters and slabs with surface activity early and late. Smallmouth bass are fair on jigs and crankbaits. Channel and blue catfish are fair on shrimp and cutbaits. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch. There is a weekly tournament every Thursday at 6pm.

COLORADO CITY: Water fairly clear; 90 degrees; 12.5' low; Black bass are fair on floating worms fished over rocks. Crappie are slow. White bass are slow. Redfish are slow trolling live shad and slabs in 16 to 18 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are fair on shrimp and minnows fished around the dam. Yellow catfish to 9 pounds are slow on live worms.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water murky; 83 degrees; 19' low; Black bass are good on large minnows fished off the points. Crappie are good on minnows fished in the shallows over rocks. White bass are slow. Hybrid strippers are fair on cut shad. Channel and blue catfish are fair on shrimp and nightcrawlers fished off the bottom. Yellow catfish to 32 pounds are good on trotlines baited with live perch.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water stained; 78 degrees; 2.5' low; Black bass are good on watermelon and strawberry worms fished in the hydrilla and duck weed. Also try black and blue jigs fished in the cattails and reeds near the river mouth. Crappie are good on small minnows, marabou and tube jigs fished over brush piles in 15 feet of water. White bass are good on Little George and shallow diving crankbaits. Fish are schooling near the surface. Hybrid strippers are slow. Try downrigger various baits near Tanglewood Island in 20 to 27 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are very good on live worms. Yellow catfish are slow.

LEMP: Water murky; 88 degrees; 8' low; Black bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on minnows and nightcrawlers. Yellow catfish to 50 pounds are fair on trotlines baited with live goldfish. Few people are accessing the lake due to high winds. Moonshine entrance is the last boat ramp open.

NOCONA: Water clear; 79 degrees; 4 feet low; Black bass to 8.5 pounds are good on topwaters, spinnerbaits and jerk baits fished in 2 to 8 feet of water. Crappie are fair on jigs and minnows fished in 10 to 15 feet of water. White bass and hybrid strippers are good on Sassy Shads and spinnerbaits. Channel and blue catfish are fair on prepared baits and ghost minnows fished in 8 to 12 feet of water. Yellow catfish are fair on live perch.

OAK CREEK RESERVOIR: Water fairly clear; 78 degrees; 6.5' low; Black bass are fair on June bug lizards. Crappie are slow. White bass are good on minnows fished under the Hwy. 70 bridge in 20 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish to 20 pounds are good on trotlines baited with chicken livers set in the creek. Yellow catfish to 45 pounds are fair to good on live goldfish and perch.

O.H. WEE: Water fairly clear; 81 degrees; 5' low; Black bass are fair to good on topwaters and buzzbaits fished inside the hydrilla line. Try Bass Assassins along the outside edges of the hydrilla. Crappie are slow on jigs and minnows fished along the river channel at night under lights in 25 to 35 feet of water. White bass are slow on slabs fished 30 feet of water. Also try Rat-L-Traps fished near Turkey Bend on the flats in 6 to 8 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish to 19.97 pounds are good on live worms and stinkbait fished in Grape Creek in 15 to 25 feet of water. Yellow catfish are slow trotlines baited with live goldfish.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 79 degrees; 10' low; Black bass are slow on black and purple worms fished in 2 to 20 feet of water. Crappie are slow on minnows fished in 7 to 20 feet of water. White bass are slow on minnows fished in 5 to 20 feet of water. Striped bass to 6 pounds are slow on live shad fished in 24 to 40 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are slow on cutbaits fished in 10 to 40 feet of water. Yellow catfish to are slow on live perch fished in 10 to 24 feet of water.

SPENCE: Water fairly clear; 88 degrees; Black bass good on topwaters and spinnerbaits fished off the bank. Crappie are slow. White bass are very good on topwaters fished early and midday on slabs fished in 10 to 30 feet of water. Striped bass are very good on cutbaits and shad fished in 12 to 15 feet of water. Channel and blue catfish are slow on shrimp and worms fished in 10 to 15 feet of water. Yellow catfish are fair to good on live shad.

STAMFORD: Water fairly clear; 89 degrees; 9' low; Black bass are good on chautreaux spinnerbaits and pumpkinseed worms fished early in 1 to 4 feet of water. Crappie are good on minnows fished off the rocky banks and around the brush in 7 to 8 feet of water. White bass are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on punchbaits and nightcrawlers fished in 1 to 6 feet of water. Yellow catfish are slow on goldfish and live perch fished in 15 to 20 feet of water.

SWEETWATER: Water murky; 80 degrees; 6' low; Black bass are slow on pumpkinseed and blue fleck lizards. Crappie are poor. Channel and blue catfish to are slow on stinkbait fished by the dam in 10 to 30 feet of water. Yellow catfish are slow.

TWIN BUTTES: Black bass are fair on topwaters fished early and late. Crappie are slow. White bass are fair. Channel and blue catfish are good on chicken livers fished off the bottom. Yellow catfish are fair to good on live goldfish and perch fished off the bottom.

The Mini Page

Especially for kids and their families

By BETTY DEBNAM

The Great Dutch Artist Vincent van Gogh



"Self-Portrait as an Artist" (1888) shows van Gogh at his easel, holding brushes and a palette loaded with bright colors. Van Gogh's brush marks are always very visible. He drew with the brush, as well as using brush marks to apply color and create textures.

Sometimes we might look at a painting and just see a picture of the artist painted.

Other times we might react to the picture. We might feel the way the artist wanted us to feel. The artist might touch us in some way.

Vincent van Gogh is such an artist. His paintings sincerely express his feelings. He had a human touch that makes viewers relate or feel "at home" with his works.

Vincent van Gogh had intense, or strong, feelings. He used color and light and the strokes of his brush to create the masterpieces that remain among the most popular in the world. He ranks as one of the world's greatest artists.

THE BEST WAY TO UNDERSTAND VAN GOGH IS THROUGH HIS PAINTINGS, SHOWN HERE IN BLACK AND WHITE. YOU WILL WANT TO SEE THEM IN COLOR.

In the Netherlands



"The Potato Eaters" is a large painting of Dutch peasants drinking coffee and eating a simple meal of boiled potatoes. This is van Gogh's earliest masterpiece, painted in 1885. He had been painting for only a few years. He considered this to be his best painting ever.

A busy artist

Van Gogh was a man with lots of energy. Although his career as an artist lasted less than 10 years, he created about 2,000 paintings and drawings that exist today.

He also found time to write letters, mostly to his younger brother, Theo. More than 750 of his letters are still around. He was an intelligent man who could write in and speak French and English, as well as his native Dutch.

His art was ahead of its time. While he did have people who admired his paintings, they did not begin to sell until after his death.



NOTICE NOW DARK THE PICTURE ABOVE IS.

His early years

Vincent van Gogh was born in 1853 in a small town in the Netherlands. His father was a preacher.

At 16, he took his first job, that of an art dealer. He was not a success. He then became a teacher, and then a missionary. None of these jobs worked out.

At 27, he decided to become an artist. He had no idea whether he had the talent or not.

Rookie Cookie's Recipe Mighty Mustard Chicken

- You'll need:
- 16-ounce can mixed vegetables, drained
 - 3 tablespoons mustard
 - 3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
 - 4 chicken breasts
- What to do:
1. Place vegetables in a microwave-safe casserole.
 2. Combine mustard and butter or margarine in a medium bowl. Mix well.
 3. Spread mustard mixture evenly over chicken. Place chicken on vegetables.
 4. Cover with waxed paper.
 5. Microwave on HIGH 18 minutes or until chicken is done. Turn halfway through cooking.
 6. Let stand 5 minutes before serving. Serves 4.

VINCENT TRY 'N FIND 'N

Words that remind us of Vincent van Gogh are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find: VAN GOGH, VINCENT, NETHERLANDS, ARTIST, THEO, GALLERY, DEALER, PAINTING, ART, PARIS, HOLLAND, MINISTRY, IMPRESSIONIST, CARING, RELIGIOUS, WRITER.

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M I N I S T R Y W R I T E R I

Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy is painting a self-portrait. See if you can find:

- word MINI
- letter D
- number 7
- canoe
- pencil
- ruler
- kite
- heart
- lima bean
- two number 8's
- chicken
- olive

A Master of Color and Light

In the French countryside

YOU CAN SEE WHY VAN GOGH WAS VERY PROUD OF THIS PAINTING.

"The Harvest" was painted after van Gogh bird of Paris and moved to Arles, a small town in the south of France. He painted peasants at work in the cornfields with the mountains in the background. (1888)

"The Bedroom" features the artist's own room painted in a simple, cozy way. (1888)

It was painted when van Gogh was expecting a visit from Paul Gauguin, another artist. Van Gogh hoped that Gauguin and other artists would settle nearby and form an artists' colony. Gauguin was hard to get along with. They quarreled a great deal. After an argument, van Gogh cut off his own ear in a fit of rage.

"Almond Blossom" (1890) was painted as a gift to Theo after the birth of Theo's son. Van Gogh painted it while he was in a mental asylum. He took his own life at the age of 37, in 1890.

The exhibit "Van Gogh's Van Goghs" will be on display at the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C., from Oct. 4, 1998 through Jan. 3, 1999. It will travel to the Los Angeles County Museum and be on display from Jan. 17 through April 4, 1999.

A site to see about van Gogh: www.nga.gov

Tomorrow's workforce is in today's classrooms.

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THURSDAY OCT. 1. TV schedule table with columns for station, time, and program name.

HAGAR and BLONDE comic strips. Haggar shows a man being taken away in a cart. Blonde shows a man talking to a woman about work.

B.C. comic strip. A man asks for a job, and another man offers him a job as a talent scout.

FAMILY CIRCUS and DENNIS THE MENACE comic strips. Family Circus shows a man looking out a window. Dennis the Menace shows a boy with a trampoline.

GEECH comic strip. A man asks for a break, and another man tells him he hasn't done anything except stand there.

WIZARD OF ID comic strip. A man asks for a house with a big dining room, a big kitchen, and lots of parking.

HI AND LOIS comic strip. A man asks for a house with a big dining room, a big kitchen, and lots of parking.

GASOLINE ALLEY comic strip. A man says, 'Clovia's going down the track in the wrong direction! She'll wreck if she's not careful! She'll wreck even if she is careful!'

SNUFFY SMITH comic strip. A man says, 'I SEEN YORE MAN SNUFFY DRAGGIN' HOME AT SUNUP!! I DON'T KEEP TABS ON HIM I GOT A NOSY NEIGHBOR THAT DOES IT FER ME'

BEETLE BAILY comic strip. A man says, 'I DON'T CARE HOW MAD YOU GET! I'M YOUR SUPERIOR OFFICER! YOU CAN'T LAY A HAND ON ME!'

THIS DATE IN HISTORY. Today is Wednesday, Sept. 30, the 273rd day of 1998. There are 92 days left in the year.

THE Daily Crossword. Edited by Wayne Robert Williams. Includes crossword puzzle grid and word list.

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved. Lists words found in the crossword puzzle, such as PLAN, ALOHA, DIGER, LAVA, MOVER, IGOR, USED, EVERT, ANNO, STRAWBERRY, BLOND, EAR, ALERTE, HASSLE, STANDEES, IDEAS, THAI, PEACHES, SANDCREAM, MAWS, HASTA, MASSEURS, JITTER, ASTER, GUM, CHERYSTONE, CLAM, ALVA, ICING, AIDA, WEEP, PANEL, LEAS, SYNE, STARE, MUMS.

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