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SWCID plans dedication today

The public is invited to the dedication of the Southwest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf Burke-Mehan residential complex at 5 p.m. today. Dedication will be held on the SWCID campus, at 3200 Swords Avenue.

WEEKEND TICKET

TODAY
Spring City senior citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., music provided by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.

SATURDAY
Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.
Big Spring Squares call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.
The first annual All City Choir Concert, featuring 120 Big Spring elementary students, begins at 7:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church.

Free and open to the public, the Big Spring High School Meistersingers, the Chancel Choir of First United Methodist Church and the Handbell Ringers from Bauer Magnet School will also perform.

Coahoma Elementary PTA is having its fall festival from 5:30 to 10 p.m. It will be outside between the elementary school and junior high. For more information, call Donna Mansfield at 394-4535 or 267-5701.

The Vietnam Memorial Committee will have the M-60A tank, the most recent addition to the Big Spring Vietnam Memorial, open for viewing from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Persons attending are encouraged to bring cameras.

The tank will also be open for viewing on Veteran's Day, Nov. 11, at the same hours.

Big Spring Evening Lions Club has free eye glasses for all adults from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club bingo building, 1607 East Third.

All adults needing eye glasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome.

For more information call Janis Dean at 267-3068.

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Food store teams with Salvation Army to ring in holiday miracles

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Beginning today, an H-E-B Food Store shopper may help "Ring in a Miracle," by donating \$1 or \$2 to the local Salvation Army.

"Shoppers can make a donation by taking a coupon at the checkout stand. The coupon is then scanned along with their groceries," said Mike De La Garza, vice president of public affairs for H-E-B.



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"The Salvation Army helps so many people, especially at this time of year. We are pleased to provide them with this avenue of assistance," said Mike De La Garza.

The program, now in its third year, ends Dec. 31. Money raised through the campaign will stay in the Big Spring community, De La Garza said.

The Salvation Army Winter Relief Program benefits needy families with assistance in the form of food, utilities and other areas, he said.

Major Roy Tolcher, commanding officer of Big Spring Salvation Army, said H-E-B's Ring in a Miracle campaign benefits local residents as well as provides

assistance for the recent disaster relief programs.

"There isn't any easier way to help your neighbors in Big Spring and the surrounding area of Howard County than through the Ring in a Miracle program at H-E-B," Tolcher said.

Shoppers will be allowed to select one of the two coupons each time they visit the store, De La Garza said.

Danelle Castillo, social services director for the Salvation Army, said two billboards will be placed in Big Spring announcing the union of the store and the agency as they work through the Christmas season.

"On these billboards will be the slogan

'Giving Has Never Been Easier', along with the Salvation Army logo and the H-E-B Food Store logo," she said.

Each year the Salvation Army provides many Christmas programs for children in the community, like the Angel Tree program currently under way and the Doll Dress Extravaganza, which provides dolls for community girls.

Also, bell ringers dressed as Santa's Helpers posted outside retail outlets in town accept donations in kettles for the Christmas programs.

Because H-E-B has a no solicitation policy on its grounds, the \$1 and \$2 donations provide customers with an opportunity to give.



The business showcase enjoyed a high attendance at the Dora Roberts Community Center Thursday night as area merchants gave the public a first peek at Christmas. Kay Ivelie, Becky Fields and Shelane Roberts browse through the Dunlap's booth.

Call helps police nab suspected burglar

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

Big Spring Police Department officials say that a concerned citizen's call has helped to solve almost a dozen reported burglaries in the city, as well as several unreported thefts.

Kenneth Paul Conway was stopped and arrested on Oct. 15 for no liability insurance. According to BSPD Detective Charles Calvert, linking Conway to the thefts was quite simple.

"We just put two and two together, and Conway was four," said Calvert. "We had him in custody on an unrelated charge less than 24 hours before we

determined he was responsible for the latest rash of auto burglaries and thefts in Big Spring. It was his M.O., and he had a history of the same activity. We are in the process of filing the various criminal cases."

According to Calvert, Conway was linked to the burglaries when his truck was spotted by a concerned citizen at the scene of one of the burglaries.

"A citizen noticed the truck near one of the thefts, and thought it seemed suspicious," said Calvert. "He wrote down the license number of the vehicle, and called us later with the information. That ended up being our main link between Conway and the thefts."

Calvert said his office recovered more than \$4,200 in items stolen, and that the majority of the items have been returned to their owners.

"We have already found a great deal of the owners," said Calvert. "However, we still have quite a few items that we haven't placed."

"A lot of people had items stolen, and just never reported them. We have a number of lawn care tools and equipment that no one has claimed, and we are still trying to find the owners."

Anyone with information or questions can contact the Big Spring Police Department at 264-2550.

Diocese receives final insurance recovery payment of \$500,000

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

The Roman Catholic Diocese of San Angelo recently received its final insurance recovery payment of \$500,000, following the discovery of the misapplication of some \$4.5 million in diocesan funds almost a year ago.

Earlier this year the diocese

received an insurance recovery payment of \$1 million from Catholic Mutual Insurance, bringing the diocese's total recoveries to \$1.5 million.

"We received the first payment from the insurance company in December of last year," said Father Maurice Voity, spokesperson for the San Angelo Diocese. "That one was for a total of \$1 million. The most recent, and final payment

we received recently was for \$500,000."

The insurance recovery funds are the result of the "misapplication" of \$4.5 million in funds that were discovered in Nov. 1997, following the death of longtime diocesan bookkeeper David L. Mayrand.

According to Voity, the \$1.5 million recovered from their insurance provider is a far cry from the estimated \$4.5 million

Water plant

Construction on chemical feed facility expected to begin shortly, officials say

By T.E. JENKINS
Staff Writer

The City of Big Spring expects to begin construction on a new chemical feed facility at the 1600 Virginia Water Treatment Plant some time in December.

Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission has made some new requirements for the chlorine cylinders we use to purify the water," said Director of Public Works Todd Darden.

"The new requirements say that we have to have scales under the cylinders to measure the capacity of the cylinders, and our current facilities aren't dimensionally capable of handling the new equipment."

Darden said he expects the project to take about six months to complete once the construction plans are approved by the city.

"We expect to begin sending out bid packages for the project in December," said Darden. "The construction should take about six months, so we expect to have everything completed around June or July. We really don't anticipate construction taking that long, but you never know."

Darden said new regulations



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from the Federal Environmental Protection Agency will have his officials preparing a risk management plan.

"New requirements from the EPA make the risk management plan a necessity. We have consultants coming in the next couple of weeks to help us prepare the plan."

Darden said a risk management plan will provide specific instructions for emergency services and employees if chlorine gas leaks out into the outlying residential area.

"It's a good idea to be prepared for such an emergency," said Darden. "Chlorine gas can be fatal, and there is always the chance that a valve or cylinder could become damaged or broken. It's important to have a plan of action to notify the residents who could be in danger, and to be able to evacuate them as quickly and safely as possible."

Darden said the water treatment plant has never had a major chlorine leak, but it is best to be prepared if the situation should ever arise.

"We've had small leaks in the past, but nothing major," said Darden. "You have to be prepared, however. Those cylinders are trucked in, and if they are dropped while we are bringing them inside, they could cause a major disaster."

Darden said he expects to begin drills at the plant as soon as the plan is finished and in place.

Prospects look good for hunters as deer season nears

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Deer season opens Saturday, and local Texas Parks and Wildlife officials said the prospects are good for taking trophy bucks.

"Most people after the white-tail are people who like to hunt bucks. This season has surprised the wildlife biologists and we are glad to see the antler quality better, considering how dry it was," said Ruben Cantu, wildlife regional director.

Cantu said while older aged bucks survived the drought this summer, the younger class group did not do so well.

"That number has been down the last few years, and we did not get the fawn production, due to the drought. The reduction of milk production by the does because of the drought caused the fawns to be kicked

off, and many didn't make it," he said.

Defenseless fawns make easy targets for predators within the area, such as coyotes, he said.

Turkey season will be good this year, while quail is fair to poor, and dove spotty, Cantu said.

"Turkey season will be extremely good this year, left over from last year, and spring and fall will be good for turkey with lots of numbers."

"Quail depends on the rain, and dove is not as good as it was last year," he said.

Howard County has a limit on the number of deer a hunter may shoot. Four deer are allowed, but only two of those may be bucks, he said.

Cantu, along with Howard County game warden Wayne Armstrong cautioned residents to not pick up any fawns they may find.

"This good samaritan type gesture is against the law,"

Cantu said. "The mama's are out there watching 99 percent of the time, and they know what's going on. A fawn is virtually scentless for the first month, and the doe may wander off to search for food for herself," Cantu said.

Armstrong said a fine of up to \$500 may be levied against a person in possession of an animal with a population that is regulated by a hunting season.

"Plus, each has a dollar value set by the Legislature in addition to the fine. They are scored on the Boone & Crockett, and I know of one restitution fee that was \$12,500 for one deer," Armstrong said.

If a fawn should be found in the wild, and it appears to be alone and abandoned, Armstrong suggests calling him or another official with exact directions to the location.

"People have good intentions, but it is bad for the deer," he said.



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OBITUARIES

Ray Ashley
Service for Ray Ashley, 82, Forsan, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. He died Thursday, Nov. 5, 1998, in a Stanton hospital.

W.D. Fikes
Military graveside service for W.D. Fikes, 64, Big Spring, will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 7, 1998, at the old Runnels Cemetery in Ballinger. Mr. Fikes died Wednesday, Nov. 4, at his home following a sudden illness.



FIKES

He was born on Feb. 5, 1934, in Paint Rock. He married Edith Conner in Fort Worth in 1956, and she preceded him in death on June 10, 1998. He moved to Big Spring in 1988 from Imperial. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army in the Missile Battalion. He was a retired truck driver, having worked for Chemical Express. He is survived by: one son, David Fikes of Big Spring; two sisters, Nancy Hobbs of Abilene, and Jan Kitchens of West River, Md.; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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, 6:15 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, 6:15 Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m. open meetings, 6:15 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

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W. D. Fikes, 64, died Wednesday. Graveside services are 10:30 AM at Old Runnels Cemetery in Ballinger, TX.

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Funeral Home
Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331
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correct meeting date.
•NA 10 p.m. candlelight meeting, 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.
•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue/Fibromyalgia Syndromes support group meets the second Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. at HealthSouth, Loop 250 and Hwy 191.
IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

BRIEFS

COAHOMA COMMUNITY ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW and Sale will be Nov. 14, at the Coahoma Community Center. To reserve a booth and/or for more information, call Judy West at 394-4305. If no answer, leave a message.

UNDER THE BIG TOP, an old-fashioned carnival for the Hangar 25 project, will be get under way at 10 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 14 at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark. There will be a flight simulator, plane rides, kiddie rides, a junk car smash, dunking booth, food booths and much more. Proceeds will be used toward the acquisition of planes to be displayed in the Hangar 25 Air Museum.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD, A program to help children age infant through teens, is asking your support to help kids in war-torn areas. To help, get a shoebox and fill it with items appropriate for either an infant, child age 2-4, 5-9 or 10-14. These would include blankets, diapers, clothing, toys, caps, gloves, flashlight, school supplies, toothpaste, etc. In the top of the box, enclose a check or money order made payable to Samaritan's Purse for \$5 to cover overseas shipping charges. Pick-up date for the boxes is Nov. 14 at Ahan Johnson Furniture Company, 202 Scurry in Big Spring. For more information, contact Brenda Schwartz at (915) 397-2353.

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH will be giving flu shots on Saturday, Nov. 14, Wednesday Nov. 18, and Wednesday Nov. 25 from 8 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4:30 p.m. The flu shot on Nov. 25 will be given from 8 a.m. to noon only.

THE EDUCATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SCHOLARSHIP Foundation is preparing to award \$250,000 in college scholarships. Scholarship applications for high school and college students are available through Dec. 16, 1998 by writing 721 N. McKinley Road, P.O. Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012. Or fax a request to 847-259-3972. High school with a B grade point average, and college students with a B plus average are eligible for the \$1,000 college scholarships.

THE AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S Association is having their annual arts and craft show Saturday, Nov. 7, and again on Dec. 5, in the Big Spring Mall. The funds raised will go into a college fund for women. If you have questions, call P.J. Heckler at 267-8239.

APPLICATIONS FROM HIGH SCHOOL seniors are being accepted by Angelo State University for Carr Academic Scholarships for 1999-2000. Over 300 Carr Academic Scholarships for 1999-2000, ranging in value from \$1,500 to \$6,000, are available to qualified high school seniors. In order to be eligible, students must normally be in the top 15 percent of their high school class, and present a combined math and verbal score of 1140 or higher on the SAT or a composite score of 25 or higher on the Enhanced ACT Assessment. Financial need is also a criterion for selection. The undergraduate scholarships may be renewed annually by the University for students

who maintain the required academic record and personal standards. The priority deadline for submitting applications and all supporting materials is February 1, 1999, although completed applications from outstanding students may be considered up until June 1, 1999, to the extent that funds are still available. Application materials and information regarding the Carr Academic Scholarships can be obtained by contacting or writing to: Financial Aid Office, Angelo State University, Box 11015, ASU Station, San Angelo, Texas 76901 (915) 942-2246 or toll free 800/933-6299. Additional information is available through the Angelo State University web site on the Internet at <http://www.angelo.edu>.

THERE IS A FUND set up for P.E. (Ed) Moore of Sand Springs to help with medical bills due to injuries from a bull. This is also to help the family with motel expenses while in Lubbock. Anyone wishing to help this family can donate to: Ed Moore Fund; First Bank of West Texas, 1810 E. FM 700. For more information call 267-1113.

MOTHER'S DAY OUT PROGRAM will be starting Monday, Nov. 2, at Baptist Temple. The program will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Mondays and the cost is \$8 per child. If there is enough interest in this, there will be one on Wednesdays. Please call the church office at 267-8287 if you are interested.

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS need volunteers to listen to grade school children read one or two mornings a week. Call 264-3600.

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

THE RESOURCES OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMIC FUNDING ADVISORY (NAFA), an updated publication for 1998-99 is available which clarifies academic funding guidelines, steps students through the maze of the financial aid process and shows them how to identify and tap into the scholarship money that is available to them. For information on how to receive academic funding and scholarships for college, graduate school or trade school, send \$3 to cover shipping and handling to the National Academic Funding Advisory (NAFA); 188 Summer Street; Scholarship Department N7; Portsmouth, N.H.; 03801.

Kellogg introduces line of cholesterol-lowering foods
CHICAGO (AP) — Kellogg Co. is hoping to put a little snap, crackle and pop back into its sales with a line of foods aimed at health-conscious consumers. The 21-item Ensemble food line, touted as reducing bad cholesterol that leads to heart disease, is expected to hit supermarket shelves in five Midwestern states by March and be rolled out nationwide by

Woman suing doctor over AIDS misdiagnosis
NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — A woman who claims her doctor mistakenly treated her for AIDS for 2½ years testified Thursday she was stunned when a second doctor said she didn't have the virus. "It was just hard to believe after having gone through everything and everything I had been told," Charlene Riling said. "Is all this false hope? There was definitely some question in my mind about it." Riling, 40, said Dr. Karen-S. Dufour treated her from November 1989 through May 1992 for a variety of problems that Dufour wrongly thought were related to HIV. Riling, from Hartford, said she told Dufour she was HIV positive. She said a counselor at the New Haven Health Department told her so after performing a blood test and Dufour never confirmed the diagnosis. She acknowledged that a colleague of Dufour's offered to administer an HIV test but she demurred. When Riling went to an AIDS specialist in May 1992 for further treatment, she was flabbergasted by his determination that she did not have AIDS. The lawsuit accuses Dufour and her practice of negligence. Riling also claims the doctor prescribed drugs that would otherwise be dangerous to a person not suffering from AIDS-related illness. During the time that Dufour was her primary care physician, Riling was treated on several occasions for problems related to dementia, said she lost much of her muscle function and suffered mouth sores, severe headaches and other

maladies wrongly attributed to AIDS. Under cross examination, Riling acknowledged that before she went to see Dufour, she had lied to several other physicians about her HIV status. While believing she was HIV positive, Riling said, she told those doctors she did not have the disease because she had not yet accepted the diagnosis herself. It was later determined that she had a severe case of colitis and a sinus infection. She also contends in the lawsuit that some of her symptoms were caused by the drugs used to treat AIDS.

Parrot fossil find suggest they coexisted with dinosaurs
Associated Press
An inch-long jaw fragment found in Wyoming suggests that parrots were keeping the dinosaurs company in the years before a cosmic collision killed off nearly three-quarters of life on Earth, a researcher says. The fossil is thought to be between 65 million and 70 million years old. If it came from a parrot, it would be more than 10 million years older than any parrot fossil found to date and the earliest known fossil of any existing group of land birds. The fragment described in Thursday's issue of the journal Nature quickly drew criticism from avian experts. They said more evidence was needed to support the author's parrot claims. "This would be such an astounding discovery that you've got to have more evidence than just a skimpy piece of a jawbone to identify a bird from the Cretaceous," said Alan Feduccia, an evolutionary biologist at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Feduccia said the fossil might be that of any number of creatures, including an ancient turtle. It was found in the late 1950s in eastern Wyoming. Graduate student Thomas A. Stidham came across it three years ago in the University of California at Berkeley's fossil collection. Stidham said he's painstakingly studied the fossil, which is shaped like the hull of a boat, and is convinced that it's part of the lower jaw of an ancient parrot. It has the same shape as a parrot jaw, and X-rays of the fossil reveal a K-shaped impression that is characteristic of parrots. He dated the fossil at between 65 million and 70 million years of age, about the time scientists believe a comet or asteroid collision killed off the dinosaurs and many other species. Storrs Olson, curator of birds at the National Museum of Natural History at the Smithsonian Institution, said the oldest previous parrot fossils date to about 53 million years ago.

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A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

TEXAS LOTTERY PICK 3: 2,9,8
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SHERIFF
The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. Friday:
• **JACKIE D. MORRIS**, 32, was arrested for contempt of a child support order.
• **KYLE WADE RIDDLE**, 23, was arrested for making alcoholic beverages available to a minor, driving while license suspended, unlawfully carrying a weapon, and evading arrest with a motor vehicle.
• **KEVIN JAMES BRILEY**, 20, was arrested for public intoxication, unlawfully carrying a weapon, and evading arrest with a motor vehicle.
• **MICHAEL LEE BARKER**, 30, was arrested on a parole violation.
• **STEVEN ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ**, 26, was arrested for having a prohibited substance in a correctional facility and imposition of sentence/possession of marijuana.

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• **JERRY HUGHES**, 38, was arrested for leaving the scene of an accident.
• **CASEY HARRISON**, 29, was arrested for failure to identify.
• **COMONECKI THACKER**, 17, was arrested on local warrants.
• **JAMES PERRY**, 33, was arrested for theft.
• **BERNARD BALDEREZ**, 29, was arrested on a revocation warrant.
• **JESSIE SALGADO**, 26, was arrested on warrants.
• **CRIMINAL TRESPASS WARNING** in the 2000 block of S. Goliad.
• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** in the 100 block of E. 3rd, and 200 block of E. 1st.
• **THEFT** in the 400 block of E. 4th.
• **ASSAULT** in the 1400 block of Scurry, and the 1900 block of N. 87.
• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** in the 1600 block of 1st.
• **VIOLATION OF A PROTECTIVE ORDER** in the 2400 block of S. Monticello.

RECORDS
Thursday's high 46
Thursday's low 40
Average high 68
Average low 42
Record high 88 in 1924
Record low 19 in 1959
Precip. Thursday 0.00
Month to date 0.84
Month's normal 0.07
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SHERIFF
The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. Friday:
• **JACKIE D. MORRIS**, 32, was arrested for contempt of a child support order.
• **KYLE WADE RIDDLE**, 23, was arrested for making alcoholic beverages available to a minor, driving while license suspended, unlawfully carrying a weapon, and evading arrest with a motor vehicle.
• **KEVIN JAMES BRILEY**, 20, was arrested for public intoxication, unlawfully carrying a weapon, and evading arrest with a motor vehicle.
• **MICHAEL LEE BARKER**, 30, was arrested on a parole violation.
• **STEVEN ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ**, 26, was arrested for having a prohibited substance in a correctional facility and imposition of sentence/possession of marijuana.

POLICE
The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 8 a.m. Thursday and 8 a.m. Friday:
• **BOBBY CUNNINGHAM**, 28, was arrested for public intoxication.
• **BILLY HALLFORD**, 23, was arrested for public intoxication.
• **JERRY HUGHES**, 38, was arrested for leaving the scene of an accident.
• **CASEY HARRISON**, 29, was arrested for failure to identify.
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Lawmakers propose rewrite of Texas Constitution

AUSTIN (AP) — Two lawmakers say they will soon unveil a proposed new constitution that would give the governor broad power to appoint judges and officials now elected by the people.

"Our Constitution was written in the 19th century by people terrified of centralized government," Senate Finance Chairman Bill Ratliff said Thursday.

He has been working on the rewrite for several months. "As a result, we created the

weakest governor in the 50 states," he told the Austin American-Statesman. "Maybe that was good for the times, but now we need a governor that can govern."

Under the plan, the governor would appoint the state land commissioner, agriculture commissioner, judges and members of the Railroad Commission and State Board of Education — similar to the national scheme. All are now elected jobs.

"They ought to be answerable to the governor," said Ratliff, R-

Mount Pleasant.

Although there would be sweeping changes, the rewrite would leave untouched the state Bill of Rights, a 30-section delineation of individual liberties, such as freedom of religion, protection from unreasonable search and seizure, and freedom of speech.

Gov. George W. Bush has not seen the proposed Constitution, but is looking forward to it, spokeswoman Mindy Tucker said Thursday.

But the governor has said he

opposes any effort to change the current system that limits the Legislature to 140 days of regular session in odd-numbered years.

Ratliff said that provision would not be changed.

Bush also is on the record as opposing any change that would strip voters of their right to elect all judges.

Lt. Gov.-elect Rick Perry is eager to look at the proposed new Constitution and would favor efforts to make government "more efficient and more

effective," spokesman Ray Sullivan said.

Sullivan said Perry has no position on whether the governor's powers should be increased, Sullivan said.

Ratliff has been working with House Appropriations chairman Rob Junell, D-San Angelo, on the proposed new Constitution.

Both men say the current constitution, adopted in 1876 and amended 377 times since, has long outlived its usefulness.

"When you try to do things

like school finance or higher education matters, we find that we are constantly bumping up against arcane and restrictive things in the Constitution that don't really need to be there," Ratliff said.

Junell said the current document's wordiness makes it a target for drastic change.

"It has 76,000 words in it. It has 377 amendments. And the basic philosophy still carries the feelings of 1876," he said. "We need to get into the 21st century."

Levi to temporarily close seven factories

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Levi Strauss & Co., struggling to compete in an expanded jeans market, will temporarily close seven factories over the holiday season.

More than 4,000 workers will be asked to stay home in December and January in Texas, Georgia, Tennessee and North Carolina, the San Francisco-based company said Thursday.

"We're adjusting our production to market demand," said spokeswoman Tamara Churchman. "Rather than build our inventory up, we elected to cut back on production."

The factories, in McAllen, San Benito, Brownsville and Wichita Falls, Texas; Valdosta, Ga.; Mountain City, Tenn.; and Murphy, N.C., make the basic Levi's five-pocket jeans.

Demand for Levi's trademark jeans has dropped in recent years. Competition from newer fashion brands, such as The Gap and Tommy Hilfiger, has cut the world's oldest denim maker's hold on the jeans market to less than 17 percent.

The plants are scheduled to reopen in February. Until then, workers will receive 90 percent of their pay through unemployment, supplementary compen-

sation, vacation and holiday pay, she said.

Levi Strauss, the world's largest brand-name clothing maker, celebrated its 125th anniversary this year. Until recent years, Levi's dominated the jeans market with its famous 501 jeans and its Dockers and Slates brands.

But last year, worldwide revenue fell to \$6.9 billion after peaking in 1996 at \$7.1 billion.

Last November the company said it would lay off 7,400 workers, about 34 percent of its North American work force, and close 11 of its 27 U.S. plants, to compensate for lower

demand.

In July, Levi Strauss said it would likely cut more jobs during the next two years in an effort to trim \$200 million in costs, but did not provide any specifics.

Since then, the company has said two finishing centers — where workers wash, rinse, dye and press garments — in El Paso and Amarillo, Texas, would close by year's end.

Levi Strauss also said it would close four European factories — three in Belgium and one in France — citing a drop in the size of youth population and a shift in consumer taste.

Body of bank president found; Police have leads but no suspects

LANEVILLE, Texas (AP) — A Rusk County banker and civic leader was found shot to death Thursday in a ditch.

Ronnie Dale Ritch, 50, longtime president of First State Bank of Overton, was shot many times in the upper body, said Rusk County Sheriff James Stroud. Ritch's car turned up near a cemetery in Kilgore, authorities said.

Stroud said authorities have several leads but no clear suspect in the case.

Ritch was last seen leaving the bank about 5 p.m. Wednesday, Stroud said. He was apparently on his way to pick up a donation for a cancer fund-raising run.

About 7 a.m. Thursday, authorities received separate calls about Ritch's abandoned car in Kilgore and a body in a ditch about three miles north of Mount Enterprise, Stroud said, and officers connected the two reports.

An autopsy is expected to be conducted in Dallas today, Stroud said.

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Her son, David, said 75 percent of his anxiety subsided after the shuttle's rocket boosters peeled away. Once his father reached orbit, "I haven't been worried since."

And Lyn said she was comforted by spending some quiet time with her dad before the launch, doing simple things such as hunting for seashells on the beach.

Most importantly, she added, "I said before the launch that if Dad died, I knew he would die one of the happiest people who ever lived."

As his space trip winds down, John Glenn craves more time in orbit

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — With his historic and likely final voyage into space winding down, John Glenn finds himself craving a little more time in orbit. His wife has another kind of trip in mind: "taking at least five days alone in our car as Mr. and Mrs. John Glenn."

On their final full day in orbit before Discovery's scheduled landing on Saturday, Glenn and his crewmates planned to wrap up their geriatric experiments today and begin stowing equipment.

They awoke this morning to "Voyage Into Space," a musical

composition by Glenn's friend Peter Nero.

Commander Curtis Brown Jr. and pilot Steven Lindsey planned to test the shuttle's flight control systems to ensure everything is working properly for touchdown at Florida's Kennedy Space Center.

Glenn wouldn't mind extending the nine-day mission.

"I wish it could last another week," he said. On Thursday, the 77-year-old astronaut even joked with his former Mercury crewmate, Scott Carpenter, about coming back "on our next job" to open a retirement home in space.

But the wife of the world's oldest astronaut would rather not even kid about an extended mission or a third flight.

"As far as I'm concerned, there are going to be no more other flights," said Annie Glenn, the astronaut's wife of 55 years.

Mrs. Glenn, 78, and the couple's two children, David, 52, and Lyn, 51, met with reporters Thursday for the first time since Glenn blasted into orbit last week.

They said he has never looked happier and seems as bubbly as a child, especially in the e-mail he has sent them from

Discovery.

Still, Mrs. Glenn said, "It will be good to have him home."

Mrs. Glenn said her husband hasn't mentioned anything in particular that he wants to do when he returns, but after tasting his space food for herself, she's been trying to find out what he wants to eat.

"One thing they'll both be munching on is chewing gum that Glenn gave his wife before the launch, a gesture that brought back memories of his 1962 flight, when he became the first American to orbit the Earth. Back then, Glenn called his wife from the launch pad to

say he was "just going down to the corner to get chewing gum."

Mrs. Glenn said she has carried the gum in a pocket over her heart throughout Discovery's flight.

"I can hardly wait to chew it," she said, smiling.

While Mrs. Glenn and her children acknowledge they initially were opposed to Glenn's return to orbit, each said they came around once they learned to cope with the fear that something could go wrong.

Mrs. Glenn said her apprehension dissolved on launch day when she finally heard the words, "throttle up." "I could

hardly wait to have that over with," she said, "and I cried."

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Teenager faces trial in death of her newborn

ANGLETON (AP) — A 15-year-old girl will be tried in juvenile court for capital murder in the death of her newborn baby girl.

The teen-ager, who's been in custody since Sept. 15, allegedly killed her baby after giving birth in a bathroom of her family's home near Pearland.

Defense lawyers claim the baby died accidentally or was stillborn.

A grand jury decided Thursday that she should be tried in juvenile court.

Prosecutors first considered trying to certify the teen-ager as an adult to stand trial for capital murder but opted to keep the case in the juvenile justice system after acknowledging that they are unsure how the baby died.

The death was ruled a homicide after an autopsy determined that the girl died as a result of blunt trauma to the head and possibly asphyxiation.

Defense attorneys have suggested the injuries occurred when the teen-ager gave birth while standing in the doorway of an upstairs bathroom at her family's home in the affluent Silverlake subdivision.

The girl, a freshman at Pearland High School, has claimed she became pregnant during a rape last January. She has said she never realized he was pregnant until she gave birth.

If she is convicted in juvenile court, her maximum sentence would be 40 years in prison. She would have faced a maximum sentence of life in prison had she been convicted after being tried as an adult.

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-FIRST AMENDMENT

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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:

- **BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM**, which kept its playoff hopes alive with a 28-24 victory over San Angelo Lake View.

- **JOE PICKLE**, longtime resident and community leader who was honored with a going-away reception.

- **LOCAL CANDIDATES**, who ran clean campaigns, and took victory and defeat with class.

- **MARIE HALL**, who was asked to speak at the Texas Association of Community Colleges Foundation Conference and did, receiving accolades for her insights on philanthropy.

- **HOWARD COLLEGE LADY HAWKS AND HAWKS**, as they open the 1998-99 season.

- **FRIENDS OF THE SETTLES**, volunteers and K-Bob's Steakhouse, who helped raise \$8,250 in Halloween-related fund-raisers.

- **UNITED WAY**, which reported Wednesday that it has pledges or donations totaling 55 percent of the goal for 1999.

- **PARTICIPANTS IN DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY MEETS HELD HERE**, including Big Spring and Sands, who will send students on to regional competition.

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.

YOUR VIEWS

To the Editor:

We would like to thank you for the promotion of our Harvest Saturday activity up here on Scenic Mountain on Saturday, Oct. 3.

Because of your news coverage, we had a great turnout that day!

We appreciate your assistance with this community

activity. We had better weather this year!

Thanks again for your efforts to help the Big Spring State Park. These events help keep us in business!

RON ALTON,
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MANAGER

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Dispelling doubts about firearms for defense

A new book out should dispel any doubts about using firearms for self-defense. It's

"The Best Defense: True Stories of Intended Victims Who Defended Themselves With a Firearm" by Robert A. Waters, published by Cumberland House out of Nashville.

Waters, who is a former director of adult programs for an association of adults with mental disabilities and a former counselor in vocational rehabilitation, extensively interviewed people who were forced to defend their lives with a firearm.

The 14 stories are well-told. Some read like a suspense story, and they put the reader in the shoes of people whose normal, peaceful lives suffered the sudden and horrifying shock of a criminal attack. You

will also see clearly that neither police nor the courts can offer much protection.

One story is about the Stanton family in Ohio. A man with a grudge against the world set out on a killing spree. His first three victims included a small child. Then he tried to kill a former supervisor, but the supervisor, though wounded, managed to retrieve a rifle from under his bed and the killer fled.

The Stanton family got a call that the man, who had long ago once stalked Mrs. Stanton, could be on the way. Stanton immediately gathered his four young children and wife to flee. He kept them in the kitchen and went outside to make sure it was safe. There was the killer in the driveway, holding his pistol and wearing a bulletproof vest.

Stanton hustled his family back into the kitchen, instructing the children to lie flat. The killer came to the back door, fired through it and then kicked it open, spraying bullets into the kitchen. Stanton took careful aim with his .45 auto and fired. The first shot missed, but the second one

struck the killer and despite his vest, staggered him backward. He fell off the porch and fled.

Later the police arrested him, bruised and bleeding beneath the vest. Convicted of four murders, he was sentenced to death. Doug Stanton said it best in an interview after the incident:

"People are quick to espouse the virtues of gun restrictions. They say if it saves one life, it will be worth it. Because the Stanton family had a gun, six lives were saved. Had there been restrictions on gun ownership, the Stantons would be dead. This is a fact, not a hypothetical situation."

The story of a 100-pound divorcee who had to fight for her life against a 200-pound invader, in broad daylight in her own home in an upper-middle-class neighborhood, will raise the hairs on your neck.

He slashed her face with a box cutter, knocked out four of her teeth and shattered her face so that one eye was knocked out of its socket. The only thing that saved her was a .25 caliber pistol. She managed to put four bullets in the guy,

and he finally bled to death before he could kill her.

Her assailant has been arrested 30 times, sent to prison and released three times. So much for the protection of the law.

Perhaps the scariest of the stories is that of a family who found themselves at the mercy of a serial killer who tied the husband up in the garage and bound the wife to a bed. He alternated between the two, torturing them with a knife. He had bashed the husband in the head and stabbed him in the chest.

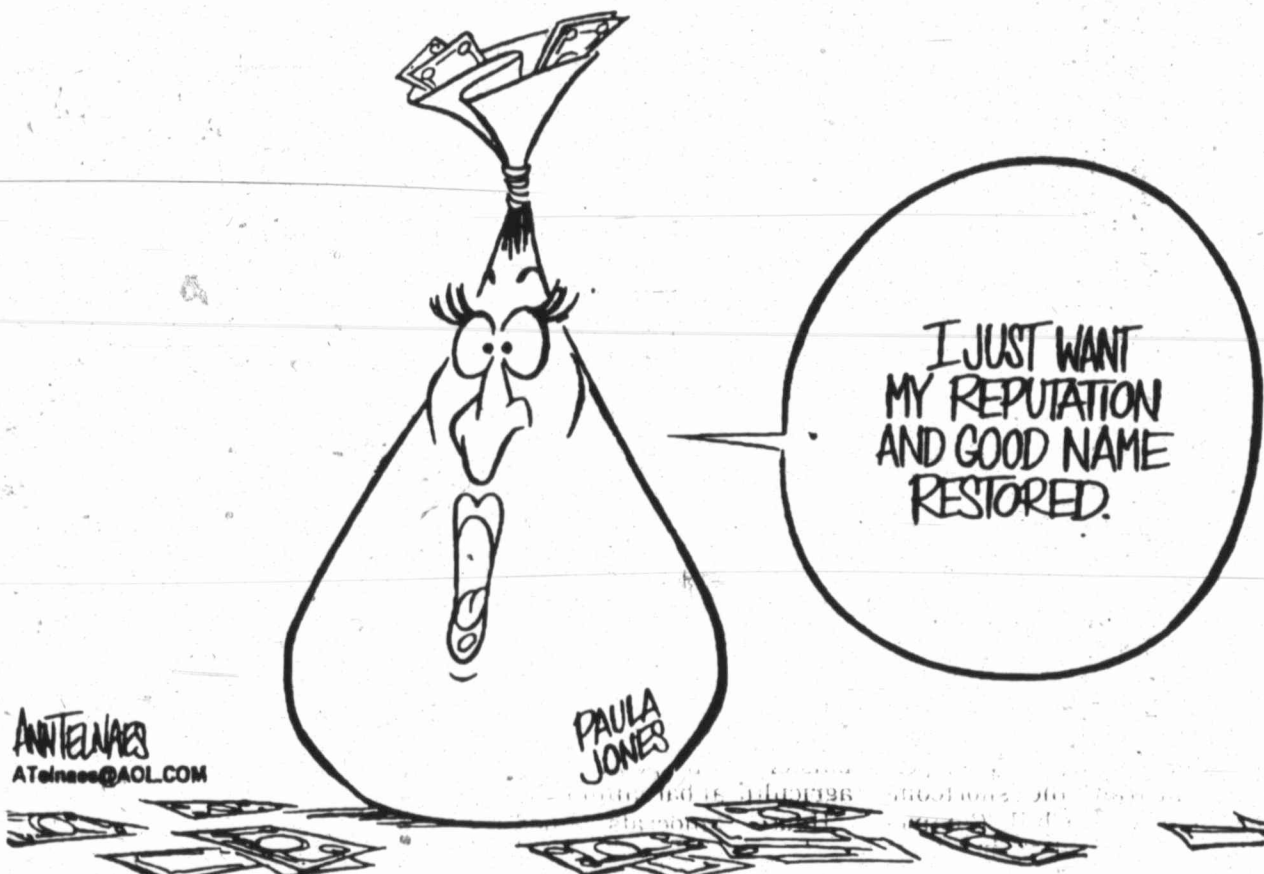
The assailant, whom they would later learn had already murdered 10 people, worked in the same store that the wife did. The husband, though severely wounded, managed to free himself and shot the guy with one bullet from an antique rifle. Then he beat the guy with the barrel and the stock, finally killing him.

Trust me, this book is an exciting read, and the 14 stories are true. It'll make a believer in the Second Amendment out of any sensible person.

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Anchored by a major appliance

My cousin Donna and I recently spent a pleasant evening in the laundromat. Donna had on order a part for a broken washing machine, and meanwhile her family's dirty clothes had grown into an Everest-sized pile.

I came along to help fold sheets. There was not a crowd, and the food wasn't bad. The homey smells of Clorox and soap were conducive to good conversation.

All in all, the laundromat was not a bad place to kill a night. It beat TV. But the visit did remind me of when I bought my first washing machine 25 years ago. Buying a washing machine really put me through the wringer.

There was something so adult, so permanent about that pivotal purchase. At the time I counted it among the crises of my life. Every time the machine changed cycles, I went into a funk. I sighed at Spin and cried for lost youth on Rinse. That used \$100 washing machine was hard on dreams.

I would never live on a communal farm and spend my days

plaiting daisy wreaths, or join the Peace Corps, or sail around the world in a homemade yacht. I would never bike cross-country or blow from youth hostel to youth hostel in the south of France. The die was cast. I owned a washing machine.

I was at the sober, biblical point in life where you put away childish things and commence to sorting the colors and whites. I was anchored by a Major Appliance.

You might say I was spooked by a change in cycles. I didn't say any of this aloud the other night, though. Donna, a teacher, was making cheerful conversation about her day in school. (Donna looks on the bright side so often she needs implanted sunglasses.) And her oldest, Justin, was yo-yoing in the laundromat aisle, oblivious to all dark thoughts. (Yes, yo-yos are back in pockets and style.)

I was the only one plunged into a melancholy meditation on how fast life passes. One year you host a soul full of wanderlust, the next you are satisfied with a year's subscription to National Geographic. One day most of your life is before you, the next day the lion's share is behind.

You wait to hear from the college of your choice one moment, plan your retirement the next.

But if I were realistic with my reminiscing, that washing-machine purchase should never have been so alarming.

It would be, after all, another decade before Jimmy and I could afford the dryer to go with it. For years we washed our clothes, hung them on the shower rod and pointed a big fan in their direction.

It sure didn't seem romantic at the time, wearing damp dresses, or drying off with towels stiff as sandpaper. It was a royal nuisance.

In retrospect, those were wonderful days, basic and untethered. Everything we owned - except the washing machine - would fit in a U-Haul trailer, the better to pull it on down the road. In reality, it was a little scary, a hand-to-mouth existence that hung on the hope Rupert Murdoch wouldn't buy the newspaper we worked for and force yet another move. But, boy, did that diet of dried vegetables keep us thin.

I fought the urge to pull Justin close by his yo-yo string and tell him to savor the moment. A dull night in a laundromat with his mother and cousin might someday seem mystical, or at least meaningful.

"It might not be your idea of fun right now," I could say, "but wait'll this memory gets some age on it."

But I didn't burden the boy. The sheets were dry, and the blue jeans needed another dose of quarters.

All three of us folded furiously, and then carried clean clothes into a fine, fall night that was going fast.



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Gingrich faces battle in re-election bid

WASHINGTON (AP) — There is sufficient Republican opposition to House Speaker Newt Gingrich's leadership to deny him a new term, a GOP colleague said today.

Rep. Matt Salmon of Arizona, who was elected Tuesday to a third term, said at least seven Republican members of the House will not vote to re-elect Gingrich as speaker. "There may be as many as 30 or 40," he said on NBC's "Today." "I know there are at least seven."

As a result of Tuesday's voting, the GOP majority in the House was reduced to 223-211, with one independent who usually votes with Democrats. Loss of seven GOP votes could mean the end of Gingrich's speaker-

ship. The Georgian, as the highest-ranking elected Republican in the land, is getting a major share of the blame for the party's disappointing showing Tuesday. Already, Rep. Bob Livingston of Louisiana, who chairs the House Appropriations Committee, is canvassing fellow Republicans to see whether he could be elected speaker.

Why blame Gingrich, who is credited with engineering the GOP takeover of Congress in 1994? Salmon was asked.

"Four years ago we won the Super Bowl," Salmon said. "We haven't had a winning season since. We've got to change coaches or we'll lose our fran-

chise." Livingston's spokesman said the lawmaker had not yet decided whether to challenge Gingrich. But even Gingrich's fellow Georgian, Rep. John Linder, who chairs the campaign panel whose goal is to elect Republicans to the House, predicted the speaker will be challenged.

The Democratic pickup of five seats marked the first time since 1934 that the party in power in the White House added seats in the House in a midterm election.

Gingrich spent part of Thursday reaching out to members of the rank and file as he sought to firm up backing for a third term as the leader of the

Republican majority. "The members have been almost wholly personally supportive," said spokeswoman Christina Martin, who added firmly that the Georgia Republican would seek a third term as speaker.

Livingston was Gingrich's choice to become Appropriations Committee chairman in 1995, when Livingston jumped over two senior members after the Republicans gained power. In addition, partially at the speaker's urging, Livingston abandoned plans to retire at the end of the current term in order to prepare for a run for speaker if Gingrich decided to run for president.

GOP picks Philadelphia to host 2000 convention

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Democrats and Republicans sipped champagne together after the GOP picked Philadelphia to host its 2000 national convention, which may pump \$300 million into the city.

"It's an indication of just how far the city has come in the last half decade. Every Philadelphian — Democrat, Republican, independent — should be very proud tonight," Mayor Edward Rendell, a Democrat, said Thursday.

The GOP decision ended a yearlong push by Philadelphia's Democratic and Republican politicians to get the two major parties to hold their 2000 conventions in the City of Brotherly Love.

The GOP selection committee recommended Philadelphia over Indianapolis, New Orleans, New York and San Antonio. "I guess it's fair to say we're no longer a footnote between New York and Washington, D.C.," said Rendell — sporting a tie with the Republican elephant image — as he attended a victory party with Gov. Tom Ridge and Sen. Arlen Specter, both Republicans. An organizer for one overlooked city did not play the role of the gracious loser.

"We offered more money, the best possible facility, a city of tomorrow, and a committed Republican mayor," said Mitch Daniels, a member of Indianapolis' organizing committee. "They picked less money, a mediocre facility, a city of long ago and a Democratic mayor."

The convention will be held in the First Union Center, which can seat up to 21,000 and was designed with television appearances in mind.

Ridge said that by selecting Philadelphia, Republicans were taking their message to urban Northeast areas not traditionally supportive of the GOP.

The Republicans' 1996 convention in San Diego generated an estimated \$160 million for the city. Philadelphia officials expect up to \$300 million in revenue from the thousands expected to show up from July 29 to Aug. 5, 2000.

The city has hosted eight political conventions, including the first Republican convention in 1856. The city last hosted a convention in 1948, when both Republicans and Democrats met here to nominate Thomas Dewey and Harry Truman.

White House weighs response to Hyde letter

WASHINGTON (AP) — As a congressional subcommittee prepares to consider what constitutes grounds for impeachment, more than 400 legal scholars are issuing a report saying the case against President Clinton falls short.

Republicans plan to counter at Monday's hearing of the Judiciary Committee's Constitution subcommittee with their own scholars endorsing the impeachment inquiry.

Nineteen scholars are listed as witnesses to debate the what the Founding Fathers meant

when they wrote that "high crimes and misdemeanors" would be grounds for impeachment.

Democrats requested the hearing, saying the Republican-controlled committee should decide what constitutes an impeachable offense before investigating Clinton's conduct in the Monica Lewinsky matter or other charges probed by Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr.

One of the Democratic witnesses, Georgetown University law professor Susan Low Bloch, was releasing a letter today

signed by 400 legal academicians arguing that Clinton's behavior does not warrant impeachment.

"The lower the threshold for impeachment, the weaker the president," they wrote to committee members. "If the president could be removed for any conduct of which Congress disapproved, this fundamental element of our democracy — the president's independence from Congress — would be destroyed."

Several Republican witnesses were expected to counter that

argument with one of their own: Congress cannot allow a president to remain in the White House office who has displayed a pattern of behavior that makes him unfit for office.

"The constitution itself shows that (the) framers would have always regarded lying under oath as a serious matter ... (that) warrants consideration of impeachment," GOP witness John O. McGinnis, a Yeshiva University law professor, says in remarks prepared for Monday's hearing.

Parties differ on changes in farm policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 1996 Freedom to Farm Act will see no major changes when Congress returns in January, Republicans say, disputing Democrats' claims that Tuesday's elections gave them more leverage on agriculture.

"It doesn't appear to me the cast of persons who might deal with the questions has changed," Sen. Dick Lugar, R-Ind., chairman of the Senate Agriculture Committee, said Thursday. "It is not clear to me why the election results would lead one to anticipate a marked change in policy."

The only realignment on an Agriculture Committee is in the House, where Rep. Larry Combest, R-Texas, becomes

chairman in place of retired Rep. Bob Smith, R-Ore. But Combest said Democrats should expect no major role reversals: "In terms of major change, I don't think that's going to occur."

Democrats have expressed interest in changing the GOP-crafted farm bill, which ended decades of government price-support safety nets while giving farmers the freedom to plant what they want.

Democrats say this year's farm crisis, with farm income anticipated to drop by 16 percent, illustrate the shortcomings of the farm bill. Commodity prices are at their lowest level in memory due to a worldwide grain glut.

Although Congress passed a \$7 billion farm aid package last month, Republicans repeatedly thwarted Democratic attempts to restore price supports.

Lugar and Combest said they will try to improve crop insurance, which Republicans envisioned two years ago as a replacement for disaster aid.

"Crop insurance would take a major overhaul," Combest said. "It will provide the safety net if it's adequate."

Still, many Democrats wagered the elections would bolster their position at the agricultural bargaining table.

House Democrats gained five seats overall Tuesday to whittle their disadvantage to 223-211. The Senate remains unchanged

Remains of U.S. servicemen returned home

PANMUNJOM, Korea (AP) — Skeletal remains believed to be those of nine U.S. servicemen killed during the Korean War were returned today from North Korea.

American and other U.N. officers saluted as the aluminum caskets changed hands in this border village inside the demilitarized zone that separates the two Koreas.

Today's transfer marked the largest number of remains to be recovered from any single search operation.

The remains were unearthed during the past three weeks by

a joint U.S.-North Korean team operating along the Chongchon River, about 100 miles north of the North Korean capital Pyongyang.

Several of the remains were believed to come from the 25th Regiment of the 24th Infantry Division, which was made up of black soldiers, said Robert L. Jones, deputy assistant secretary of defense for prisoners of war and missing personnel affairs.

"They overcame great hardship and prejudice and faced the horrors of combat. The guns of war have fallen silent today,

and they are returning home," Jones said.

North Korea began repatriating American remains in 1990. In 1996, it began allowing U.S. forensic experts to search for remains in its territory, assisted by North Korean officials.

The effort is part of an attempt to discover the fate of the 8,100 servicemen still missing from the 1950-53 Korean War. In addition to those missing, more than 50,000 American soldiers were killed.

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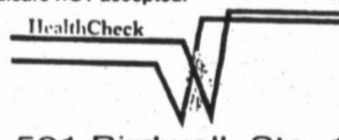


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Car bomb explodes in crowded Jerusalem market

Israel's Cabinet suspends start-up of peace accord

JERUSALEM (AP) — A suicide car bomb exploded today in a Jerusalem market crowded with Israelis shopping for the Sabbath. The blast killed two and wounded 21, and prompted Israel's Cabinet to suspend implementation of a new peace accord with the Palestinians.

The Islamic militant group Hamas, which has been trying to sabotage the peace accord, claimed responsibility for the

9:45 a.m. (2:45 a.m. EST) attack in the Mahane Yehuda market, police said. Israel TV said the two dead were the assailants.

Palestinian negotiators accused Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of political blackmail for holding up the agreement that was to give the Palestinians another 13 percent of the West Bank.

In the attack, a red Fiat drove slowly toward the main intersection at the entrance of Mahane Yehuda, smoke coming out of the hood and windows. "People started to shout 'car on fire,'" said Yair Cohen, a bus company employee who was buying cookies.

A series of explosions went off inside the car and flames shot 10 feet into the air. Shoppers fled, screaming, as black smoke engulfed the area.

The force of the blast turned the car into a mass of twisted metal. Israel radio said two suitcases filled with explosive materials were found nearby, suggesting that the blast had gone off prematurely and that the assailants had planned to set off a more powerful explosion.

A charred, dismembered corpse, covered by tires, lay several meters away. Streams of soot-black water ran in the street. Another bare-legged body lay in the street, face

down, with a pool of blood below the head. Rescue workers covered the body with sodden pieces of cardboard box and plastic shopping bags.

"There was hysteria, people were running," said Eliad Duan, an Israeli border policeman who was patrolling the market and was lightly injured. Soldiers and police wearing plastic gloves held back the crowds. "It's dangerous — stay back!" they shouted.

Two policemen led away an elderly woman who gripped a blue plastic shopping bag filled with groceries. One officer put his arm around a young woman who was sobbing.

One heavy-set woman, apparently in shock, climbed into an ambulance, weeping. Three paramedics talked to her, persuading her that she did not need medical treatment, and after a few moments she climbed out of the vehicle again.

Just a few meters from the site of today's explosion, two Islamic militants had blown themselves up in July 1997, killing themselves and 16 shoppers.

After today's blast, shoppers a block away went about their business. One young woman said: "We can't stop with what we are doing when this hap-

pens."

The explosion went off shortly after the Israeli Cabinet had gathered about a mile away, at Netanyahu's office, to discuss the peace agreement under which Israel is to withdraw from 13 percent of the West Bank over 12 weeks in exchange for a Palestinian campaign against Islamic militants.

The agreement cannot be implemented until it is ratified by the Cabinet, and Netanyahu adviser David Bar-Illan said at the start of the session that he had expected a vote later today.

The session broke off when word of the attack reached the ministers.

Spain approves request to extradite Pinochet

MADRID, Spain (AP) — The Spanish government today approved a request for former Chilean dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet to be extradited from Britain to face charges of genocide, terrorism and torture.

Foreign Minister Abel Matutes, speaking after a cabinet meeting, said he expected the request to reach the British Interior Ministry on Tuesday.

Judge Baltasar Garzon, whose warrant against the 82-year-old Pinochet led to his arrest in London on Oct. 16, had passed on a formal extradition request to the Spanish government this week.

Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar's government has criticized Garzon's probe into

human rights crimes committed in Chile under Pinochet's 1973-1990 rule and in Argentina, saying he lacks jurisdiction.

Aznar and other government officials had said that they would pass on an extradition request to Britain if they received one, calling the affair a matter for courts to decide.

"We understand that this is a delicate matter which must be treated with prudence," Matutes said today. "But most importantly it is a judicial matter. We have to respect the law and the decisions of our judges, whether it pleases the government or not."

The approval by the Spanish Cabinet leaves Pinochet's fate in Britain's hands.

The English High Court ruled that Pinochet's arrest was illegal because he is entitled to immunity as a former head of state. A five-judge panel from Britain's House of Lords is hearing an appeal.

If the panel rejects the High Court decision, Pinochet could be handed over to Spanish authorities. Should it uphold the earlier decision, the former dictator will most likely be free to fly home.

The hearing continues Monday and is expected to last at least through Tuesday. It was not clear how soon the judges would announce their ruling.

Spain's National Court ruled last week that the Spanish justice system does in fact have

jurisdiction to try crimes like those cited against Pinochet.

The court said there are grounds to try the former dictator for genocide because he allegedly tried to eliminate an entire group of people and that under Spanish law, courts can prosecute genocide no matter where it occurred.

An official Chilean government report says more than 3,000 people died or disappeared under Pinochet's rule as he tried to crush a perceived communist threat.

Pinochet cannot be tried in Chile because he has immunity as a senator-for-life, a job he created in a constitution he guided to enactment before stepping down in 1990.

Aid to Central America grows; Residents coping with disaster

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — Aid workers struggle to reach survivors of Hurricane Mitch, who are in danger of dying from starvation and disease in the wake of the storm that officials estimate killed more than 10,000 people.

Foreign aid and pledges of assistance poured into Central America on Thursday, but damage to roads and bridges reduced the amount of supplies reaching hundreds of isolated communities to a trickle — only as much as can be dropped from a helicopter, when the helicopters can get through.

In the Aguan River Valley in northern Honduras, flood waters have receded, leaving a carpet of mud over hundreds of acres. In many nearby villages, residents have gone days without potable water or food.

A 7-month-old baby died in the Aguan Valley village of Olvido after three days without food. Residents feared more children would die.

"The worst thing, the saddest thing, are the children. The children are suffering, even dying," said Olvido parish priest Cecilio Escobar Gallardo.

A score of cargo aircraft landed Thursday at the normally quiet Toncontin airport in the Honduran capital of Tegucigalpa, delivering aid

from Mexico, the United States, Japan and Argentina.

President Clinton requested a "global relief effort" to help Central America and boosted U.S. emergency aid to \$70 million. Clinton is dispatching a delegation next week led by Tipper Gore, wife of Vice President Al Gore, to deliver some of the supplies destined for Honduras, Nicaragua, El Salvador and Guatemala.

Mrs. Gore was to be in Central America on Tuesday and Wednesday, accompanied by Brian Atwood, head of the U.S. Agency for International Development, and several members of Congress. First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton also added Nicaragua and Honduras to a trip she plans to the region beginning Nov. 16.

Mexico, meanwhile, announced that it will increase food aid to the region from 700 tons to 1,300 tons, in addition to providing medicine, helicopters, cargo planes and soldiers for relief operations.

A Mexican military rescue squad pored over a 200-foot rock avalanche on the Choluteca River in Tegucigalpa with search dogs, looking for victims buried when dozens of homes disappeared a week ago. Neighbors heard screams that night, but residents said rescuers recovered no one Thursday.

Security Council expresses astonishment at Iraqi decision

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Security Council members are still divided on whether to authorize military force to ensure Saddam Hussein complies with their demand that Iraq cooperate with U.N. weapons inspectors.

All 15 council members, however, were united Thursday in expressing their astonishment that Iraq would provoke a crisis over arms inspections just after the council outlined what it said was a road map toward lifting crippling sanctions imposed on Iraq eight years ago. The council unanimously passed a resolution insisting Iraq cooperate with inspectors.

Britain and the United States — who have threatened military force — claimed the resolution reaffirmed their right to act. Others, including Russia, China and France, stressed that only the council can authorize military strikes to maintain peace and security in the world.

Russian Ambassador Sergey Lavrov warned that any attempt to use unilateral force against Iraq would have "highly unpredictable and dangerous consequences" for Middle East peace and future U.N. efforts to monitor Baghdad's weapons programs.

"The way to overcome this new crisis lies, I think, exclu-

sively in political and diplomatic efforts," he said.

On Oct. 30, the council detailed how it would carry out a "comprehensive review" of Iraq's compliance with U.N. resolutions — a move that could heighten momentum for removal of sanctions imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990, sparking the Persian Gulf War.

A day later, Iraq announced it was severing all contact with the U.N. Special Commission, which carries out inspections, blaming the United States for blocking a clearer indication of when the sanctions could be eased.

Gambia's U.N. ambassador, Ismaila Jagne, told the council Thursday that his delegation was "flabbergasted" by Iraq's decision.

"This constitutes yet another slap in the face, especially at this time when the Security Council was in the process of fine-tuning a possible concept for a comprehensive review of sanctions imposed on Iraq," he said.

Several council members suggested that Iraq could have misunderstood their intention to carry out the review and lift sanctions if Iraq was found to have destroyed its weapons of mass destruction.

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The fall for some

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The Fall of the year is a tough time for lots of folks.

When the days grow shorter, and the light begins to dim a bit, some folks go into a time of depression called "Seasonal Affective Disorder" (SAD), and they start to feel melancholy. Or you



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may be like me; I've had several loved ones pass away in the Fall of the year, and I have what some counselors call an "anniversary reaction", remembering those days of grief in years past when my loved ones left this world, and I could no longer talk to them. Another reason some folks feel a bit blue in the Fall is because when the colder days come into our lives, we pull back, and, hermitlike, we withdraw, and seek warmth and security away from the time of warmer and happier days. As the year heads toward its end, the coming of winter is a symbolic reminder that we, too, will one day end our lives. All of these things can make autumn a gloomy time for some.

And yet I always love to hear someone say, "I love the Fall of the year!" The changing of the leaves, the smell of wood smoke from chimneys, and the promise of cooler weather is upon us! It's a beautiful time of the year! People who talk like that fill us with hope and renewal.

In the book of Ecclesiastes, in paraphrase, it says, "To everything, turn, turn, turn--there is a season-- and a time for every purpose under heaven." And thus, there is a purpose for the Fall as well.

Fall is a time of harvest, a time of summing up, a time to remember that God is with us in all things, and that He is still in control. And autumn is a time to count all the good things that have come our way all through the rest of the year. Perhaps that is why we reserve this season for what we call Thanksgiving.

We can give thanks to God for the good things he has done for us. Oh, I know many of us have had tragedies and bad things happen, but we have not been alone in the struggle. God has seen us through. And if we are blessed, we have had loving friends and family members with us as we have passed through the darker valleys. And many of us have had truly good things happen--we have handled challenges and climbed mountains in life, and seen people we love smile, and we have known deep in our bones that God really does care. And at our deepest level, we have known that God loves us so much he sent us a Savior in Jesus Christ to lead us through this life and to carry us into eternity...if we are a person of faith.

Autumn colors often are gold. We see gold in the leaves of trees and in the color of the grass. And that golden color should remind us that we should be thankful. Because He loves us, we are not alone. Death has no power over those who follow Jesus. A tragic past can be put behind us and we can see a green, fertile Spring on up ahead where troubles are forgotten and new life can begin again.

Go with God through the Fall of the year. Give him thanks for the treasures he holds out. And instead of feeling old, you'll feel gold, as gold as God's goodness can be!

Ed Williamson is the pastor of the First United Methodist Church

CLUB NEWS

Tall Talkers Toastmasters' Club of Big Spring had its meeting on Oct. 21, at 6:30 a.m. at 606 Johnson Street.

The words of the day were optimal and elicit which means to beat, draw out by discussion. The sentence used was "The psychiatrist was able to elicit the patient's true feelings. The optimal time to make announcements is just before the close of a business meeting." Toastmaster was Bailey Anderson, and topic master was Pam Welch. Best table topic was Greg Parde on the Permian Building. Best speaker was Lynn Moody on US Flight Academy, and best evaluator was Joelle Ford.

Tall Talkers Toastmasters meet weekly on Wednesdays, August to June at 6:30 a.m.

Coahoma Lions Club
At the regular meeting of the Coahoma Lions Club on Monday, Oct. 26, Lion Warren Wallace was given a plaque honoring him as the Lion's Club Lion/Citizen of the Year. Also Lion Stan Griffin received a chevron in recognition of his 30 years as a Lion.

The Coahoma lions will participate in the upcoming Fall Festival hosted by the Coahoma

Elementary School on Nov. 7. The club will sponsor the Lions Jail. In other business, the club decided to make a contribution toward signs to be erected by the City of Coahoma recognizing the Coahoma Bulldogettes as the 1998 Class 2A State Champs in softball. Plans are also going ahead for the annual Christmas in the Park.

During the first two weeks in November, the Lions Clubs in Howard County will be administering eyeglass screening to all kindergarten students. The screenings aim to identify children who may need eyeglasses and recommend that the parents take their children to see an optometrist when such a need is identified. The Coahoma Lions will be at Coahoma Elementary School on a date to be announced.

The Coahoma Lions purposed in August to contribute to the Texas Lions camp. The camp, located near Kerrville, is for handicapped and diabetic children ages 7-16. Children who are hearing impaired, visually impaired, have amputated limbs, birth defects, cerebral palsy, arthritis, muscular dystrophy, cancer, heart conditions and other handicaps are eligible to attend. A separate

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Abundant Grace Family Church

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Robert and Rosie Rivera are the pastors of Abundant Grace. They are graduates of Rhema Bible Training Center in Tulsa, Okla.

They pioneered and pastored Living Word Bible Church in Lamesa before coming to Big Spring. They are also graduates of Kingsway Missionary Language Institute of McAllen.

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First Presbyterian Church

The First Presbyterian Church announces its second annual Matthew's Mexican Market, this Sunday directly following worship in the fellowship hall. Traditional Mexican dancing, enchilada dinner (\$3/plate), and traditional Mexican music provide a festive atmosphere for this church-wide stewardship experience. The Market provides members with a significant Christian alternative to the contemporary gift giving demands of the Christmas season.

The Market enables members to give, in honor of friends and family, gifts that bring help and hope to those in need along the U.S.-Mexico border. It allows us to carry the spirit of giving to our church family while ministering to those who lack spiritual and material blessings. All gifts and proceeds are distributed through the Presbyterian Border Ministry.

First United Methodist Church

"How Much Proof Do You Need?" is Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry. The message is about understanding the truth of God. Worship is at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m. Our home page is <http://www.xroadstx.com/dove>.

Do you have teenagers who need guidance in morality and a friendly group of other

teenagers to have as healthy friends? We have a youth group called "Common Ground" led by our full-time youth minister, Vergil Feinsod. On Sunday evenings, mid-high age young people meet in the Partee building at 5 p.m. and senior high young people meet at 7 p.m. to learn about Jesus and His way. Senior high Bible study meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday night. To learn more, call Mr. Feinsod at 267-6394.

There is also the children's vocal and handbell choirs led by John and Denise Ross and a single adults class on Sunday mornings.

The First United Methodist Church has several Sunday 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.

Saturday, Nov. 7 and 14, at 9 a.m., the Living Christmas Tree rehearsals begin. Everyone is invited to participate; call the church office for times, place and questions. Saturday at 7:30 p.m., the church will host a BISID children's choir, selected from the fourth and fifth grades of all elementary schools.

This will be followed by the Chancel Choir and BSHS Meistersingers, in conjunction with the Texas Tech Lone Star Brass, presenting the John Rutter "Gloria." The final presentation will combine all previously mentioned choirs along with the Bauer Hand Bell Choir.

On Sunday, during the 10:50 a.m. service, the Chancel Choir and BSHS Meistersingers, in conjunction with the Texas Tech Lone Star Brass, will present "Gloria." Three high school soloists will be highlighted: Alicia Phifer, Laura Davis and Andria Fleming.

The Divorce Support Group will be on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the Garrett Hall and a nursery will be provided. Call the church office at 267-6394 for more information.

Birdwell Lane Baptist Church

The Birdwell Lane Baptist Church will host the Joe Whitten Prison Ministries "His Children" this Sunday morning at 10:50. Each year a group of college students are asked to devote a year of their lives to the ministry of Christian music to the inmates of prisons across this country. This year's group is among the best.

Employing a wide range of styles, the group has been a blessing to thousands and has been instrumental in bringing about changed lives to those to whom they have ministered.

They have received many commendations from the American Correctional Association and are regulars at their annual convention.

Everyone is invited to hear these outstanding young people as they minister in song.

Christian Meeting

...in these times of increasing troubles in the world and in our own country? GOD

CLUB NEWS

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You are invited: to come together to ENTER INTO GOD'S REST; to take your part in the Body of Jesus-the Christ-THE ANOINTED SON OF GOD; to see His whole body as Jesus brings us together in Him-to REST IN HIM, to be in His Peace, to be secure in His love for you, to know His plans for you and those you love, while living in His Kingdom yet in the world you live in today and tomorrow.

Sam Solven will be speaking about all of this at the Dora Roberts Community Center at 7 pm Friday and Saturday, Nov. 20 and 21.

Sam was born on the island of St. Vincent in the South Caribbean. He accepted Christ at the age of 14, began preaching at age 15 and establishing churches by the age of 18. Sam was a lawyer and worked in church reconciliation. He and his wife and two teenage children live in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

God's gift of leadership in Sam has resulted in opportunities to minister the Kingdom of God in Mexico, West Texas, Colorado and New Mexico. He is also currently presenting God's word clearly about the Kingdom and Christ's body in the world today over Prime Time Christian Broadcasting television network stations covering West Texas and part of New Mexico.

Come and enter into the fellowship of the body of Christ at 7 p.m., Nov. 20 and Saturday, Nov. 21 at the Dora Roberts Community Center at the lake and Tennis Center. It is located on the West Side of Highway 87, South of Big Spring-just across from the New Day's Inn.

For more information call 263-3168 in Big Spring or (915)398-5461 in Lomax, (915)570-6450 in Midland.

First Baptist Church



Pastor Eddie Tubbs and the congregation of First Baptist Church would like you to attend their showing of this outstanding new film from the Billy Graham Evangelist Association. "THE RIDE" will be shown this Sunday evening, Nov. 8, at 6 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Admission is free and so is the popcorn.

St. Mary's Episcopal Church

The Pastoral Care Committee will have a meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 11, at 5:30 p.m. in the church office.

St. Mary's Convention

Planning Committee will meet on Thursday, Nov. 12 at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

Attention Kids' Club members! Your meeting is Wednesday, Nov. 11 4:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church.

Church Women United

Church Women United will meet Saturday, Nov. 7 at 10 a.m. at North Birdwell Lane United Methodist Church to celebrate World Community Day.

The theme for the celebration is "The World Within Our Neighborhoods" and will be an invitation to look at the world through the "windows" provided by stories set to music. We can call these persons sacred storytellers, whose prophetic voices are shaping our understanding of the ways that God is moving and transforming life all over this planet.

Those participating in the program are Viola Merritt, scripture, soloists, Jacque Mauch and Jeanie Warren, offering, Holly and Alison Platte and pianist Florence Crowell.

Jim Pope will be the speaker and also soloist. Madeline Boadle, President of Church Women United will conduct a short Memorial Service for Venora Williams and will also act a leader of the Celebration.

All women of all denominations are welcome to attend.

First Christian Church

On Monday, Nov. 9, at 10 a.m., the ladies of First Christian Church are to bring their rubber gloves and give a few hours of their time to help freshen up the kitchen before the bazaar scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 14. All help will be greatly appreciated! Then on Friday, Nov. 13, the ladies will meet in the fellowship hall at 9 a.m. to set up and decorate for the bazaar.

The bazaar will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the 14th in the fellowship hall of the church located at 911 Goliad. Baked goods will be available as well as handmade crafts and of course, a "White Elephant Sale." Lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The menu consists of homemade chili (with our without beans), all the "trimmings" for making a corn chip pie, a dessert, and drink for \$4.50.

Baptist Temple

Baptist Temple Church will have a Thanksgiving meal after the morning service on Nov. 22. Following the Thanksgiving meal, we will have our fifth Sunday sing.

On Nov. 29, we will have a missionary from Brazil, Robert Hensely, with us in the morning and evening service. Everyone is invited to come worship with us and hear the message from our missionary Bro. Robert.

Baptist Temple is starting a Mother's Day Out Program! It is under way! We started on Nov. 2. The cost is \$8 a day for each child. Call the church office at 267-8287 for more information or to enroll your child.

BOOK INFORMATION

According to recent study by the U.S. Department of Education, only 50 percent of infants and toddlers are routinely read to by their parents. In response, Visa U.S.A. is supporting the national "Read Me a Story" program with a guaranteed \$300,000 contribution.

A new book, "All I Want For Christmas Is..." Letters from Santa's Mailbag, reminds us that Santa is one of many children's first confidants.

Taylor Smith's latest novel "Random Acts," (\$5.99, MIRA Books) is a swift-paced story of secrets and lies among criminals - and those who pursue them.

A new book, "New Fields and Other Stories/On a Child's Death," by Saul Bennett may ring a familiar chord in the heart and soul of anyone who has suffered a loss.

A new book called "Internet in an Hour," offers step-by-step, illustrated instructions on the basics of getting started on the Internet.

To find out more, call DDC Publishing at 800-528-3897.



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS need volunteers to listen to grade school children read one or two mornings a week. Call 264-3600.

COAHOMA ELEMENTARY PTA IS having their fall festival Saturday, Nov. 7 from 5:30 to 10 p.m. It will be outside between the elementary school and junior high. For more information call Donna Mansfield at 394-4535 or 267-5701.

THE LAST WORD

Honour follows those who flee it.
Anon

No revenge is more honorable than the one not taken.
Spanish proverb

I could not love thee, dear, so much Loved I not honour more.
Richard Lovelace

CLUB

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camp for insulin dependent diabetic children is also offered. There is no cost to the child's family. The Camp is supported by gifts from Texas Lions clubs and other caring people. Any Lion and Lions Club can sponsor one or more campers. A parent of a child in need of sponsor can contact a member of your local Lions Club.

Howard County Republican Club

The Howard County Republican Club, an organization for both men and women, will meet Tuesday, Nov. 10, at 5:30 p.m. in the Howard County Courthouse, second floor West end.

Green Thumb Garden Club

Green Thumb Garden Club met Tuesday, Nov. 3, in the home of Elia Fernandez. Margarita Durand-Hollis was co-hostess.

Twelve members were present. Pam Stevens from Canada was welcomed as a guest.

Ramona Harris presented program reading from her collection of original poetry covering her impressions of family, friends, early childhood and life in general in West Texas.

Club voted to make donations to American Cancer Society and to Christmas Fund of Big Spring State Hospital.

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 1, in the home of Joan Lafond.

Christians victimized in alleged investment scams

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — With his wholesome good looks, his talk of Christian ministry and his mother in tow, Jonathan Strawder didn't take long to sell Diane and Frank Smith on an investment opportunity that promised an ungodly 360 percent return in a year.

In fact, more than 2,100 devout Christians across the country apparently gave Strawder and his Sovereign Ministries International \$11 million to \$14 million in less than a year.

Investigators now suspect it was all scam, and Strawder, 25, is under investigation on suspicion of fraud and selling unregistered securities.

Strawder's investors were convinced that not only would they get huge returns on their investments, but with the profits, churches would be built in Kenya and Poland, poor students would have their education paid for and other Christian ministries would get donations.

The Smiths were told their newfound wealth would enable them to fulfill a long-held dream of ministering to recently released inmates. The Orlando couple gave Strawder more than \$47,000. They have gotten back only \$6,000.

Investigators from the Florida state comptroller's office shut down Sovereign Ministries in March, claiming it was a Ponzi scheme, in which early participants are paid with funds invested by later ones.

"It has been very destructive to people's lives. This guy did a lot of horrible things to a lot of good, trusting people," said Mrs. Smith, who runs a tree surgery business with her husband. But she added: "God have mercy on his soul. You know, as Christians, we have to forgive."

RELIGION BRIEFS

Catholics to say Holocaust prayers with Jews

NEW YORK (AP) — The archbishop of Paris says the archbishop of New York has accepted an invitation to pray with Jews next year on Yom Hashoah, Holocaust remembrance day.

The Jewish-born Cardinal Jean-Marie Lustiger, whose mother died at Auschwitz, says he extended the invitation to Cardinal John O'Connor "in the spirit of penance and an act of faith in the Lord of the living and the dead."

The commemoration would take place April 13.

Lustiger was in New York where he and Rene-Samuel Sirat, chief rabbi of France, were honored for their work toward interreligious understanding.

Pope John Paul II has made improving relations between the two religions a cornerstone of his papacy.

Tensions were heightened with the recent canonization of Edith Stein, an Orthodox Jew who became a Catholic nun and died at Auschwitz. Jewish leaders said Stein died because she was a Jew, and saw the Catholic church as laying claim to her martyrdom.

Moravians consecrate first woman bishop

LITITZ, Pa. (AP) — Kay Ward, the first woman bishop of the worldwide Moravian Church, has been consecrated. As bishop, Ward will serve as a pastor to fellow clergy and retain her posts as director of continuing education and pro-

fessor of pastoral theology at the Moravian Theological Seminary in Bethlehem, Pa.

The Moravians claim to be the oldest Protestant denomination, dating their origin to 1457 in Bohemia, now the Czech Republic. The U.S. Moravians, with 38,000 followers, have had women clergy since 1975.

Ward, 56, was an elementary school teacher in Madison, Wis., before entering seminary and was ordained to the clergy in 1979.

U.S. military's only mosque at Norfolk

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — The Norfolk Naval Base is home to the U.S. military's first mosque.

The Masjid al Da'wah, opened a year ago, is a small space in a building that also houses a synagogue and two chapels. For the Navy's Muslims, it's a recognition of Islam's growing presence in the military and an affirmation that they can fulfill duties to both God and country.

"People are very, very proud of this room," said Lt. Malak Ibn Noel, the mosque's imam, or religious leader, and the first Muslim chaplain in Navy history.

The Navy has 725 enlisted Muslims, public affairs officer Paula Keicer said. It does not keep a count of Muslim officers. Most commanders allow Muslims to attend 1 p.m. prayer services on Fridays, the Muslim Sabbath, Noel said.

Attendance varies from seven to 50. On a recent Friday, the faithful included sailors who have immigrated from

Ethiopia, Ghana, Guyana and the Middle East.

"The military wants people to know they support all religions," said Lt. J.G. Tauseef Badar, an industrial hygiene officer. "The military has been very understanding."

Dial-A-Devotion, four minutes of inspiration

LEHIGHTON, Pa. (AP) — Since 1961, volunteers have been recording a four-minute religious message for Dial-A-Devotion, a telephone service for the elderly and shut-ins.

"It gives people a little inspiration," says Mayor Wilbur "Cap" Bauschpiess, one of the volunteers.

On a recent Friday, callers listened to a reading from Luke 18:9: "All who exalt themselves will be humbled; all who are humble shall be exalted." It was followed by a short story extolling the virtues of sincere faith as opposed to pious displays.

The service, which costs organizers \$42 a month, is provided by the Ecumenical Ministry of the Lehigh and Weisport Council of Churches. Organizers don't know how many calls they receive, but the Rev. H. Wilson Scott, who manages the program, said they get feedback "usually when the system goes down."

"Some older folks would call in the middle of night when they woke and would feel lonely," he added. "It's comforting to those who are alone and lonely. They find comfort and strength in the message."

Croatian descendants fight to get their church back from Catholics

STEELTON, Pa. (AP) — For three years, parishioners of a church in this gritty steel town have been fighting with their bishop, contending their Croatian heritage is being undermined by the Catholic diocese's decision to consolidate parishes.

They have picketed the home of Bishop Nicholas Dattilo of Harrisburg, carrying signs that read, "Save Our Parish. Save Your Soul." They have arranged for a Croatian bishop from Bosnia to celebrate Mass without Dattilo's permission. They have celebrated a parish that no longer exists in diocesan eyes.

Tensions escalated in September when the bishop warned in an open letter in the diocese's newspaper, "The Catholic Witness," that the parishioners in the St. Mary's Preservation Society risk "separation" if they do not end their dissent.

"They will no longer be members of the Roman Catholic Church," explained the Rev. T. Ronald Haney, spokesman for the diocese. "They have been absolutely disrespectful, disobedient and they owe the bishop a public act of apology."

Chuck Wilson, a legal expert who helps Catholics who challenge church decisions, considers the threat extreme. "We've handled a lot of parish-closing cases, but I've never seen anything like this, with people being threatened with penalties," said Wilson, director of the St. Joseph's Foundation in San Antonio.

The diocese's canon lawyer, the Rev. William King, acknowledged that the bishop's warning was the start of the long process of excommunication, but he expressed hope that it could be avoided.

"One of the guiding principles in the new laws of the church is to reduce any penalties," he said. "That is essentially why Bishop Dattilo waited 3 years to issue any warning."

The dispute over ethnic ties is in a town with this welcome

sign: "Steelton: Many Countries, One People." The Belgrade Bakery makes Serbian bread and Italian cookies. And there is an Eastern Orthodox church for Macedonian and Bulgarian descendants.

In 1995, the diocese consolidated five ethnic parishes — German, Italian, Irish, Slovenian and Croatian — into Prince of Peace parish. The 81-year-old red-brick Croatian church, formerly known as St. Mary's, was made the parish church.

Before the consolidation, Mass was celebrated in Croatian every other week, with other Masses in English. Some songs at all Masses were sung in Croatian, she said.

Zalek, a second generation Croatian-American, said parishioners want their culture alive in the church, not just for their heritage but for new immigrants and refugees.

Croatia and four other Yugoslavian republics — Bosnia, Slovenia, Macedonia and Herzegovina — declared independence in 1991, separating from Serbia and Montenegro and sparking civil war.

In Pennsylvania, about 78,000 claim Croatian ancestry, including about 3,400 in Dauphin County, where the parish is located.

Unlike a century ago, when waves of Europeans immigrated to America, ethnic parishes today are not always practical. Less money drops into collection plates these days because of dwindling membership, and the church is grappling with a shortage of priests.

In his warning letter, the bishop wrote, "Let me be absolutely clear that there is only one Catholic parish community or congregation in Steelton, and that is the legitimately erected parish of Prince of Peace."

In early October, in an event not sanctioned by the diocese, the group celebrated the parish's 100th anniversary at a local VFW hall with Croatian food and song.

"It is not the excluding attitude of the St. Mary's Preservation Society in rejecting the presence of other ethnic groups in Prince of Peace Parish a form of hatred," he wrote. "no matter what pious platitudes are used to mask their reckless bigotry?"

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All Sunday items are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon.

Birth announcement, engagement, wedding and anniversary forms are available at the Herald office. We will only accept announcements printed on our forms, and we will include only information listed on the forms. There is no charge for these announcements.

Photos to be used with weddings, engagements and anniversaries should be picked up no later than 30 days after publication.

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TODAY: HOCKEY
7 p.m. - at Phoenix Blackhawk Lightning.

IN BRIEF

Softball umpires needed for high school schedule

Fastpitch umpires are currently needed to work softball games throughout West Texas, according to officials with the Permian Basin chapter of the Southwest Softball Umpires Association.

Umpires will be calling high school softball games in Alpine, Andrews, Big Spring, Brady, Coahoma, Colorado City, Eldorado, Fort Stockton, Greenwood, Hermleigh, Kermit, Lamesa, Midland, Monahans, Odessa, Pecos, San Angelo, Snyder, Sonora and Wall.

For more information, call Mack Gipson at 520-5961.

YMCA youth basketball program being revamped

Registration for YMCA youth basketball is currently under way with Program Director Cindy Kincaid saying those who took part in last year's program will see wholesale changes.

The program is being expanded to include seventh- and eighth-grade girls and boys.

Youngsters whose families are not YMCA members will have to purchase basic program memberships for \$15 to participate, but Kincaid said the program will continue to scholarship children from low income families.

The YMCA has also scheduled a basketball camp for boys and girls on the first three Saturdays in December.

Beginning in 1999 the YMCA will be offering a year-round youth sports program including basketball, soccer, t-ball and softball and roller hockey.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Howard College slates mini-basketball camp

Howard College's Hawks and Lady Hawks will conduct a mini-basketball camp from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 22, at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

All proceeds from the camp will benefit the local Special Olympics program.

The camp is open to boys and girls in kindergarten through the sixth grade. The fee will be \$10 per youngster.

Participants should bring tennis shoes and a basketball if they have one.

YMCA swim team adding a beginners program

The Big Spring YMCA will begin adding beginning swimmers to its swim team on Monday.

Practice sessions will be from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

To participate, youngsters 6 years of age and older must be able to swim a length of the pool independently in both the crawl and backstroke.

Regular YMCA swim team practice sessions will still be scheduled from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Tennessee is again No. 1 in women's basketball

There is no suspense over the No. 1 team in women's basketball, and no difference of opinion, either.

Tennessee, winner of 45 straight games and an unprecedented three consecutive national championships, is a unanimous choice for the top spot today in The Associated Press women's pre-season poll.

The Lady Vols, 39-0 last season, received all 42 first-place votes from a national media panel. Louisiana Tech, which lost to Tennessee 93-75 in the national championship game last March, is a solid No. 2.

This is the eighth time in 12 years and the 10th time overall that Tennessee has started the season ranked No. 1.

ON THE AIR

TODAY: HOCKEY

7 p.m. — Detroit Red Wings at Phoenix Coyotes or Chicago Blackhawks at Tampa Bay Lightning, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Steers must handle massive Sweetwater offensive front

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

As Big Spring's Steers head into tonight's regular season finale with a Class 4A football playoffs berth at stake, there's little mystery concerning what to expect from Sweetwater's Mustangs.

Unlike last week, when the Steers had to be prepared for a wide array of offensive passing and rushing options presented by San Angelo Lake View's Chiefs, the Mustangs operate a much more basic attack.

"They like to come right at you ... like to use their size advantage," Steers coach Dwight Butler said. "There's nothing really tricky about what Sweetwater does. They like to run the quarterback option, the sweep, the quarterback fol-

low up the middle and the counter play. "Other than that, they throw a couple

of screens and a sweep pass, but that's about it," he added. "They don't do a lot of things, but what they do they do very well. It's not a matter of figuring out what they're going to do, but it is a matter of stopping them."

"They just line up behind that massive line and dare you to stop them," he added. "Not many have."

Indeed. The primary weapons Sweetwater employs are senior quarterback

Nicholas Bail and junior tailback Willie Amos.

Bail operates the Mustangs' option offense, and Amos, a 6-foot-1, 150-pound speedster who gained 152 yards on 18 carries and scored one touchdown against Andrews last week, is Sweetwater's primary ball carrier.

The key to their success, however, is the play of a talented offensive line that boasts more size than many collegiate football teams can muster.

The Mustangs most certainly have the biggest and most seasoned offensive front the Steers have faced this year with 6-3, 310-pound senior Jay Vargas providing the most beef at the center's position.

But the rest of the offensive line is extremely big, as well. The Mustangs guards, Jeremy Maxwell and Dean

Mayfield both tip the scales at 290 pounds, while tackles Daniel Price and Isaac Gomez weigh in at 270 and 210 pounds, respectively.

Tight end Jared Shelton, a 6-2, 225 pounds, rounds out an offensive front that averages 282 pounds per man.

"When you've got that kind of size, you don't have to be very complex," Butler noted. "You just head everybody up the field and dare people to stop you."

While the Mustangs' defensive unit is not as big, it is still populated with talented athletes, the front four anchored by Shelton at one end's position and 235-pounder Abraham Aguilar at the other.

"If they have a weakness, it's that they're not very quick," Butler explained. "Of course, when you're as big

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Sands, Grady set for showdown

Forsan gunning for playoff berth visiting Junction

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

While many might have expected Sands' Mustangs and Grady's Wildcats to be battling for a six-man football playoff berth when the season started, few could have scripted tonight's showdown in Leporah.

Although one of the two teams will head into the playoffs, while the other gears up for basketball season, nobody could have imagined when the season started that the Mustangs would have an opportunity to win the District 6 championship outright.

But that is the situation as the Mustangs and Wildcats prepare to square off in one of the three Crossroads Country games that have playoff ramifications.

At the same time Sands and Grady begin their showdown, Big Spring's Steers will be vying for a District 5-4A playoff berth in Sweetwater. Thirty minutes later, Forsan's Buffaloes will try to lock up their first playoff appearance since 1986 when they take on Junction's Eagles.

The primary reason few could have imagined the Mustangs would have a chance at wrapping up a District 6 championship tonight was this year's re-alignment that put defending state champion Borden County's Coyotes in the league.

But the Mustangs, who opened the season with five straight losses against Top 10 opponents, pulled off the season's biggest six-man upset a few weeks ago with a 35-34 win over Borden County en route to a 4-0 march in District 6 play and creating the possibility of a three-way tie for the loop's championship.

Grady, which comes into the final game of the regular season with a 5-3 record overall and 3-1 in district play, can forge the three-way tie with a win tonight.

But a point differential tie-breaker puts the Wildcats in a position of having to not only



Forsan quarterback Cade Park (12) rolls out and looks for a receiver on an option play during the Buffs district-opening win over Ozona. The Buffaloes travel to Junction tonight with an opportunity to reach the playoffs for the first time since 1986 in one of three games involving Crossroads Country teams that have playoff ramifications.

beat Sands, but win by 8 or more points or sit home during the playoffs.

"I really hate these point differential tie breakers," Mustangs coach Billy Barnett said Thursday afternoon. "I don't hate them as much as I do determining who gets to go on a coin toss, but I do hate them. There's just no good way to determine who gets to go when there's a three-way tie."

Borden County, which closes its season with a 7:30 kickoff with Hermleigh's Cardinals tonight, is already a lock for the playoffs, thanks to a 67-22 win over Grady two weeks ago.

Having won that game by more than 15 points assures the defending state champions a postseason berth and leaves Barnett and Grady counterpart Roger Smith, the best of friends, in a position of being enemies for two or three hours tonight.

"I wouldn't have it any other way and I don't think Billy would, either," Smith said of the prospect of having an opportunity to play for a playoff berth tonight. "We've talked several times and we've always felt like it ought to come down to this."

"Of course, I'd rather be in a position where we were both undefeated in district and were both in the playoffs, but nobody expected that to happen," the Wildcat boss added. "This just makes a great rivalry that much better."

"It's not a matter of hatred on the part of people here, but there are a lot of people here who grew up in the Sands school district and went to Sands. There's always a lot of pressure to play well against them."

"We have a lot of respect for their people," he concluded, "but we're all tough competitors

and none of us like to lose. That's what always makes this a big game."

The two head coaches' friendship, Barnett explained, makes the game even bigger.

"I'd like to beat him (Smith) and he has that same feeling," Barnett explained. "I still say he's one of the top three six-man football coaches in the state ... I really believe that. He gets the absolute maximum out of his kids."

"There have been years when they didn't have a great deal of talent on the field, but they've never been easy to beat," he added. "And this year ... well, let's just say this isn't one of those years when he doesn't have any talent."

The Wildcats, Barnett noted, have been an opportunistic team — taking advantage of whatever the opposition pro-

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Cowboys could go undefeated in division

IRVING (AP) — This year's Dallas Cowboys don't measure up in many categories to the best in franchise history, squads that won 14 NFC East titles and reached eight Super Bowls.

But halfway through this season, they do have a good chance to do something those teams never accomplished: go undefeated in the division.

Dallas went 4-0 its first time through the East, outscoring New York, Washington, Arizona and Philadelphia 134-27.

The Cowboys open the second half of the season Sunday at home against the Giants. A victory over New York followed by another over the Cardinals in Arizona would put Dallas in a most enviable position. The Cowboys — who went 3-5 against the East last year — would be only two victories from the season sweep, with those games at home against the Redskins and Eagles, each of whom have won just once so far.

Michael Irvin admits he's caught himself daydreaming along those lines, but every time he snaps himself back to reality by realizing the Cowboys are still just 5-3 overall, 1-3 outside the division.

"We really haven't put a whole lot of games together, back-to-back. Until we do that, we can't say we have a cushion," Irvin said. "There's a doubt we'll be in (the playoffs) until they start putting those Xs and Ys by your name in the standings sheet."

Fullback Daryl Johnston also said it's too early to be thinking about going 8-0 in the East, even if the other teams seem to be rolling over and playing dead.

Arizona is 4-4, but has been outscored 170-125. New York is 3-5 and lost last Sunday to Washington, which is 1-7. Philadelphia's only win came against Washington.

"You don't want to win to sweep them; you want to win to put yourself in position to do things at the end of the season," Johnston said.

Duke opens season ranked No. 1

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Recent decade-ending seasons have started well for Duke, and this one isn't any different.

The Blue Devils were voted No. 1 in The Associated Press college basketball Thursday, just as they were in the 1978-79 and 1988-89 seasons. The only other time Duke was a pre-season No. 1 was 1991-92, when it stayed on top all season on the way to a second straight national championship.

In 1979, the Blue Devils lost in the second round of the NCAA tournament, while 1989 saw them reach the national semifinals. With three starters back from a team that went 32-4 and fell one game short of the Final Four last season, a lot is expected from this Duke team.

"I'm very comfortable with high expectations," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "I have very high expectations for myself and my team all the

time. It is when you can't achieve high expectations that pressure comes in."

The Blue Devils, who were No. 1 for seven weeks last season, received 34 first-place votes and 1,747 points from the 72-member national media panel.

Duke has five players back who averaged at least 7.6 points per game last season, led by senior guard Trajan Langdon, a two-time all-Atlantic Coast Conference selection, and sophomore forward Elton Brand, who impressed a lot of people despite missing 15 games with a foot injury.

"This year's team has a chance to be a special basketball team," Krzyzewski said. "I think that is fun, not pressure."

Connecticut, which has five starters back from its regional final team that went 32-5 last season, was second with 25 first-place votes and 1,734 points, 82 more than Stanford, which has all its starters back from the team that went 30-5

and reached the Final Four. The Cardinal received 12 first-place votes.

Defending national champion Kentucky (35-4) was fourth with the only other No. 1 vote and 1,509 points, and was followed in the top 10 by Michigan State, Maryland, Temple, Kansas, Tennessee and Utah.

North Carolina, which was No. 1 in the final poll last season, was 11th, followed by UCLA, Oklahoma State, Washington, Cincinnati, Purdue, Xavier, Arizona and Arkansas. New Mexico and Syracuse tied for 20th and the rest of the Top 25 was Indiana, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and Texas Christian.

The Pac-10 and Atlantic 10 led the nine conferences represented in the pre-season poll with four teams each.

The Atlantic Coast Conference, Southeastern Conference, Big Ten and Western Athletic Conference had three teams each.

Lady Hawks open with 111-54 win at Levelland tournament

HERALD Staff Report

LEVELLAND — Howard College's Lady Hawks opened the 1998-99 season in more than impressive fashion Thursday night as six players scored in double figures en route to a 111-54 win over Colby (Kan.) College in the opening round of the Breakfast Rotary Tournament at South Plains College.

Sophomore Karlita Washington paced the Lady Hawks with 20 points, while freshman Caryn Ross added 19 more as Howard jumped out to a 15-0 lead en route to a 51-31 halftime edge.

Colby went scoreless for more than six minutes, finally getting on the scoreboard when Vicky Quezada, a 6-foot-2 freshman from El Paso, managed to score inside the paint.

The Lady Hawks, the tournament's defending champions, now advance to the winners bracket where they'll face McLennan Community College tonight at 6. McLennan opened the tournament with a 71-65 win over Northland Pioneer (Ariz.) College.

"It was a good start for our ball club," Lady Hawks head coach Matt Corkery noted. "We know that we have to be ready to play better as the competition gets better, though."

In addition to the big scoring night by Washington and Ross, Howard got 12 points from Chaunita Smith and Ashanti Nix and 11 points each from Ricka McKee and Latasha Moore.

Colby was paced by Amanda Fetter's 15 points, while Kylee Pautler added 13 more. Quezada finished with eight.

Other first-round games saw Northern Oklahoma take a 95-54 win over Glendale (Ariz.) Community College and South Plains romp to an easy win over Rose State (Okla.) College.

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AP Top 25

Table listing AP Top 25 college football teams with columns for rank, team name, and record.

NFL STANDINGS

Table showing NFL standings for American and National Conferences with columns for team, W, L, T, Pct., PF, and PA.

NHL

Table showing NHL standings for Thursday's games with columns for team, W, L, T, Pct., PF, and PA.

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UIL VOLLEYBALL

The state volleyball pairings for the playoffs, as provided by the University Interscholastic League...

STEERS

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AREA

Continued from page 1B... They primarily like to load it up and run right at you with (Jonathon) Ribble and (Frankie) Garza, the Mustangs coach explained.

one of the advantages the Steers have working in their favor is that tonight's 7:30 kickoff will take place in Sweetwater's Mustang Bowl. "We traditionally play them better over there than we do on our field," the Steers boss explained.

awfully frustrating because we had some opportunities and let them get away from us with turnovers. Elsewhere in the area, Stanton's Buffaloes are already a lock on the Class 2A playoffs

Ford, who wasn't even expected to play last week, came off the bench after having missed two days of workouts with the flu and carried the ball 32 times for 206 yards in the Steers' 28-21 win over Lake View.

As they head to Tahoka where they'll face the 2-7, 0-4 Bulldogs. Garden City's Bearkats will chalk up their first District 7-1A victory tonight without ever taking the field, thanks to a forfeit by Fort Hancock.

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Owners waiting for call

NEW YORK (AP) — Today's lockout snapshot: Russ Granik staring at his phone, wondering if it will ring.

The league was expecting a phone call from union director Billy Hunter this morning to hear if and when collective bargaining talks will resume.

With progress moving at a glacial pace and the sides apparently dug in for the long haul, there were more questions than answers as the impasse moved into its 129th day.

Among the mysteries: — Is commissioner David Stern bluffing when he says he'll cancel the season?

— Is Billy Hunter being held back by David Falk?

— When is the "drop-date" date for saving the 1998-99 season?

— When will it end? "We're just worlds apart, and NBA players are losing on average \$14 million per game," Stern said.

"When the owners show some willingness to engage in compromise... we'll be glad to recommend the deal to our players," Hunter said.

The sides remain far apart on both the framework for a deal and the percentage of revenue owners will be devoting to salaries. The players, who received 57 percent last season, are asking for 60 percent. The owners, who wanted to pay no more than 51.8 percent last season, want the percentage scaled back to 50 percent.

The compromise would seem to be 55 percent, yet Stern practically recoiled in disgust when it was suggested that the sides simply meet in the middle.

Pointing out that the old deal didn't work for the owners at 52 percent, Stern said it will be hard to get him to budge.

"If the question is whether to close things out the players could squeeze me to pay a little more than 50 percent, first get me to the close-out of the negotiations," he said. "But we're nowhere near that."

Hunter had no answer when asked what was wrong with 55 percent, but he has said in the past that the players shouldn't accept less than what they are currently getting, especially in light of the other concessions the union has made — lengthened rookie scale, possible decrease in cap growth, luxury tax and escrow tax.

Stern is threatening to cancel the season, but Hunter and several agents think the commissioner is bluffing and will do a deal at the last possible moment, whenever that is.

Stern and deputy commissioner Russ Granik have refused to give an exact "drop dead" date, but Granik said recently that it would be somewhere in mid-December.

So if an agreement was reached Dec. 20, for example, the season could start Jan. 14. Each team would have only 50 games left, but an additional six could be squeezed in if the All-Star game was canceled and an extra week was added on to the end of the regular season. That would allow for a 56-game schedule in which each team played every other team twice.

Stern has charged agents like Falk, who represent the highest-salaried players, with slowing the process. Hunter responded by saying Stern was trying to divide the union and insisting that himself and union president Patrick Ewing have been in charge of the negotiations since Day 1.

Falk seems to be upset with the proposals on the table because the union has offered a mechanism to limit high-end salaries. Suddenly, Falk clients Allen Iverson and Stephon Marbury will not have the opportunity to cash in with a \$120 million contract like Kevin Garnett did. If their contracts are limited to a maximum of, say, \$60 million, Falk and his clients will have sustained a huge loss.

"Three years ago, we knew the deal would benefit the high-end players at the expense of the middle class," Falk said. "As it is now, this deal will limit the high-end AND hurt the middle class."

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UNFURNISHED APTS.

2/1 Apartments. First Month Free From \$275-\$400 plus electric.
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3-2 bedroom houses for rent. Stove & refrigerator furnished. Call 263-4410.

3 bdr. 1 bth, 1321 Harding C/H/A, fenced back yard. References required. \$400/mn. \$200/dep. 267-6667

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603 HOLBERT Nice 3 br., den or 4th bd. Fenced yard, workshop/garage \$395./mo. \$250/dep. Call 263-3689.

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Very clean 1 bdr. \$250/mn. \$100/dep. No Pets. References. 263-2382 or 263-4697

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SATURDAY, NOV. 7:

Expect to be unusually productive and creative this year. Your mind might wander a lot, but it is through this process that you connect with others. You learn to see things in a different perspective because of this ability to explore mentally. If you are single, it is only because you so choose, because you'll certainly have an opportunity to begin something more serious and committed. Love could be quite torrid at times. If attached, you will discuss each others' needs more often, but you could judge your partner to be distant. Keep communicating! CANCER encourages you to dream.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

A discussion is intense, but don't let that interrupt your Saturday. Pull back and relax. You need to handle a domestic matter; a roommate or family member pitches in to help. Make low-key plans, and aim for a slower pace. Tonight: Opt for a leisurely dinner.****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

You hear a partner quite clearly. He changes his mind on a key issue. Emphasize improved conversations and a better sense of togetherness. Make time for a visit, and do something fun together. A movie and dinner together works well. Tonight: Let the flirting begin.*****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

A partner does a full-out flip-flop. Fortunately, you are flexible and can easily adjust. Listen carefully to feedback, but take care of yourself first. Intuition about a covert money issue forces you to think about this person in light of the request. Tonight: Indulge a little!****

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You wake up knowing it is time for a change in how you structure your daily life; follow through. Others agree. Do what you want, and ask for what you need. Popularity soars. Tonight: Wish upon a star.****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You need to keep an intense encounter hush-hush. Listen to other points of view, especially those of a respected relative or associate. You might find him slightly negative, but you know you aren't going to change him. Tonight: Do your thing!*

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Aim for what you want, even if a roommate doesn't agree

with you. Discussions must precede a change of any kind. Join friends, after you make an important call. Work with other people's plans. You will be happier as a result. Tonight: Make a party happen.****

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FRIDAY

NOV. 6

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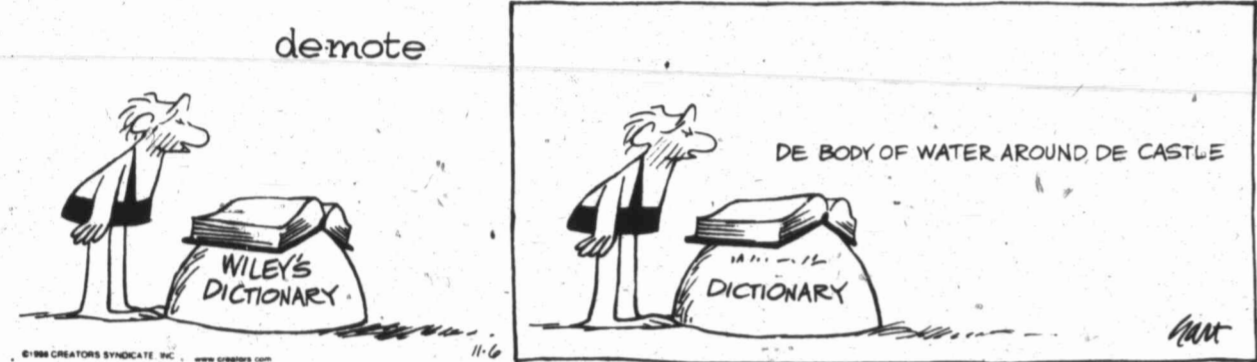
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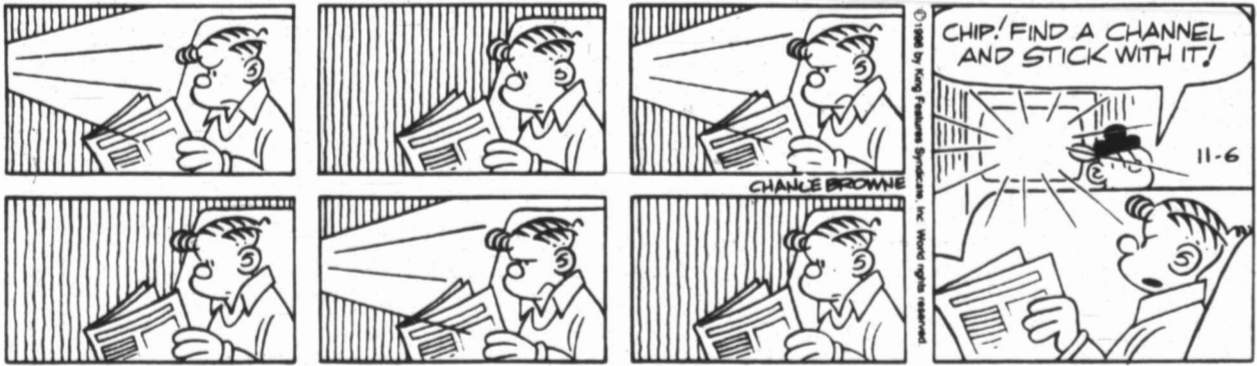
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"Some day, could you buy me a shiny silver necklace to wear on my teeth?"



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"I'M SURE HE'LL BE A GOOD BOY TONIGHT... HE'S OVERDUE."

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

Today is Friday, Nov. 6, the 310th day of 1998. There are 55 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 6, 1860, former Illinois congressman Abraham Lincoln defeated three other candidates for the presidency.

On this date: In 1861, Jefferson Davis was elected to a six-year term as

president of the Confederacy. In 1888, Benjamin Harrison of Indiana won the presidential election, defeating incumbent Grover Cleveland by gaining the required number of electoral votes, even though Cleveland led in the popular vote.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

By Roger Jurgovan Potomac, MD 11/6/98

Thursday's Puzzle Solved grid with the words filled in.

- DOWN 1 Health resorts 2 Bull of the Pampas 3 Rejected and elected candidates? 4 Meddle 5 Verrucular 6 Occurrence 7 Gentlemen 8 Olympian 9 Switch positions 10 Occur 11 Actor Sharif 12 Corporate image 13 Just manages or Vikki 14 Gossip 15 Courts 16 Acid of apples 17 Sports venue 18 Comic Johnson and others 19 Christian of fashion 20 Intricate details 21 "Teachers" star Nick 22 Love of money 23 Bum 24 Intermittently 25 Persia, now 26 Che...

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Advertisement for The STAR Theatre listing showtimes and ticket prices.

Advertisement for Cinema 4 Big Spring, TX listing showtimes and ticket prices for various movies.