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Parent program planned Monday

A Parental Involvement Program is planned Monday at 9 a.m. in the Big Spring High School library. The meeting is for parents of seventh and eighth grade students attending the Optional Extended Year Program summer school.

Esthela Aguirre, director of curriculum for the Big Spring Independent School District, Kent Bowerman, Big Spring High School principal, and Bill Tarleton, Big Spring Junior High principal, will present overviews of the future educational experiences for students of each campus.

WHAT'S UP...

MONDAY

□ Disabled American Veterans Chapter No. 47, 6:30 p.m., VAMC room 212.
□ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 8:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third.

TUESDAY

□ Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center.

WEDNESDAY

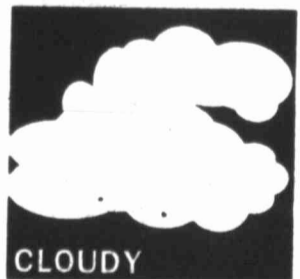
□ Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room.
□ Luncheon seminar, 11:30 a.m., Big Spring Country Club. The topics include "The Market and Economy Today," and "Using Mutual Funds in Retirement Planning."
□ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
□ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park.
□ Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY

□ Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.
□ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.
□ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

WEATHER

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Peace officers coming to Big Spring for education in technology

ALLISON THOMAS
Staff Writer

Approximately 27 law enforcement professionals from the region will gather in Big Spring beginning Monday for a seminar entitled "Training the Trainer." Presented by the Texas and National Crime Information Center, the seminar will run through Sunday, June 27. Its purpose is to provide further training for law enforcement professionals who train their local departments in computer

knowledge. Every officer who uses the law enforcement data base system must complete 40 hours of training yearly. The law enforcers qualified to provide such training must also receive updated information to stay current. "Those computers access the Texas Crime Information Center, where you can find information, records, and a whole host of things," said Sgt. Lee Everett with the Big Spring Police Department. Everett is qualified to train officers in the use of the data base sys-

tem for Howard County. "This will train the instructors to teach people about getting and retrieving information off the system, as well as the policies and procedures," said Everett. Representatives of the Texas Criminal Information Center will be traveling from Austin to present the seminar. The national center will also be represented. Although the workshop will be small, it is drawing law enforcement personnel from a large area. Both Regions 4 and 5 will be involved. "We have people coming in from

Amarillo, Lubbock, San Angelo, Midland, Odessa, and a few other places," said Everett. Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting the event, which has never before come to Big Spring. A reception to welcome the law enforcement professionals will be provided by the chamber. "We've taken a hands-on approach to this convention," said Andrea Earle, director of tourism for the chamber. "We're really glad to have them in Big Spring."

Storms make for a soggy, but cool parade

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

Strong thunderstorms unleashed torrents of rain Saturday, sending on-lookers and participants in the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Parade scurrying for cover.

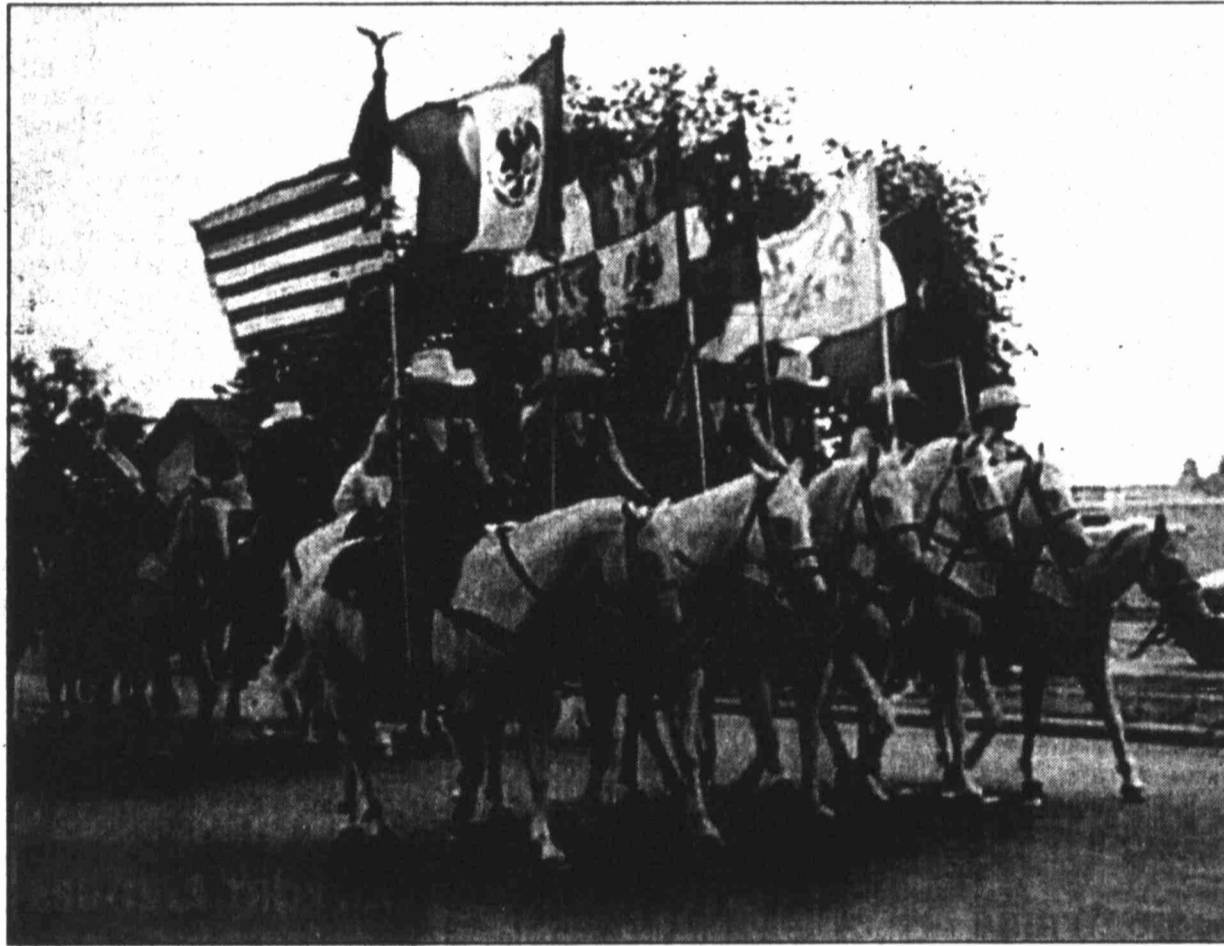
The rain also made for a quagmire of sorts at the Rodeo Bowl, but the final night of the 66th annual rodeo got under way as scheduled.

It only slightly dampened a series of rodeo performances that were held mainly under comfortable — if not unseasonably cool — temperatures.

Saturday's parade, with Jimmy Taylor as marshal, featured 24 entries, not counting another dozen young bicycle riders and a score or two of horseback riders. Among them were Danyelle Rideout, Miss Rodeo Texas. The event was sponsored by the Herald and KBST Radio.

Led by the Big Spring Police Department Color Guard, the parade also contained the traditional Six White Horses from Hardin-Simmons University.

Parade watchers lined Main Street from 10th Street to the courthouse square. Fewer were on Scurry Street when riding



Hardin-Simmons University's Six White Horses were among those who participated in the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Parade Saturday. The parade started under threatening skies and before it ended, the rains came, sending participants and fans scurrying for cover. A few (below, left) were fortunate enough to have umbrellas.

HERALD photos/Bill McClellan



groups from Dawson County and Nolan County and the Big Spring Sheriffs Posse made their way around the corner. That's about the time the rain began falling, however.

At first just sprinkles and then a shower, strong winds began to buffet the area and by the time the bicyclers reached the Heritage Museum, it was pouring.

"That's it for me," yelled one cowboy on horseback. He and several others made a dash back toward Main Street and shelter under the State National Bank parking lot. Still others slipped out of the ele-

ments at Norwest Bank.

Within a few minutes, there were no parade participants nor watchers left. Scurry Street became a river, with water lapping over the sidewalks.

Triple T Septic Systems, owned by Don and Tina Tatum, was the first place float.

Johnny Rogers was winner of the bicycle decorating contest and \$100 from Fiesta Dodge. Second and third went to Melissa Myers and Ashley Buzbee. They received gift certificates from the Heritage Museum.

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Final meeting on U.S. 87 improvements set Tuesday

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

The last of two scheduled public meetings on the proposed reconstruction of U.S. Highway 87 from South 4th Street to Interstate 20 will be held Tuesday.

S&B Infrastructure, Ltd. of Houston will conduct the meeting, scheduled



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for 5:30 p.m. in council chambers at City Hall. Officials from SBI will present the new driveway layouts and outline the re-permitting of the new driveways, as well as present proposed drainage improvements.

The \$1.8 million project will be undertaken in two segments. The first will begin at the Interstate 20 south frontage road and end at the railroad bridge. The second segment will begin at South 4th Street and end at the railroad bridge. The bridge itself is not part of the project.

The proposed project will also

address storm water runoff in the U.S. 87 and North Lancaster Street area. Storm water runoff has been the most discussed portion of the project by citizens to TxDOT and SBI officials.

In the earlier meeting, officials said efforts will be made to keep traffic flowing and access to businesses and residential areas open during the reconstruction process.

"We will take into account the proximity of schools, churches, the impact to residents and businesses, noise, the environment impact... cost estimates,

public safety," said Charlotte L. Teague, project manager for S&BI.

Art Barrow, area engineer for TxDOT, said the project will mirror that of the reconstruction done to South Gregg Street from 4th to FM 700, which was completed in 1989. The project will have curbs and gutters, and, where applicable, sidewalks. Officials say there is no plan to gain further right-of-way for the project.

There will also be improvements to each intersection

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StarTek

Firm's decision could be made by Wednesday

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Board members of Moore Development for Big Spring adjourned a three-day-long meeting Friday, and decided to reconvene Wednesday, to discuss the StarTek incentive package further.

"I talked with Mike (Morgan, chief executive officer) of StarTek and he said they have to meet Monday and he will give us an answer by Wednesday," said Kent Sharp, executive director for Moore Board.



SHARP

StarTek USA, an international company that employs more than 6,000 people world wide, has been given a proposal from Moore Board for locating a telephone call center employing about 375 people in Big Spring.

Sharp has been in telephone communication with the chief financial officer and chief executive officer of StarTek, submitting Moore Board's incentive package. "I will tell you this is a very nice incentive package, with generous incentives from Big Spring, but it is also very fair," Sharp said.

Part of the package proposed to StarTek is a building to house the outsourcer support center. A 30,000 square foot building in College Park Shopping Center has been suggested, which StarTek officials have not yet seen.

"But Kevin Cory saw the building when he was here," Sharp said.

A labor market search was conducted by the Cory, the human resources director of StarTek, two weeks ago. Negotiations for bringing the company to Big Spring have been ongoing for many months.

Cory gave his approval to the labor market in Big Spring, saying he believes the local labor force will meet the needs of StarTek's newest call center.

"This puts the ball back in their court, and we're not at fault if we don't make the timeline," said Moore Board member Charles Beil.

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Lakeview graduates enjoy reminiscing about school days

By ALLISON THOMAS
Staff Writer

Graduates of Lakeview High School gathered here Friday and Saturday from all over the country to greet old friends and reminisce about high school days.

Held at the La Vadera Club, which was decorated in the Lakeview school colors of blue and gold. The reunion is held every two years, and each year is dedicated to a different group.

This year's reunion was dedicated to Lakeview athletes.

"We try to do something different every year," Barbara Davis, Lakeview graduate and member of the reunion planning committee, said Saturday. "Tonight, we're presenting

everyone who participated in sports with Olympic medals. They don't know about it yet."

During the reunion, graduates were able to take a stroll down "Memory Lane," an exhibit along one wall showing memorabilia, school photos, group snapshots, and newspaper clippings. The exhibit displays the history of three decades in Lakeview High School's past, from the 1950s to the 1970s.

A special part of every year's reunion is the memorial, set up to honor those teachers and graduates who have died. Candles were lighted as former student Jennie Johnson Clark read the names.

The idea for a reunion began formulating more than 16 years

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Cyneather Woodruff tells graduates about "Memory Lane," a wall dedicated to photos and memorabilia from Lakeview High School, as Clarence Hartfield looks on. The Lakeview Reunion took place Friday and Saturday.

HERALD photo/Allison Thomas

OBITUARIES

Marvin Smith

Graveside services for Marvin Smith, 80, of Huntington, Ore., formerly of Big Spring, will be 4 p.m. Tuesday, June 22, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. Roger Huff officiating. Mr. Smith died in Fresno, Calif.

He was born on Jan. 11, 1919, in Oregon. He married Helen Louise Garrison on Aug. 5, 1944, in La Grande, Ore. She preceded him in death on Nov. 4, 1987. He then married Helen Kessler on June 16, 1989 in Battle Mountain, Nev. He was a civil engineer from 1945 until retirement in 1991, and was a member of the Church of the Nazarene.

Survivors include his wife, Helen Smith of Huntington, Ore.; two sons, Russell Smith of Monahan and Rodney Smith of Las Vegas, Nev.; five step-children, Jerome Kessler of Susanville, Calif., Alden Kessler of Maxwell, Calif., Dean Kessler of Idaho, Jean Kessler and Harold Kessler of Willows, Calif.; two brothers, Cecil Smith and Ken Smith of Union, Ore.; and one sister, Merle Quint of Washington State.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Mary Munoz

Services for Mary Munoz, 63, of Big Spring are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Home. Mrs. Munoz died on Friday, June 18, 1999.

Donald Varner

Donald Varner, 61, of Big Spring, died on Friday, June 18, 1999, at a local nursing home. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, June 21, 1999, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Dr. Claude Craven, retired Baptist minister, officiating.

He was born on Oct. 28, 1937, in Pennsylvania. He had lived in Big Spring for 30 years, and was an automobile mechanic.

He was a Baptist. Survivors include his wife, Irene Hartman of Big Spring; six step-daughters, Betty Spence of New Jersey, Jeanette Knappe of Laughlin, Nev., Elizabeth Mayfield of Denton, Ethel Nizot of Wyoming, Lisa Gilmore of

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Francisco Javier Navarro, 22, died Friday. Services are pending.

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Donald Varner, 61, died Friday. Graveside services will be 1:00 PM Monday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Marvin Smith, 80, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be 4:00 PM Tuesday, June 22, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park.

Antonio Armijo, 20 died Friday. A prayer service will be at 7:30 PM Sunday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Graveside services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Mary Munoz, 63, died Friday. Rosary will be 7:00 PM Monday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral services will be 10:00 AM Tuesday at St. Thomas Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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San Angelo and Geraldine Douglas of Big Spring; four step-sons, J.R. Hartman, David Hartman, Kenneth Hartman, and Daniel Hartman, all of Big Spring; two nieces, Belinda Wyman and Cheryl Phillips, both of Big Spring; and one nephew, Russell Strong of Big Spring.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society, c/o Lucy Bonner, P.O. Box 2121, Big Spring, Texas, 79721-2121.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Lillie Wood

Services for Lillie Viola Wood, 87, of Irving, will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, June 22, 1999, at Church of God in Irving. Interment will be in Oak Grove Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Wood died on June 17, 1999.

She was born on Aug. 31, 1911 in Eastland. She was a member of the Church of God in Irving and the Assembly of God in Garland.

Survivors include her son, Bill Wood of Garland; four daughters, Joy LaFlam of Port Charlotte, Fla., Yvonne Anderson of Big Spring, Burniade Cavender of Dallas, and Gaylene Wood of Arlington; 22 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, and eight great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, June 21.

Arrangements under the direction of Brown's Memorial Funeral Home.

Francisco Javier Navarro

Services for Francisco Javier Navarro, 22 are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mr. Navarro died Friday, June 18, 1999.

Antonio Armijo

Antonio Armijo, 20, of Big Spring, died on Friday, June 18, 1999, in Big Spring. A prayer service will be at 7:30 p.m., Sunday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel, led by Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, June 22, 1999, at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Albuquerque, N.M.

He was born on Nov. 17, 1978, in Salinas, Calif.

Antonio loved to work on cars and belonged to the Low Image car club of Big Spring. He had high hopes for life and had many friends whom he never turned away from if they were in need.

He will be greatly missed by his father, mother, Nana, relatives and friends. He recently mentioned that he had hoped to return to Albuquerque, where he could be at home with those who loved him, and in keeping with his wish his family will lay him to rest there.

Survivors include his father, Arthur Armijo of Big Spring; his mother, Patricia Schmerber of Kerrville; one sister, Savannah Schmerber of Kerrville; his grandmother, Ernestina V. Armijo of Albuquerque, N.M.; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

The family suggests memorials to the American Diabetes Association, Inc., Texas Affiliate, Inc., Western Regional Office, 10 Desta Dr., Midland, Texas, 79705.

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The going was tough too, at the Rodeo Bowl, where cowboys and cowgirls were trying to outshine some outstanding first-night performances in between thunderstorms. One of the best was an 88-point bull ride, put on by Paducah's David McLean. Other top scores to beat heading into Saturday's final performance included a 78 in the saddle bronc by Roy Sutherland and an 84 in the bareback by William Pittman.

In one tragic moment, a woman received injuries during the parade after striking the ground when her horse bolted as she was attempting to get in the saddle. She was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. He condition was not available Saturday evening.

HEARING

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along the route. There may be some repositioning of lights along the project, though officials said there is no plan to add additional lighting at this time.

Because the project involves U.S. 87, it is classified as a federal project and 80 percent of the cost will be federally funded with 20 percent funded by the state. Officials said that the cost of moving utilities during the project will be 80 percent federal, 10 percent state and 10 percent local.

The project isn't due to go to bid until May 2000, and public comments will be taken during the June meeting. Those who are unable to attend can submit comments to Barrow at Texas Department of Transportation, P.O. Box 511.

Tuesday's meeting will be the final public hearing on the proposed reconstruction, TxDOT officials said.

REUNION

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ago between Barbara Davis and Cyneather Woodruff, who worked together.

"We would talk about how much fun it would be to get everyone together again and hold a Lakeview reunion," explained Davis. In 1985, they did just that, and the school reunion has been held every two years since.

The senior classes were too small to hold a single class reunion, so the reunion is held for anyone who ever graduated from Lakeview.

Graduates of Lakeview shared their favorite memories from high school, recounting stories about sports, friends, and favorite teachers.

"My favorite memory is playing on the basketball team," said Minnie Woods Bridgers, a 1952 graduate who traveled from Durham, N.C. to attend the reunion. "We went to play games in different cities, but since we didn't have buses we had to get cars. Clarence Shaw ran a store across the street, and he provided transportation for all the players."

"I was kind of a tomboy," Bridgers remembered. "I would go borrow marbles from the boys, then beat them all. By the time I graduated high school, I had a quart jar full of marbles I had won."

R.C. Johnson of Big Spring, who played for the Lakeview football team for two years, also remembers his high school athletic days fondly.

"At about 110 pounds, I was the lightest boy on the football team," said Johnson. "I was a linebacker."

In contrast, Barbara Davis described herself as more of a "brain" than an athlete.

"I always had my nose in a book," she said.

Leon Houston of Dallas attended Lakeview before and after integration in 1962, and remembers the differences. He later became the first African-American to graduate high school in Colorado City.

BIG SPRING
AROUND THE TOWN

"This was a part of my life at a time I don't ever want to forget," said Houston. "This is all before we integrated. When we did, I think everyone lost a lot of comradery."

In these very different times, the former students of Lakeview all remember the way things were, and they look forward to every reunion as a way of reliving their memories, says Bridgers.

"It is amazing how we all look so different, and all remain so much the same," she said.

STARTEK

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Although a definitive answer to the proposal was expected sooner, a personal tragedy delayed a corporate meeting, Sharp said.

"And they're waiting for all the corporate officials to return to the country. I understand everyone's out now, the chairman is in Ecuador and the chief operating officer is in Singapore. Mike said they will have a meeting Monday when everyone gets back," Sharp said.

Despite the delay in final approval, Sharp said he is still positive about the opportunity that StarTek will select Big Spring for its newest expansion project.

"I will be very very surprised if a positive result doesn't come out of this. We were complimented on our tenacity and our patience, and I think they were a little surprised that we were able to put this together so quickly," he said.

And Terry Wegman, president of Moore Board, said "All we're waiting for now is the seal of approval."

SUPPORT GROUPS

SUNDAY
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.
•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

MONDAY
•TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian church, 21st and Goliad.

•Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•Encouragers Support Group (formerly Widow/Widower support group) will meet Monday, June 7, at 6 p.m. at Furr's Cafeteria. They will also meet Monday, June 21, at 6 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, Seventh and Runnels (enter through the north door) for a covered dish dinner. Bring a covered dish.

•Alzheimer's support group, 7 p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 N. Lancaster, first Mondays of each month. Call Galyen Gamble at 263-1271. The topic for June 7 will be on "Losing It All."

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

•Alzheimer's support group, 6:30 p.m., Marcy House, 2301 Wason. Call 268-9041.

•Association of Retarded Citizens of Howard County meet 7 p.m. the first Monday of each month at 806 E. Third Street, the HARC bingo building. Call 264-0674 for more information.

•Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard

TEXAS LOTTERY LOTTO: 10,34,35,36,39,41

Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

County Mental Health Center, meets the fourth Monday of each month at 6 p.m. at 409 Runnels, Clyde Alsop Building. AMI meeting to follow. For more information call 263-0027 or 267-7220.

•Survivors of Suicide will meet Monday, June 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the pastoral care office of Memorial Hospital, Midland. The topic will be "Trouble Worshipping," led by Dr. Alan Williams.

•The New Voice Club, a support group for laryngectomees and their families, will meet Monday, June 21, at 6:30 p.m. at 2410 Wason Drive, the house behind the 7-11 store, but with the driveway on Randolph. For directions, call 267-2800.

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

Community Guide
information needed

Attention clubs, organizations and churches: The Big Spring Herald is in the process of updating our information for Community Guide.

We want your listing to be accurate and up-to-date, and for that, we need your help. Please provide us with any changes to last year's listing, in writing.

Clubs, community groups and organizations, please provide us with meeting times, places and contact person. Churches, we need the name, address and phone number.

Please fax the information to: 264-7205, attention Community Guide; drop it by the office at 710 Scurry, or mail it to: P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring. You can reach us by e-mail at: bsherald@xroadstx.com.

CRIMESTOPPERS

Howard County Sheriff's Office is requesting your assistance.

On May 27, in the north part of Howard County, a person or persons broke into a residence and took two hand guns, one rifle and a knife collection. An empty residence near this home was also vandalized. The two incidents are believed to be connected.


On Sunday, June 6, at approximately 2:15 a.m., four suspects broke into a grocery store located on Highway 350. The suspects, three males and one female, were caught on surveillance cameras, but have not been identified at this time. Suspects took beer and cigarettes.

Anyone having information on these or other crimes is asked to contact Crimestoppers at 264-TIPS, or Dep. Ronald Allen at 264-2244.

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Bullock name to live on in scholarship, museum

AUSTIN (AP) — The name of Bob Bullock — a political giant whose love for Texas was acknowledged by Democrats and Republicans alike — will live on in a state history museum and a scholarship endowed in his honor at Baylor University.

"People will not only remember his name, but will remember Bob Bullock. I know I will," said Sen. Royce West, D-Dallas, who recalled the Democratic leader as a mentor and friend.

The 69-year-old Bullock, who died at his Austin home Friday and was to be buried Sunday,

began his public service career by winning a Texas House seat while still a Baylor Law School student in 1966.

He went on to serve as an assistant attorney general, governor's aide, secretary of state and state comptroller before becoming lieutenant governor, the Senate's presiding officer.

Earlier this year, the senators he had led announced they would endow a scholarship in his name at Baylor, whose president described him as deeply loyal to his alma mater and to his state.

"He was powerful in the best

sense of the word. He knew power and was not afraid to wield it; yet he used it for the benefit of all Texans. He loved Texas," said Baylor President Robert B. Sloan Jr.

A bill establishing the Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum was signed into law last month by Republican Gov. George W. Bush, who became Bullock's friend and found in him a strong political ally despite their different political parties.

Bullock, who said when he left office that he didn't want anything named for him, never-

theless expressed pleasure over the designation.

"I was very honored about it," he said.

Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, said Bullock was a humble man in his way.

"He didn't want notoriety. He didn't want people to give him accolades. He was adamant about not naming something after him. We just said sorry, we're doing it anyway," she said.

"I think after it was done, he realized that it was something that he would leave along with his good work — a legacy."

Consensus on gun control will be found, Hastert says

FORT WORTH (AP) — Congress should still be able to put together gun control legislation that will respond to school shootings in Colorado and Georgia despite the bipartisan squabbling that scuttled a bill this past week, House Speaker Dennis Hastert said Saturday.

"We're going to have a bill," said Hastert of Illinois, who had traveled to Texas to help raise money for fellow Republican Rep. Kay Granger of Fort Worth.

The House last week debated for three days before killing a gun control bill that would have lessened some current restrictions while imposing others. Immediately, both parties blamed the other for the bill's failure.

"You don't want to point fingers in this business, but that's a fact," Hastert said of House Democrats.

In Texas, which lives with a Wild West image and gun-loving reputation, Republicans split on the vote. The state's Democrats all voted against the measure.

The defeated bill would have altered the criminal background investigations for guns purchased at shows.

Federal law requires instant

criminal background checks on all licensed dealers' sales. But currently, purchasing a firearm from an unlicensed seller at a gun show doesn't require the check.

The defeated bill would have required unlicensed sellers to make the checks, but it would have reduced the amount of time allowed to do so from three-days to 24 hours. Also, gun shows would be redefined in a way to exclude some events that are now covered.

In addition, the bill would have required dealers to provide safety devices with all handguns.

The Senate last month approved similar restrictions. Compromise talks in the House are likely to begin this summer.

"We'll come out of conference committee with another piece of legislation," said Hastert, who attended a fundraising dinner on behalf of Ms. Granger, who had voted for this past week's gun legislation.

Seventy-five people were expected to attend the \$500- or \$1,000-a-plate event.

The money raised will be split between Ms. Granger and Hastert to be used as a travel fund.

Claim for 'black tax' has minister in trouble

FORT WORTH (AP) — A man who requested a \$43,209 "black tax" credit and got a sizable check from the U.S. Treasury is now facing potential jail time for helping three others do the same thing.

Willie Foster, a 35-year-old part-time minister from Fort Worth who said his great-grandparents were slaves, got \$30,065.89 back from the IRS.

"It's about time they gave us something for that lost time in slavery," Foster told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

But the \$30,000 return was a mistake because, despite persistent rumors, there is no black

tax credit. Foster still has the money, but now his freedom is at stake.

He faces up to 15 years in prison for helping three friends apply for the same tax credit — one of the three got some money — after the Internal Revenue Service told him that there was no such thing.

Foster is scheduled for trial in Dallas federal court this month on three counts of filing false claims.

Talk of reparations has circulated since just after the Civil War, when Congress voted to give freed slaves 40 acres and a mule. But President Andrew

Johnson vetoed the plan.

The debate has surfaced on and off ever since. Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., has tried unsuccessfully to gain support for legislation on the matter.

The debate landed in the lap of the IRS after L.G. Sherrod, a New York journalist and economics consultant, wrote an essay in 'Essence' in April 1993.

Ms. Sherrod urged readers to use their tax forms to claim the modern-day equivalent of 40 acres and a mule.

"Simply enter \$43,209 in 'black taxes' and compute accordingly," she wrote.

There was a flurry of filings

that year and some later, and the story became an urban legend.

"It's just one of those myths that continues to resurface across the country," said Phil Beasley, spokesman for the IRS in Dallas.

After filing for the credit in his April 1996 tax return, Foster received six or seven letters from the IRS, adjusting the amount of the refund because of outstanding student loans and child-support payments, Greene said.

None of those letters called the credit into question, Greene said.

Brazoria approves settlement in jail-abuse case

ANGLETON (AP) — Brazoria County has approved a \$2.22 million settlement offer to Missouri inmates suing over a 1996 jail shakedown in which they suffered attacks by guard dogs and shocked with stun guns.

County commissioners unanimously signed off on the proposal Friday.

The settlement offer requires participation by the other defendants, including private prison company Capital Correctional Resources Inc. and the state of Missouri, which housed its overflow inmates here before the attack.

It's not clear where those defendants stand on the settlement.

Inmates' attorneys say the deal, if approved, would be the nation's largest prison-abuse

settlement. The prisoners would split about \$1 million after fees.

Insurance policies would absorb the county's portion of the bill.

"These are just settlement discussions, which I cannot comment on, but we've said from the beginning we would never volunteer a cent of taxpayer funds," District Attorney Jeri Yenne said.

Each Missouri inmate pursuing a claim must approve the offer and it must pass muster by a federal judge in Kansas City, Mo., next week.

The prison company leased a portion of the Brazoria County jail. Missouri inmates were forced to crawl on the floor during a "training exercise" videotaped by officials.

All 2,100 Missouri inmates housed in Texas jails, including facilities in Limestone and Gregg counties, were moved back home. Part of the settlement prevents Missouri inmates from pursuing future claims about their treatment in Texas.

County Judge John Willy was optimistic the offer would end the suit.

"I just feel real good about it," Willy said.

"Hopefully, the injunctive relief will cause other states to stand up and take notice of what could happen if they send their prisoners off to foreign states and private prison companies without taking the necessary steps to make sure they're doing it properly," said Sly James, a Kansas City, Mo., attorney.

Plaintiffs rest case in fen-phen trial

HOUSTON (AP) — The plaintiffs in the nation's first fen-phen wrongful death lawsuit rested their case Friday after nearly two weeks of testimony and then dismissed the prescribing doctor as a defendant.

Plaintiffs' attorney Charlie Parker said Dr. Leo Borrell of Houston was dismissed because the marketer of the "fen" half of the diet drug combination, American Home Products of Madison, N.J., agreed to pay for any damages assessed against the doctor.

The lawsuit, which seeks at least \$25 million in damages, is one of nearly 3,200 filed against the company over diet drugs marketed as Pondimin and Redux.

A North Texas case, the only other to go to trial, ended earlier this year with a settlement.

The lawsuit was filed by the family of Harris County woman Mary Marisa Smith, 35, who died in September 1997 of complications related to a rare lung disease allegedly caused by the drug, called fenfluramine.

American Home Products attorneys Paul Stallings and David Kiernan told the Houston Chronicle that the plaintiffs did not put on any evidence accusing Borrell of wrongdoing. Borrell's dismissal will not affect their defense, both said.

The company has argued there is no proof the drug causes the primary pulmonary hypertension which led to Smith's death.

Part of the testimony has focused on whether the company misled the U.S. Food and Drug Administration about the dangers and effectiveness of the

drugs.

State District Judge Katie Kennedy has said the plaintiffs have copies of electronic mail written by the FDA's medical monitor, Leo Lutwak, "regarding the manipulation" of the agency.

But she said she would not allow jurors to see the e-mail, presumably because it does not adequately provide additional evidence of the plaintiffs' manipulation claims.

The FDA approved two types of fen-phen marketed by American Home Products. Pondimin, the brand name of fenfluramine, was approved in 1973.

A chemically related compound, Redux, or dexfenfluramine, was approved in November 1995 and went on the market in April 1996.

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OUR VIEWS

Try to make time for your father this day

You might call him Dad, Daddy or Pop. He might be your birth parent, or a father-in-law, stepfather or even a grandfather who raised you.

Whatever you call him, today is his day. It's time to recognize the man who taught you to fish or how to throw a ball, carried you on his shoulders and gave patient advice.

He may have cried at your wedding, or you may have never seen him cry at all. He probably consoled your tears plenty of times.

Perhaps he was always around; perhaps he was rarely part of your life due to a demanding job or family problems. Perhaps you only got to know your father well as an adult.

In today's life! section, some local residents share how they feel about fatherhood, at various ages and stages of life. Our conclusion: A father is forever, no matter his age or that of his children.

Fatherhood is taken for granted too often today. Politicians talk of a family-values crisis because too many children don't know their fathers, or don't see them regularly. If you do, be thankful. You have something many in the next generation are growing up without.

And a father is not always the man you'd expect. Sometimes he is a "father figure" who gave you his time and devotion even though you weren't his child. That is another reason to celebrate Father's Day.

For all the things he was to you, take time today to appreciate your father. Let him know that you saw how much he cared, and if he needs it now, give some of that caring back.

And for fathers everywhere: We realize you had a tough job to do. Thanks for taking it seriously. Your influence will have a positive lasting effect on your children.

Have a great day!

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I have just finished reading the Big Spring Herald of June 16. I was sickened by the Editorial Cartoon.

While I agree that it is probably accurate, I find it in very bad taste. It is things like this which give others ideas.

I agree that it should be harder for our children to attend "R" rated movies, however, unfortunately there is no restrictions on this type of entertainment coming into ones home unless the parents take the initiative to have it removed from their cable service.

I, also, agree that guns do not kill people, the problem

lies with the people holding the gun.

Yet I strongly feel that there need to be stronger control on the sale of firearms in an effort to keep them out of the hands of minors and those who are prone to using them for evil intent.

I, also, realize just how futile this would be; even with the strongest gun laws, the criminal will still find access to the instrument of his choice. But with stronger laws, perhaps some minor would be deterred from purchasing a gun and using it in some vicious act at his school.

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Latest scandal: Who talked to Woodward?

If there were any questions left about Bill Clinton's much talked-about legacy, last week provided some answers. The punishment, our president is learning, doesn't stop at acquittal's doorstep.

Last week began with a historic victory in Kosovo, yet all the talk in Washington was about two Bobs — Bennett, the president's rumpiled pit-bull of a lawyer, and Woodward, the famous investigative reporter whose recent book about scandals is flying off shelves in the capital.

Who talked to Woodward? was the question on everyone's lips. In "Shadow," a book recounting the toll of the Watergate scandal on successive presidents, Woodward gives intimate details of private discussions between the president and Bennett.

"Mr. President," Bennett is quoted as saying, "I find your explanation about one of the women frankly unbelievable. This is what impeachment is made of. Your political enemies

will eat you alive if there's anything in that deposition that isn't truthful."

Even O.J. Simpson's lawyers showed more loyalty than this. Clinton, through his spokesman, has denied speaking to Woodward for the book. And the loquacious Bennett, fearful of being fingered as the source, has denied ever violating attorney-client privilege — a back-handed way of saying it wasn't him. But that hasn't stopped the buzz, the search for a culprit, the deconstruction of a scandal that still has the power to push a war victory onto the capital's back-burner.

The book also continues a long Washington tradition: If victory, as the saying goes, has a hundred fathers, then defeat is surely an orphan. One by one, the bit players in the Clinton-Starr melodrama are scrubbing the tarnish off their own reputations under the cloak of anonymity. Why, it wasn't my idea to have the Starr report read like an issue of Hustler magazine, Starr's aides are reported as saying. And surely it wasn't Bennett's fault that his client was a lying sack of manure. Message to Starr and Clinton: You guys are on your own now.

We've seen this play before. As the Bush campaign was petering out in 1992, the anonymous gripes came swiftly. The

president who prized loyalty above all suffered the wounds of a thousand cuts delivered by anonymous quotes: If only he had taken my advice, we wouldn't be in this mess. It also happened to Newt Gingrich, whose troops couldn't wait to second-guess his every decision once the popularity ratings plunged.

For Clinton, the worst indignity may have come on Wednesday, when his loyal poodle of a vice president went to Tennessee to announce himself as the "family-values" candidate for president. A clearer distinction could not have been made. Elect Al Gore and you'll never have to worry about your daughters becoming White House interns.

So what's a president to do? Here's the leader of the free world, riding a historic economy and flush with victory in a far-off conflict his critics lampooned as a losing proposition, and he barely has a friend left in Washington. Just deserts, most would say. But what if Mr. Clinton, he of the famously volatile temperament, decided to get even?

Let's assume for a minute that Clinton did not speak to Woodward. It's probably safe, considering Clinton's distrust — make that contempt — for the press. Maybe the leak didn't come from Bennett. We

have no reason to doubt his word. But let's pretend that Clinton thinks it came from Bennett. Let's pretend the president decided to sue for breach of lawyer-client confidentiality.

We posed this question to Paul Rice, a law professor at The American University and an expert on attorney-client privilege.

"I don't think he could challenge the legal fees, but he could have a cause of action against him for breach of confidentiality."

It's not an idle notion. When the president leaves office, he and Hillary will owe at least \$10 million in legal fees. Figures released in February by his legal defense fund (new numbers are due in August) show that \$4.5 million of that has already been defrayed by contributions — but the bills have also grown in that timeframe. It's safe to assume that at least a quarter of that money is going to Bennett.

Don't bet on it happening, however. Because here's the kicker.

"The question is going to be one of proof," says Rice. "And this is like a marital dispute. When you get two people up there, it's a simple question of who seems to be the most believable."

Who do you think wins that battle?



JACK ANDERSON



The places that inspire have a mystique

Writers can write anywhere except, perhaps, underwater or in a straight jacket. They need the most rudimentary of tools, a routine and a roost. Grand vistas are optional.

Yet the variety of the homes of Southern literary royalty is remarkable. Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings wrote on a screened porch to the throaty chorus of swamp frogs. Her house was actually two sharecroppers' shacks strung together with a porch and situated in a Florida orange grove she bought sight unseen. Her beloved Cross Creek became more than a place to hang her hat.

Its character, and characters, became both her inspiration and subject matter. Carl Sandburg sometimes sat on a North Carolina rock to

write, so absorbed in his work he never bothered to move when the sun began to beat down on his hatless head. Walker Percy had an office above the bookstore that his daughter ran on a small-town street so pastel and pretty it might have been painted by Monet. Hemingway had the first swimming pool in Key West.

F. Scott Fitzgerald worked and lived in the garden district of his wife's hometown, Montgomery, Ala., in an elegantly fading house that perfectly fits the love letter Zelda once sent him: "I know you smell like the delicious damp grass that grows near old walls..."

Harper Lee and Truman Capote grew up side by side in a town so unlikely to spawn literary giants that even now some natives have trouble accepting the connection: Thomas Wolfe came of age in a boarding house in a city that would later disown him.

This week I strolled with other tourists through the apartment where Margaret Mitchell wrote most of "Gone With the Wind" — the humble home she nicknamed "The

Dump." I am almost ashamed to say I had not bothered to visit before. It is, after all, the birthplace of a book that's outsold everything but the Bible.

I think I dreaded the ordinariness of those rooms. Such an ambitious book should have been written in a mansion, or on a mountaintop. Margaret Mitchell didn't even have a consistent writing perch, but moved the manual typewriter from table to table in that shoebox of a home. (It may have been small, but Peggy Mitchell had both a handyman and a maid to help her with the domestic chores she loathed.)

The visitors' book at the Margaret Mitchell House is a revelation. Interest in this disputed landmark is huge. Maybe the people from six countries and 14 states on the two pages I glimpse had other business in town. Maybe not.

The enduring mystique of great books and those who write them makes for many pilgrims. And this region is lousy with literary real estate.

For the past few weeks, I've visited as many Southern writers' homes as I could, some for the second and third time. (I've been to Faulkner's Rowan Oak

so often that I could serve as docent.)

There were surprises in this, a more purposeful and philosophical tour than any I've made in the past. Many of our literary landmarks need money. Everyone assumes someone else is taking care of the cost of preserving this country's cultural heritage. As a result, the homes of some great writers are open, but operating on a shoestring.

"I read somewhere that a country is known by how it treats its women and cultural landmarks," Elena Aleinikov says.

She is the Russian-born executive director of the F. Scott and Zelda Fitzgerald Museum in Montgomery.

We should worry about our reputation.

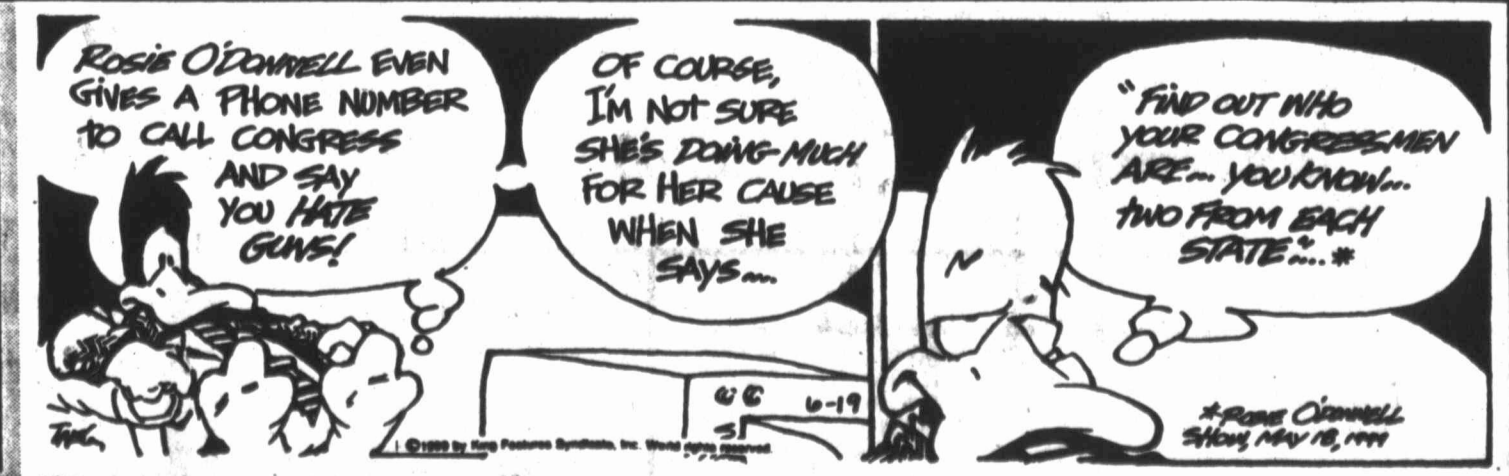
I'm not finished with my touring, either. I've never seen Flannery O'Connor's Milledgeville, Ga., home, or the birthplace of Tennessee Williams in Columbus, Miss. I want to see the Edgar Allan Poe Museum in Richmond, Va., and the Robert Penn Warren birthplace in Guthrie, Ky.

For the next week, and all along, I'll tell you what I find.



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Father's Day founder faced an uphill struggle back in 1910

SPOKANE, Wash. (AP) — Dads getting new ties on Sunday, or just spending the day kicking back, owe a debt to the mother of Father's Day.

Without Sonora Smart Dodd, the third Sunday of each June might be just another day for lawn-mowing and endless to-do lists.

Dodd was just 16 when her own father, Civil War veteran William Jackson Smart, lost his wife in childbirth and was left to raise their six children alone in Spokane.

In 1909, when she was 27, she listened to a Sunday sermon about Mother's Day and wondered why there was no corresponding day for fathers.

Dodd believed the nation didn't show enough respect to fathers, citing popular songs of the day such as "Father, Dear Father, Come Home with Me Now" and "Everybody Works but Father."

And the sermon set her on a campaign for a Father's Day observance.

Dodd "was a real promoter and had lots of charm," said Don Ball, whose family opened a funeral home with the Dadds in the 1930s that is still in business today. "She was so well-known around town as a poet, a scribe and a sculptor."

She promoted Father's Day "out of love for her father," recalled Ball, 72,

who knew Dodd from childhood.

Today, about 97 million Father's Day cards are purchased annually in the United States, according to the Greeting Card Association, an industry group. It is the fifth-largest card-sending occasion, following Christmas, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day and Easter.

Dodd's campaign was an uphill struggle at first.

"One group of men conventioners laughed and said they didn't want a Father's Day," according to a 1965 article in *The Spokesman-Review*. "A national fishing day would be better, they told her."

But Dodd persuaded the Spokane Ministerial Association and local YMCA to pass a resolution in support of Father's Day, and the first local observance was held June 19, 1910. Her effort is commemorated on a plaque outside the downtown Y.

The first Father's Day was community-oriented.

"The original Father's Day Association ... and groups of Spokane women prepared home dinners, gathered roses for sacred commemoration and made gifts for shut-in fathers," Dodd said in a 1965 speech for dedication of the YMCA plaque.

Her idea spread to other cities, and

celebrities including orator William Jennings Bryan joined the campaign for a national observance.

"Both Father's and Mother's days rest substantially upon the same commandment, 'Honor thy father and thy mother,'" wrote Bryan, a three-time presidential hopeful, in a 1910 letter to Dodd.

President Woodrow Wilson added his support, and Congress passed a resolution proclaiming a Father's Day in 1914.

It became a national holiday when President Richard Nixon signed a declaration in 1972.

Dodd died in 1978, at the age of 96.

Hospital siege ends when police smash window

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) — Illness had kept Carol Kepner away from her job at Norristown State Hospital for weeks, and she returned only Monday to her work as a nurse manager.

By Friday, she was dead — gunned down, police say, by a disgruntled worker after being held hostage for nearly 48 hours along with another employee, who was also shot but survived.

"It's a shame she wasn't out for another week," said Julie Beyers, who works at a tavern where Kepner ate lunch almost every day. "She would have missed all this."

Kepner, 54, was killed Friday at the end of a two-day standoff between police and fired nurse Dennis Czajkowski, who strode onto the grounds to take her and fellow supervisor Maria Jordan hostage before demanding an investigation into his dismissal.

As the standoff wore on and Czajkowski's demands became more erratic, police decided to get a view of the hostages by smashing a hospital window. As they did, Czajkowski opened fire on the two women, fatally wounding Kepner, police said.

Ms. Jordan, 37, who had also been shot twice earlier, was list-

ed in fair condition at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. Doctors said she would probably leave within a week.

Czajkowski, 40, was being treated for various head and torso injuries.

The 11-year hospital employee was listed in fair condition, and is expected to be arraigned today on a range of charges including charges of first-, second-, and third-degree murder and kidnapping.

Experienced hostage negotiators differed on the police decision to smash the window.

Former New York Police

Department negotiator Frank A. Bolz said the maneuver drove Czajkowski "into a panic situation," which authorities try to avoid.

But he commented that the move was "not inappropriate," given the concerns about the hostages' safety.

Dr. Roger Bell, a University of Louisville psychiatry professor who has studied hostage situations, said Czajkowski's fatigue indicated he would be "more agitated and easily angered" as the crisis continued.

"But what that tells you is that your actions need to be less obtrusive," he said.

Falwell's paper claims 'demonic legend' is behind festival name

ROANOKE, Va. (AP) — The Rev. Jerry Falwell's newspaper, which previously claimed that a popular "Teletubbies" character is a gay role model, now asserts that the all-female Lilith Fair concert tour is named for a demon.

More than 800,000 people attended the summer concert series last year. The third and final tour begins July 8 and features artists including Sheryl Crow, The Dixie Chicks and Queen Latifah.

"Many young people no doubt attend the Lilith Fair concerts not knowing the demonic legend of the mystical woman whose name the series manifests," says the Parents Alert column in the June issue of *National Liberty Journal*.

According to ancient Jewish literature, Lilith was created by God as Adam's first wife, but left Eden after refusing to be submissive to Adam.

The Lilith Fair got its name from the character's original aspect, a woman seeking equality and independence, tour publicist Ambrosia Healy said Friday.

But the column in Falwell's conservative Christian newspaper says there are many conflicting accounts of the Lilith character.

According to pagan legend, it said, Lilith dwelled with demons after leaving Eden and went mad after witnessing the execution of her children. "As a result, she went on a killing spree, seducing and murdering her own demonic male offspring and then slaying their children."

Falwell was ridiculed after the same column in February asserted that the creators of the "Teletubbies" TV series for toddlers intended the character Tinky Winky as a gay role model.

"This Lilith Fair alert is certain to draw more fire, but we are willing to take the heat in order to document the truth behind the benign appearance of this music festival," said the article by senior editor J.M. Smith.

A spokeswoman for Falwell, Beth Bragg, said Friday that the Lynchburg minister had not read the column in the newspaper, in which he is listed as editor and publisher, and wouldn't comment.

"But he has the highest regard and confidence in his editor," she said.

The Lilith character also became the namesake of the Independent Jewish Women's Magazine.

And now, there's help for those with road rage

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

So you're driving 10 mph over the speed limit but you slow down when a tailgater starts honking. Very passive-aggressive.

Or, you speed up when someone tries to pass you. Classic competitive behavior.

Or you scream and pound your steering wheel when construction limits traffic to one lane. Narcissistic personality.

Donald Einreinhofer has been diagnosing the personality types behind raging drivers' worst habits for a year, listening — for \$70 an hour — as motorists vent their frustrations.

The 31-year-old high school teacher, a certified hypnotherapist but not trained as a psychologist — began advertising road rage counseling after he couldn't find anyone to help with his own traffic-related problems.

"It's kind of made me a one-

"The culture is advocating violence as a solution to problems. If you look at movies, if you look at television ... the angry person becomes the hero."

— Carol Rodriguez, Institute of Stress Medicine

man specialty," said Einreinhofer, who offers hourly sessions out of his home in rural Stockholm, N.J.

More than 30 people have paid for one-on-one sessions, and he counsels many others at seminars and one-day classes.

Einreinhofer says passive-aggressive motorists don't start out antagonizing other drivers,

but won't tolerate anyone else they feel is a dangerous driver.

"There's a lot of people who come in with a real law-and-order mentality," Einreinhofer said. "Somehow they feel a compulsion to punish that person."

Einreinhofer says he used to be a passive aggressor, and his pet peeve was tailgating. Now, he uses hypnosis and muscle relaxation exercises to calm down.

He focuses on the good drivers on the road and pulls an imaginary shade over his rear window so he can't see the tailgaters.

Carol Rodriguez, director of the Institute of Stress Medicine in Norwalk, Conn., offers some other advice: Treat other drivers as if they were guests in your home. Focus on the interior of the car, not the exterior. Listen to soft music.

Rodriguez, who has co-written two books on road rage with psychiatrist John Larson, holds six-hour, one-day seminars to calm angry drivers at compa-

nies and American Automobile Association offices.

Neil Turrin, 22, of Clifton, N.J., dropped in on a one-day seminar Einreinhofer held at a bookstore to deal with his rage at being cut off.

He used to swear and stress out when he saw those "stupid drivers. ... They think they're cool when they drive away."

Now Turrin meditates four times a week and does breathing exercises during his 20-minute commute to curb his temper.

He says other motorists could use similar road rage counseling. "There are so many people out there that are a lot worse than me," he said.

Rodriguez said a competitive culture and focus on violence in the mass media is making road rage worse.

"The culture is advocating violence as a solution to problems," she said. "If you look at movies, if you look at television ... the angry person becomes the hero."

Investigators begin hunt for synagogue arsonists

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Federal agents from across the West on Saturday hunted for the arsonists who torched three synagogues and caused about \$1 million in damages that included the loss of a 5,000-volume library.

There were no arrests or suspects, but investigators said they were examining anti-Jewish fliers found at two of the crime scenes. They said leads were developing from calls coming into a federal hotline.

"It's a wide variety. People who may have heard things, or seen things, or just have tips concerning people they think are involved. So, it's a wide range," said FBI spokesman

Nick Rossi.

Jim Adamcik of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, said more than 100 federal agents were involved in the investigation. Adamcik, who is based in Dallas, said agents were called in from several western states.

Authorities declined to discuss specifics of the investigation. Adamcik said the first firefighters at the scene of two of the burned synagogues found containers that the arsonists may have used to hold fuel or chemicals, but he declined to elaborate.

He said federal agents had been divided into three teams and were collecting physical

and photographic evidence at the synagogues.

Early Friday, arsonists torched the 150-year-old Congregation B'nai Israel near downtown, the oldest synagogue west of the Mississippi River, and two suburban synagogues, the Congregation Beth Sholem and the Keneset Israel Torah Center.

The fires happened within minutes of each other shortly after 3 a.m.

The heaviest damage was reported at B'nai Israel, a Reform synagogue in the affluent Land Park district, where thousands of books, some of them hundreds of years old, and hundreds of videotapes were

lost in the flames. Damages were estimated at \$800,000, but Rossi said that figure could rise.

A flier blaming the "International Jewmedia" for the war in Kosovo was found at the Keneset Israel Torah Center.

"We are Slavs, we will never allow the International Jew World Order to take our Land," the flier read. "We fight to keep Serbia free forever."

A clergyman for Sacramento's only Serbian church denied any link to the fires and denounced the arsonists.

"Our church and our people have nothing to do with this act of terror, this act of hate," said the Rev. Dobrovoje Milunovic of the Serbian Orthodox Church.

Judge denies bail for accused radical SLA member

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Bail was denied for the woman captured this week who authorities say is fugitive Symbionese Liberation Army member Kathleen Ann Soliah.

District Judge Kathleen Gearin refused to set bail on Friday, partly because one of the charges against Ms. Soliah carries a penalty of life in prison. Ms. Soliah is accused of planting two pipe bombs under police cars in 1975; the bombs did not explode.

Ms. Soliah, 52, assumed a new life in St. Paul under the alias Sara Jane Olson, authorities said. The suspect has refused to

waive extradition to face the California bomb charges. Her next hearing was scheduled for July 15.

Her lawyer, Howard Bass, did not return phone calls seeking comment. He has not acknowledged whether Mrs. Olson and Ms. Soliah are the same person, but the FBI says fingerprint analysis shows a match.

The 52-year-old woman cap-

tured Wednesday has been quietly living as a doctor's wife, sometime actress and mother of three children.

Meanwhile, Gov. Jesse Ventura said he would sign extradition papers for Ms. Soliah if they are presented to him.

In 1974, the anti-government SLA kidnapped newspaper heiress Patty Hearst. The case

took a bizarre twist when Ms. Hearst sent word that she had joined the group.

When Ms. Hearst was arrested in San Francisco in October 1975, she was living with Ms. Soliah and her brother. Ms. Hearst was convicted of an SLA bank robbery and sent to prison, serving for two years before President Carter commuted her sentence.

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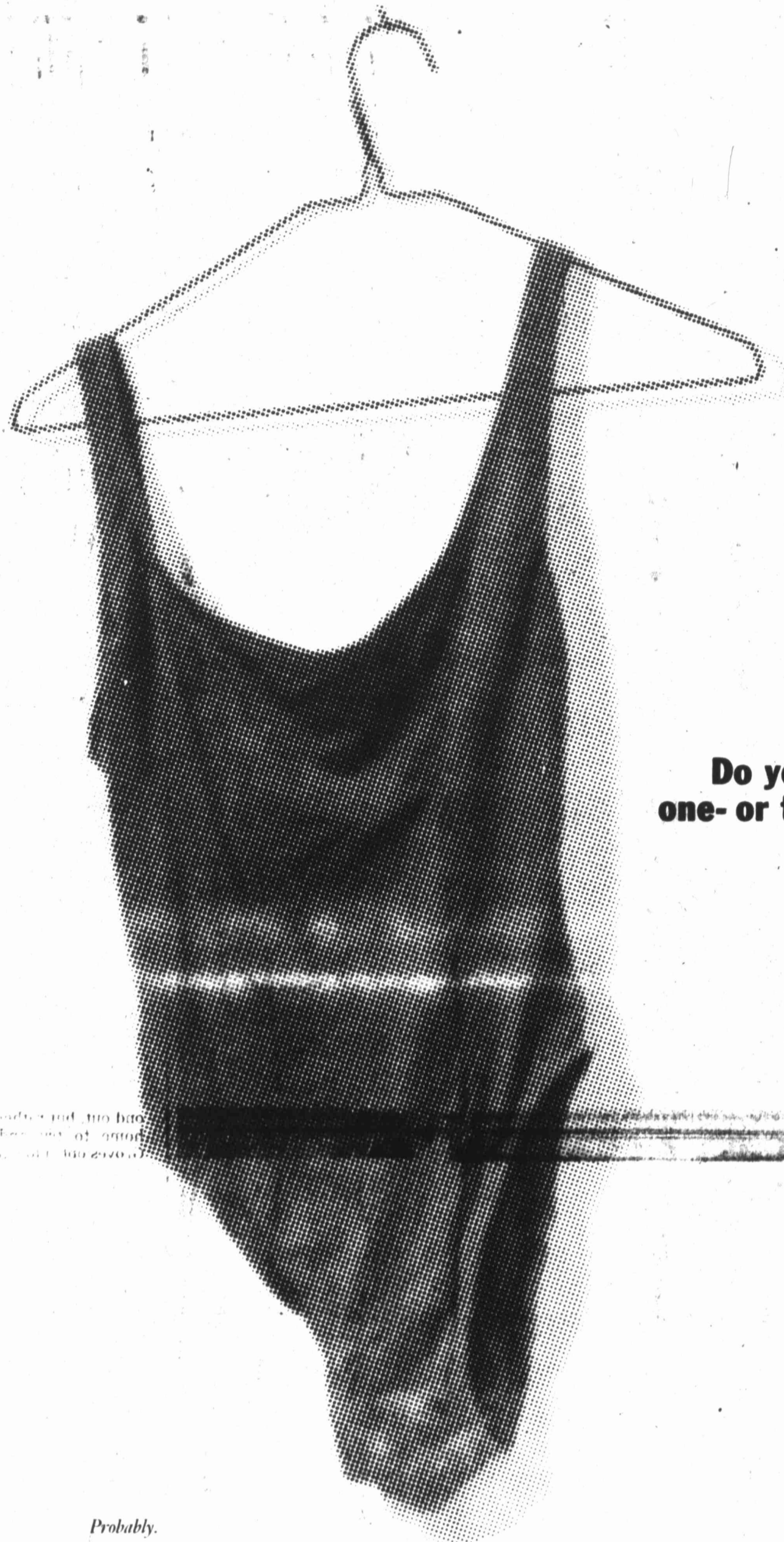
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IN BRIEF

Best of the Rest tourney scheduled for June 26-27

The annual Best of the Rest Golf Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

The tournament's championship flight will be a two-man low ball event, while the rest of the flights will play a scramble format.

Entry fees are \$160 per team plus cart rental. The deadline for entries is Friday.

For more information, call the Comanche Trail pro shop at 264-2366.

Comanche Trail LGA winners announced

Tammy DePaw and Doris Stevenson turned in a 4-over-par 40 to take the win in a nine-hole scramble staged by the Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association on Monday.

Three teams tied with scores of 5-over-par 41, but Jo Ann Hilger and Harriett Richardson took second place on a scorecard playoff.

Nita Evans and Dottie Rogers finished third in the playoff, while Ramona Harris and Patsy Sharpnack were fourth.

In a mixed format playday on June 7, Ward and Sharpnack teamed to post an even-par 36 for first place.

Linda DeWaters and Sue Ann See finished second at 3-over-par, while Daury Cockrell and Connie Fowler were third at 4-over-par 40.

West Texas PGA Juniors set to play here Tuesday

A West Texas PGA Juniors tournament will be played Tuesday at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Jack Birdwell, the course's superintendent, said openings are still open for the field, but youngsters must be registered by Monday.

For more information, call Birdwell at 264-2366.

Lil Diamonds spoil bid for UGSA perfection

The Lil Diamonds ruined the Little Angels' bid to finish the United Girls Softball Association Division IA season in undefeated fashion, taking a 5-3 win, leaving the champions with an 11-1 record.

Amanda Longorio did the biggest damage for the Lil Diamonds offensively with a triple and a single, while teammates Audrey Hartman, Esther Tobar, Mariah Olague, Maci Johnson, Keili Laurent and Lacey Lawrence pounded out singles.

YMCA baseball program slated to begin June 26

The Big Spring YMCA will conduct a baseball program for youngsters between the ages of 5 and 12 begin Saturday.

The program will have T-ball and coach pitch baseball, as well as kid pitch games.

Registration for the program will be \$32 for non-members of the YMCA.

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

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Noon — NASCAR Winston Cup Pocono 500, TNN, Ch. 35.

3 p.m. — CART FedEx Championships Bud-G.I. Joe's 200, ABC, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8.

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7 p.m. — Seattle Mariners at Cleveland Indians, ESPN, Ch. 30.

FOOTBALL

Noon — NFL Europe, Barcelona Dragons at Frankfurt Galaxy, FOX, Ch. 3.

GOLF

11:30 a.m. — U.S. Open, final round, NBC, Ch. 9.

TENNIS

3 p.m. — Quality Challenge, championship match, CBS, Ch. 7.

TRACK

Noon — NCAA Championships, CBS, Ch. 7.

SOCCER

12:30 p.m. — Women's World Cup, Australia vs. Ghana, ESPN, Ch. 30.

UGSA announces five all-star teams headed to playoffs

HERALD Staff Report

Officials with the Big Spring United Girls Softball Association have announced all-star teams in five divisions that will be playing playoff games in July.

The Division IA all-star squad includes Crystal Carrillo, Baylea Fox, Dominique Green, Maci Johnson, Kelsey Jones, Amanda Longorio, Mariah Olague, Andrea Olivarez, Gina Oliveras, Kelly Sage, Valinda Saldivar and Haylea Stuteville. Emily Kosh will be the first alternate, while Brittani Coates is the

second alternate.

Carrie Fox will manage the Division IA All-Stars and will be assisted by coaches Shannon Stuteville and Charlie Kosh.

The Division I All-Stars include Chelsea Anderson, Maria Carrillo, Breanna Connor, Bernadette Flores, Tara Kuykendall, Alyx Pappajohn, Brenna Phernetton, Morgan Reinhart, Lauren Sage, Shelby Stewart, Patricia Trevino, Desiree Yanez. The team's alternates are Jordan Chesworth and Bridgette Rodriguez.

Pam Yanez will be the Division I team's manager and coaches will be

Adam Yanez and Bill Sage.

The Division II All-Stars are Gracie Acosta, Krista Chesworth, Kelsey Eggleston, Rachel Gee, Shannon Higgins, Audomn Johnson, Becky Murphree, Raegan Richey, Courtney Rodriguez, Amber Sides, Kate Smile and Heather Vasar. The alternates will be Kimberly Berry and Neisha Heines.

The Division II team's manager is Laura Murphree. She is assisted by Monica Rubio and Amy Jackson.

Members of the Division III squad include Leina Braxton, Courtney Brock, Bridget Cain, Kim Green, Sheena Howell, Ashley Lang, Samantha Newton,

Jennifer Lopez, Laura Olague, Lindsey Phillips, Erica Stewart and Lindsey Wilks. The alternates are Crystal Clark and Kristin Choate.

The Division III squad's manager is Barbie Stewart, and Tracy Stewart and Jim Bob Phillips serve as coaches.

The Division IV All-Stars are Jackie Brown, Sherry Burdette, Jessica Canales, Trish Fulgham, Athena Hale, Bonnie Knecht, Jessica Mills, Marissa McCartney, Kristi Nelson, Katrina Spargo, Danielle Stokes, Kaci Stokes and Desiree Richardson. They are managed by Thelma Fannin. Marlon Hale and Heather James are the coaches.

Rodeo's leaders holding fast

Steer wrestler manages to join overall leaders

EDITOR'S NOTE: Saturday evening's final performance of the 66th annual Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo was still being contested when the Herald went to press Saturday evening. Complete final results will be included in Monday's edition.

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

While he didn't post the night's best time Yandy Yarborough of Amarillo turned in a time of 4.8 seconds in the steer wrestling to take the overall lead in the event during Friday's third performance of the 66th annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo.

Yarborough's clocking, coupled with his first run of 4.6 seconds, left him with a 9.4 total on two runs, easily eclipsing the 14.3-second mark established by Chad Hunt of New Braunfels on Thursday.

The Amarillo cowboy was the only Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) competitor to move into a top spot in any of the rodeo's six events Friday night.

When a missed flight connection between Flagstaff, Ariz., and Big Spring left five bareback bronc riders unable to reach the rodeo in time to compete Friday, only Gary Lemay of Cleburne was left to come out of the chutes.

Officials delayed the bareback riding until the last minutes in hopes of allowing the tardy cowboys a chance to perform, but they were a no-show.

Lemay managed a 66-point ride aboard "Check Mate," as his turn was worked into the saddle bronc riding where only Bret Franks of Goodwell, Okla., and Steve Keith of Stephenville managed qualified rides of eight seconds.

Franks earned 71 points for his ride atop "High Heaven," while Keith scored 65 points atop "Copenhagen Watford Wolf." Neither of the rides was good enough to put the cowboys in the money.

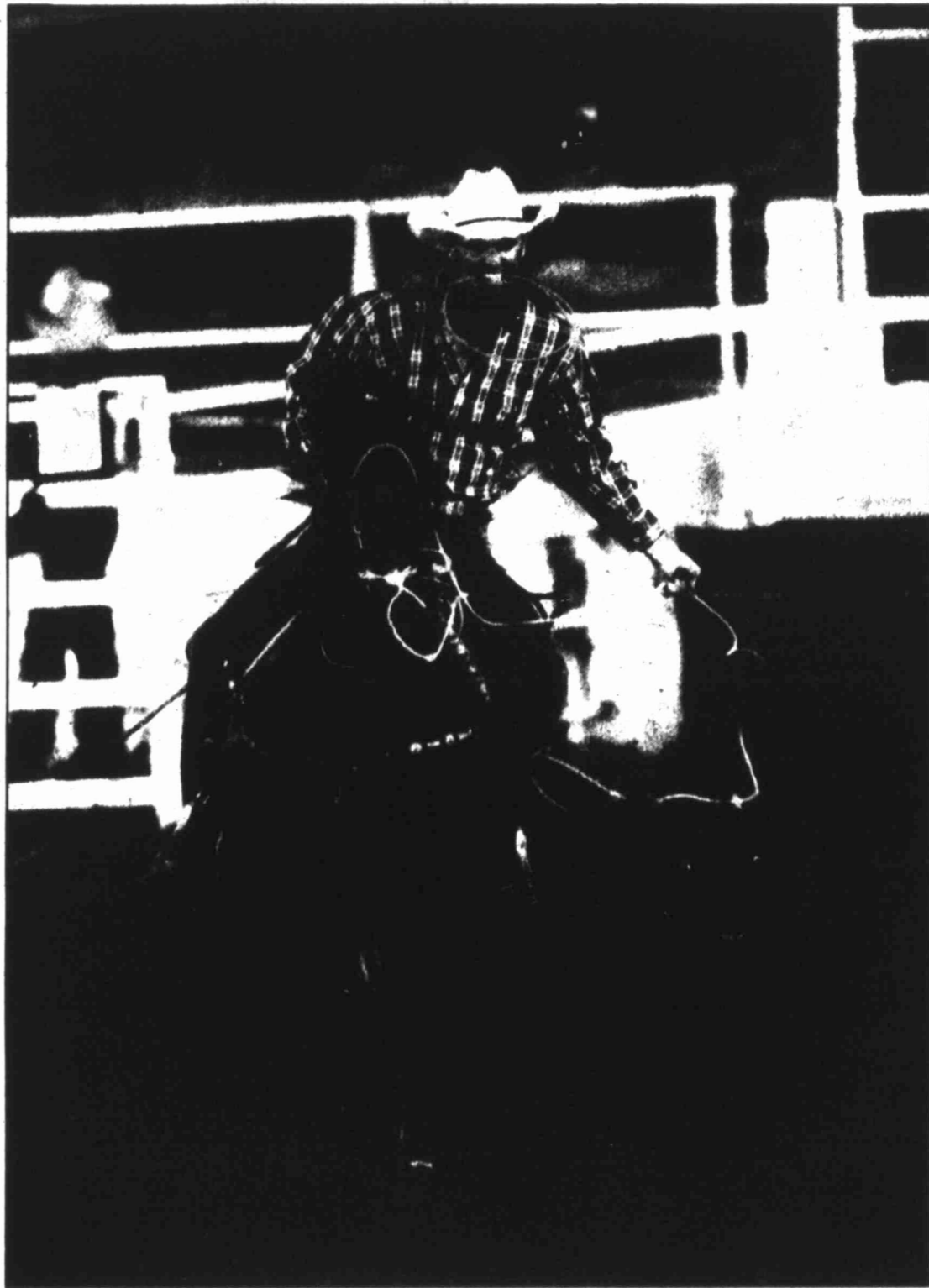
That meant the 84-point ride turned in by William Pittman of Florence, Miss., in Wednesday's first section of bareback riding went into Saturday's finale as the mark to beat.

Roy Sutherland, who posted a 78 in Wednesday's saddle bronc riding, was also the man to beat in that event as Saturday's performance began.

Yarborough had to take a seat to Sam Koenig of Cross Plains during Thursday's steer wrestling competition. Koenig picked up the \$125 bonus from Coca-Cola with a time of 4.2 seconds.

The leaders in the other timed events, Sammy Webb of Crowley in the calf roping and Jymmy Kay Davis of Gonzales in the barrel racing, could not be replaced during Friday's action.

Ashley Looney of Del Rio turned in the best time in the barrel racing with a 17.25-second run, while Dena Kirkpatrick of Post and Shayna Price of Junction both had times of 17.26 seconds. However, they were far from the 16.66 seconds turned in during Wednesday's slack competition.



HERALD photo/Jim Fiero

Chad Perkins of Zephyr snakes his rope toward its target during Friday night's calf roping competition at the 66th annual Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo. Perkins turned in an 11.5-second time, which wasn't close to the 9.4 time turned in by Jay Pool of Big Lake. Pool had the fastest time of the night, but Sammy Webb of Crosley remained the event's leader over two runs going into Saturday night's final round of competition.

Webb continues to lead the overall calf roping lead with a total of 20.9 seconds. The best times turned in during Friday's roping were a 9.4-second run by Big Lake's Jay Pool and a 9.5 seconds posted by Raymond Hollabaugh of Stamford.

While Josh Jameson turned in an impressive 83-point ride aboard "White Lightning" in the final second of bull riding Friday night, that ride was only good enough to put him in second position behind David McLean of Paducah.

Ironically, McLean turned in his rodeo-leading 88-point ride during Wednesday's opening performance while staying aboard "White Lightning" for the full eight seconds.

The second best bull riding showing of the night came from Chris Sorace of Marana, Ariz., as he chalked up a 77-point ride on "Yellow Jacket."

The evening's biggest crowd pleaser, however, proved to be the Tijuana Poker competition where two bulls were summoned to unseat the cowboys from their "card game."

While the first bull was able to chase one contestant very early, it took two near charges by the second "dealer" and finally a burst into one of the two remaining contestants' chairs to bring the game to an end and the crowd to its feet.

Once again it was James Payne, who'd won \$250 during Thursday's game, that was the last to leave the table. In so doing, he pocketed another \$400.

And in Friday's other big crowd pleaser — the mutton bustin' event for youngsters — Klate Graham of Midland turned in an 83-point ride to take home top honors. Alex Moore of Big Spring was the hard luck award winner.

'Texas Football' picks three Crossroads teams, sees six in playoffs

It looks as if the 1999 schoolboy season could again be something special in Crossroads Country.

The so-called "bible" of schoolboy football, *Texas Football Magazine*, is now on newsstands and has three teams from the area ranked as Top 25 squads.

Stanton's Buffaloes, despite returning just one starter on offense and defense from last year's 13-2 state semifinalist, are the No. 18-ranked team in Class 2A.

The real area powerhouse, the magazine says, will be six-man District 6 where the Sands Mustangs are ranked No. 3 in the state, while Borden County is ranked No. 8.

Billy Barnett's Mustangs return every player from the surprising 1998 team that opened the season with an 0-5 mark before shocking Borden County and going on to take the district title.

Of course, the Coyotes have ideas of being just as big a frustration for Sands as the Mustangs were for them a year ago.

In much the same situation as Stanton, Borden County lost heavily to graduation, but *Texas Football's* prognosticators still believe the Coyotes will go a long way in the playoffs.

Ira could be a darkhorse in the district, while Grady is figured as the fourth-place finisher. Westbrook and Hermleigh figure to finish at the bottom of the league.

While Mark Cotton's Buffs are the magazine's pick in District 3-2A, it's clear they could have plenty of trouble living up to those expectations, since Seagraves' Eagles are rated the No. 20

team in Class 2A and Post's Antelopes are right behind in the No. 21 spot.

Coahoma's Bulldogs are picked as the fourth-place team in 3-2A, while Tahoka and Plains are expected to determine the district's cellar dweller.

Closer to home, Big Spring's Steers are rated the team to beat in District 5-4A, while Snyder's Tigers and Andrews' Mustangs are picked to survive and earn playoffs.

If those picks are accurate, the Steers would find themselves again playing in the Class 4A, Division I playoffs.

The magazine sorts out the rest of District 5-4A with Sweetwater in fourth place followed by San Angelo Lake View and Fort Stockton.

After taking the District 2-2A title in their first year down from Class 3A, Sonora's Broncos again figure to be the class in that loop and are ranked No. 22 right behind Seagraves and Post.

Eldorado's Eagles are expected to fin-

ish second in the district and Forsan's Buffs figure to make their second straight postseason appearance as the third-place finisher.

Ozona, Wall and Junction are picked to round out the 2-2A field in that order.

The favorites in District 7-1A seem to always be Wink and Rankin, and 1999 will be no exception. The Wildcats are picked to take the championship and the Red Devils are expected to advance to the playoffs along with them.

Fort Davis and Marfa figure to be the third- and fourth-place teams, while Garden City's Bearcats are picked fifth. Fort Hancock rounds out the field.

Now that summer is almost officially upon us, virtually all of Howard College's sophomore athletes have made commitments to continue their careers

See MOSELEY, page 9A



JOHN A. MOSELEY

CLOSER TO HOME

National Little League slates baseball camp

Big Spring's National Little League will sponsor a baseball camp June 18-20 at the Roy Anderson Complex in hopes of raising enough money to construct a batting cage at its field. The camp will be conducted by American Baseball Camps with a staff composed of former major and minor league players.

A fee of \$85 is required and is open to youngsters between the ages of 7 and 16.

For additional information, call Paul Gibbs at 263-1976.

Butler slated to attend Bob Knight hoops camp

Toney Butler, the grandson of Kay Conner and the late Donald Conner of Big Spring, is scheduled to take part in this week's Bob Knight Basketball Camp in Bloomington, Ind.

Butler, who will be an eighth grader at Delay Middle School in Lewisville this fall, was invited to attend the camp by the Lewisville High School coach after seeing him score 14 points and post double-digit assists in a seventh-grade game last season. He will be among more than 500 players from 35 states and five countries who will attend the camp which begins Tuesday.

Big Spring softball product shines for Lewisville HS

Former Big Spring resident Stepheny Nix was named the most valuable player on the Lewisville Lady Farmers softball team following her play as a first baseman and catcher this past season.

Playing first base and catcher, it was the second straight year she was named the team's top defensive player. In addition, she was named as a second-team selection to the District 5-5A all-district team.

She is expected to take a senior leadership role for the Lady Farmers next season.

The daughter of Hoylene Nix-Leath, Stepheny is the granddaughter of Howard and

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at universities. Karlita Washington, who led the Lady Hawks to a second-place finish in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference women's standings, has signed to play at Rutgers.

With Ricka McKee headed to Emporia State, Latasha Moore signing with Ole Miss and Kim Robertson deciding to end her career, only Jovanae St. Cyr has not made a decision.

Greg Lewis takes the same position from the WJCAC champion Hawks squad. Larry Allaway has signed to play for Billy Tubbs at TCU and Lamont Roberts is headed to Incarnate Word University in San Antonio.

Howard coaches say Lewis is close to making a decision, but have not offered a clue as to which schools he's considering.

Only two of Howard's baseball players have signed baseball scholarships, but another — sophomore left-hander Brandon Claussen — has signed with the New York Yankees' organization and is reporting to a Class A affiliate.

Nick Webb has signed to play his final collegiate seasons with the University of Southwestern Louisiana and Drew Topham signed Friday afternoon with Lamar University in Beaumont.

The only two sophomores on the Lady Hawks softball squad — pitcher Maria Lopez and catcher/third baseman Diana Julian — will again be playing together next season.

Rebecca Smith and Gene and Frances Dixon, all of Big Spring.

Country club schedules tournament for weekend

The Big Spring Country Club will hold its 6-6-6 tournament for Saturday and Sunday with play beginning with a 1 p.m. shotgun start both days.

Originally slated for June 5-6, the event's format will have players playing six holes of low ball, six holes of alternate shot and six holes of scramble play each day.

Fees for the tournament will be \$65 per player plus cart rental. Entry fees include a mulligan and barbecue dinner following play on Saturday.

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

Coahoma booster club seeks new softball field

Members of the Coahoma Booster Club are currently soliciting help for constructing a softball field on the Coahoma High School campus.

For the past five year, Bulldogette softball teams have been playing on city park fields, but school officials and booster club members say they want to build the high school its own field adjacent to the Bulldogs' baseball park.

Organizers say they hope to build the field with donated labor and equipment and are asking local businesses to help by purchasing billboards that will be hung on the outfield fence.

Those 4x8 signs will be \$400 for the first year and \$100 annually thereafter.

For more information, call David Elmore at 394-4759, Gary Stovall at 263-3880 or Don Evans at 393-5578.

Softball, ragball touneys rescheduled for July 10

The Spring City Softball and Ragball Tournament has been rescheduled for Saturday, July 10, at the Roy Anderson Baseball/Softball Complex.

Slated as a fundraiser for the complex, the tournament is being sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee, the tournaments were originally scheduled for this weekend.

Entry fees for the 20-team softball tournament will be \$100 per team, while the fee for the 12-team ragball tournament will be \$80 per team.

For more information, call Chris Cole at 264-2100 or Jesse Rios at 264-6129.

They are headed to NCAA Division II powerhouse Armstrong Atlantic University in Savannah, Ga.

John A. Moseley is sports editor of the Herald.

Spurs fans already celebrating, eye sweep

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Somebody forgot to tell Spurs fans that the celebrating is supposed to wait until the series is officially over.

From their looks early Saturday, it appeared that the Spurs already had won their first NBA title.

The euphoria over Game 2 lasted past midnight in this small-market city, with horn-honking fans descending on downtown and waving brooms out their car windows. It might have been the first 1 a.m. traffic jam in San Antonio's history.

Some of those fans were undoubtedly among the nearly 40,000 chanting "Sweep, Sweep" during the fourth quarter of San Antonio's 80-67 victory over the New York Knicks Friday night, and none of them expect the series to return here for Games 6 or 7.

After what they've saw in the first two games, it's hard to blame them.

It's not so much that the Spurs have dominated New

York, it's more that the Knicks simply appear to be too small, too injured and too spent to put up a decent fight against an opponent that hasn't lost in more than five weeks.

"Playing the Knicks is not easy," David Robinson said. "They are very explosive. Those guys run all over the place, they get to the boards extremely well."

"I don't know what it looks like, but they're making us work very hard. They're not quitting."

Nor should the Knicks be expected to quit when the series shifts to Madison Square Garden for Game 3 Monday night.

Only two teams in NBA history have come back from 2-0 deficits to win the finals, and no team ever has come back after trailing 3-0.

If that's not enough motivation for the Knicks, perhaps coach Jeff Van Gundy found some nugget of overconfidence in the postgame quote sheets he

picked up on his way out of the Alamodome Friday night.

A sampling of what the Spurs had to say: — Avery Johnson: "Being up 2-0 and feeling like we are one of the best road teams in the NBA, we feel like we're in a good situation."

— Steve Kerr: "We haven't lost in the playoffs on the road yet, either, and this is the best team we've played in the playoffs. So, it's not going to be easy, but we like our chances."

— Tim Duncan: "We know what we have to do — get two more. However we get it, we're not thinking sweep. We never think sweep. We think one game at a time, no matter how cliché that sounds."

One obstacle the Spurs will be facing is the Knicks' knack for playing some of their best basketball when their circumstances seem most dire.

In the first round, things looked bleak for the Knicks after they failed to close out the Heat in Game 4 and had to go to

Miami for Game 5.

In the Eastern Conference finals, the Knicks were facing the prospect of a 3-2 deficit when they went to Indianapolis for Game 5 and pulled out the victory.

During the regular season, there were numerous times when New York turned it up a notch just when things appeared hopeless.

"We definitely are upset with ourselves," New York's Marcus Camby said. "We feel we could have come out here and got this one."

Since the NBA went to a 2-3-2 format for the finals in 1985, no home team has won all three middle games.

The Knicks will have to deal with the fact that San Antonio has played better on the road during the postseason than it has at home.

In the first three rounds of the playoffs, San Antonio averaged 96.2 points per game on the road and won by an average of 13.4 points.

Cho throws Red Sox to 7-4 win over Rangers

BOSTON (AP) — Whenever the Boston Red Sox have needed starting pitching help this season, they've turned to their Triple-A team. They certainly haven't been let down.

Jin Ho Cho became the latest success story, going six-plus innings in his first major league win as the Red Sox defeated the Texas Rangers 7-4 on Saturday.

"Pretty special," said Red Sox manager Jimmy Williams of his newly found Pawtucket-to-Boston pitching express. "They've really done an outstanding job."

Right-handers Cho, Brian Rose and Juan Pena are 7-0 with a 2.11 ERA in 11 starts. Rose has been the most impressive, 4-0 with a 1.85 ERA in seven games. Pena won his only two starts before being disabled with a sore shoulder.

"He looks like he's a little more comfortable out there," Red Sox shortstop Nomar Garciaparra said of Cho. "He was doing a great job throwing the pitches he wanted for strikes."

Cho (1-0), a 23-year-old Korean right-hander signed by Boston, on March 30, 1998, gave up five hits and four runs in six-plus

innings. He was 0-3 with an 8.20 ERA in four starts last year and made just one prior start this season after being recalled on June 14.

"(I'm) communicating better with the players this year and can fix the problems," Cho said through an interpreter.

Garciaparra hit a solo homer and an RBI double. Jose Offerman stopped his worst slump of the season, going 3-for-5 with an RBI, and Mike Stanley added a solo home run as the Red Sox won for just the fifth time in their last 14 games.

Todd Zeile had a three-run homer and Ivan Rodriguez had a solo shot for Texas, which lost for just the ninth time in its last 38 games.

Texas starter Mark Clark was hit hard in his fourth straight road start, giving up four runs and seven hits in only 1 1/3 innings.

"I was thinking that if we could get him five innings and he could have a good night's sleep that I'd be happy," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "I was looking to get him out on a positive note and that didn't happen. He's struggling right now. We've got to find a way to

help him."

The Red Sox took the lead for good and chased Clark (3-7) with three runs in the second. Offerman, in a 1-for-18 slump, and Brian Daubach each had RBI singles before Garciaparra's run-scoring double pushed Boston in front 4-3 and knocked Clark out of the game.

Clark is 0-4 in his last four starts. He has allowed 26 runs in 12 1/3 innings to raise his ERA from 6.68 to 8.72.

Zeile, who booted a grounder in the first that gave Boston a 1-0 lead, pushed Texas ahead 3-1 in the top of the second with his homer following singles by Lee Stevens and Rodriguez.

Trot Nixon's RBI double in the sixth off reliever John Burkett made it 5-3, snapping the Rangers bullpen's scoreless string at 21 innings.

Rodriguez homered to lead off the seventh to cut it to 5-4 before Garciaparra, who went 3-for-3, and Stanley connected off Danny Patterson in the bottom of the inning.

Indians 10, Mariners 6

CLEVELAND (AP) — Roberto Alomar and Manny Ramirez hit

back-to-back homers in Cleveland's five-run fourth inning and Dave Burba pitched seven solid innings Saturday, powering the Indians to a 10-6 win over the Seattle Mariners.

Burba (7-2) allowed five runs and nine hits for the win.

The Mariners loaded the bases with none out in the ninth off reliever Paul Shuey. Mike Jackson replaced Shuey and got Alex Rodriguez to ground into a double play, scoring one run, and struck out Ken Griffey Jr. for the save.

The Mariners made two errors and Allen Watson (0-1) threw a wild pitch in the fourth, allowing five unearned runs.

Cardinals 7, Mets 6

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mark McGwire ended a 32 at-bat home run drought with a three-run shot in the first inning as the St. Louis Cardinals beat the New York Mets 7-6 Saturday.

McGwire had been 5-for-30 with one RBI in the first eight games of a 13-game homestand before victimizing Jason Isringhausen (1-2) for his 20th homer on a 3-2 pitch, a towering drive over the center-field wall.

Turin gets 2006 Winter Games as IOC snubs Swiss

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The IOC delivered a massive snub to Switzerland — and the Swiss official who blew the whistle on Olympic corruption — when it selected Italy as the host for the 2006 Winter Games.

A backlash associated with the Olympics' worst scandal helped the city of Turin upset the favored Swiss town of Sion in Saturday's vote by the International Olympic Committee.

Even more surprising than the result was the margin of

Turin's victory. The Italians won 53-36, a stunning defeat for a Swiss bid that was considered the front-runner all along.

The vote — the first selection of an Olympic host city since the Salt Lake City bribery scandal — immediately produced anger, bitterness and recrimination by the Swiss toward the Swiss-based IOC.

Swiss officials accused IOC members of basing their choice on political motives that had nothing to do with the quality of the bids.

"The difference in votes was grotesque, ridiculous," the Swiss economic minister, Pascal Couchepin, said. "It makes one question the IOC."

Added Swiss IOC member Denis Oswald: "Sion wasn't the loser, Sion was a victim. Today, the IOC was the loser."

Sion clearly paid the price of resentment toward Marc Hodler, the Swiss IOC executive board member who kick-started the scandal in December with allegations of corruption.

"The decision was not about

sports or organizing the Olympic Games," said Jean-Loup Chappelet, Sion's technical director. "It was just because they don't like Marc Hodler."

Hodler suggested he was a pawn in a backlash fomented by Sion's rivals.

"That argument was used with the members by our opponents," he said. "But that was not the only thing. It was against Switzerland, that the Swiss have too much influence on the IOC."

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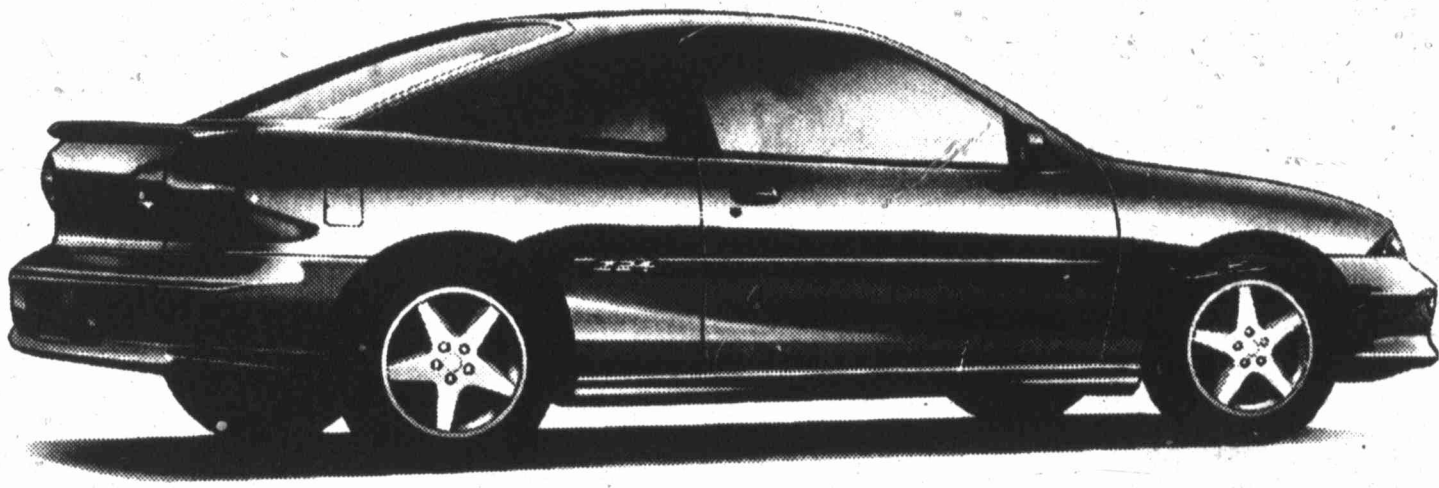
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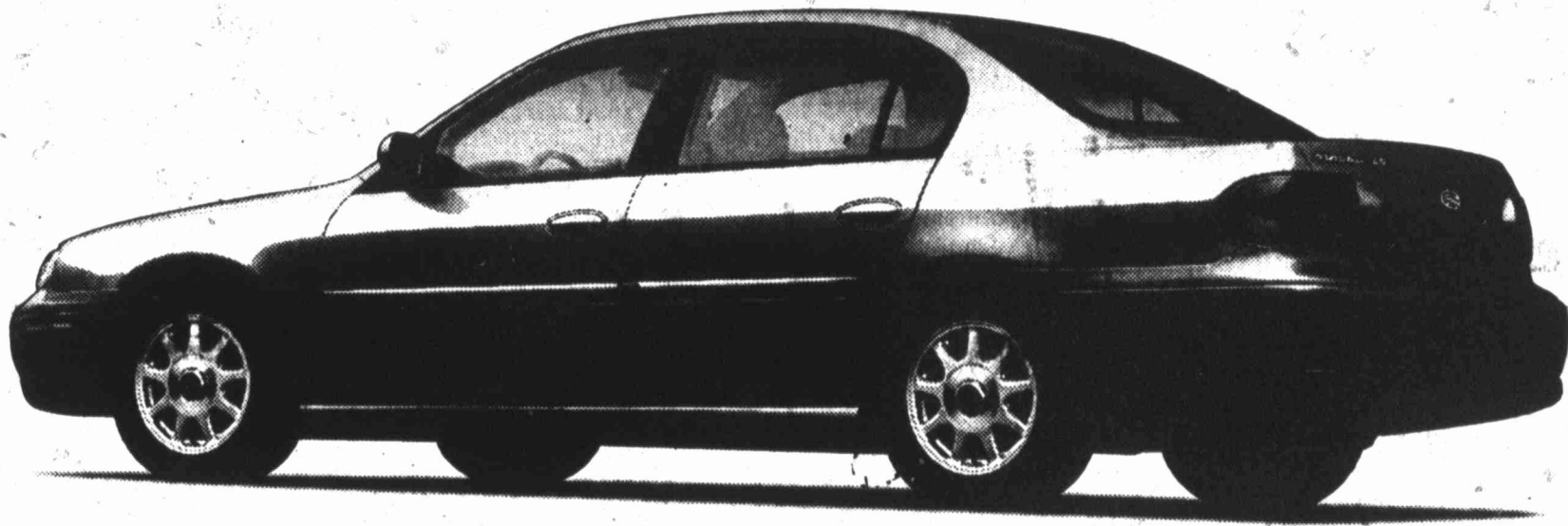
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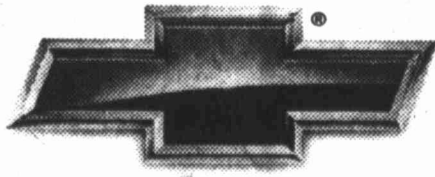
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A FATHER IS FOREVER

Polly Lancaster arrived at Mountain View Lodge nearly Thursday morning, her arms filled with a giant balloon bouquet and several cards. It was her father, Conny Wade's, 76th birthday.

"Goodness, sakes alive," said Wade, greeting his daughter with a smile. A widower, he has needed the round-the-clock care a nursing home can provide since he suffered a stroke in 1994.

"I loved my work at Cosden," he said, describing 30 years with the company, years filled with travel all over the country on business trips. Wade has visited all 50 states.

At home, Lancaster said, her father "fixed everything."

"It didn't matter if it was the washer, TV, our appliances, he fixed anything we had," she said. After he retired, his wife, Norma Wade, told their three daughters she never knew what he'd bring home from his frequent trips to Radio Shack.

"I've had a good life," Wade said, telling of family vacations to the Grand Canyon, and travels to many other countries with his wife of 52 years. Wade has four grandchildren, one great-grandson and another on the way.

As a young father, he was active in his church, and very complimentary of his daughters, Lancaster recalled. Education, she added, was at the top of his list of priorities.

The World War II veteran remembered life as the home's only male as "quite interesting."

"I didn't get my way much," he said. But, he added, he was proud of his girls.

"You're darn right," he punctuated the statement. "And I still am."

After the stroke, Lancaster saw her relationship with her father change greatly.

"It is an adjustment to take over the responsibility for your parent," Lancaster said. "You kind of become the caregiver."

"He's always glad to see me," Lancaster said. "I think he realizes the preciousness of our time together."

When Joe Clark, the only son and one of two children of Eugene and Claudie Clark, had to seek nursing home care for his father, he and his sister had to clean out the house. "It was kind of sad in a way," Clark said.

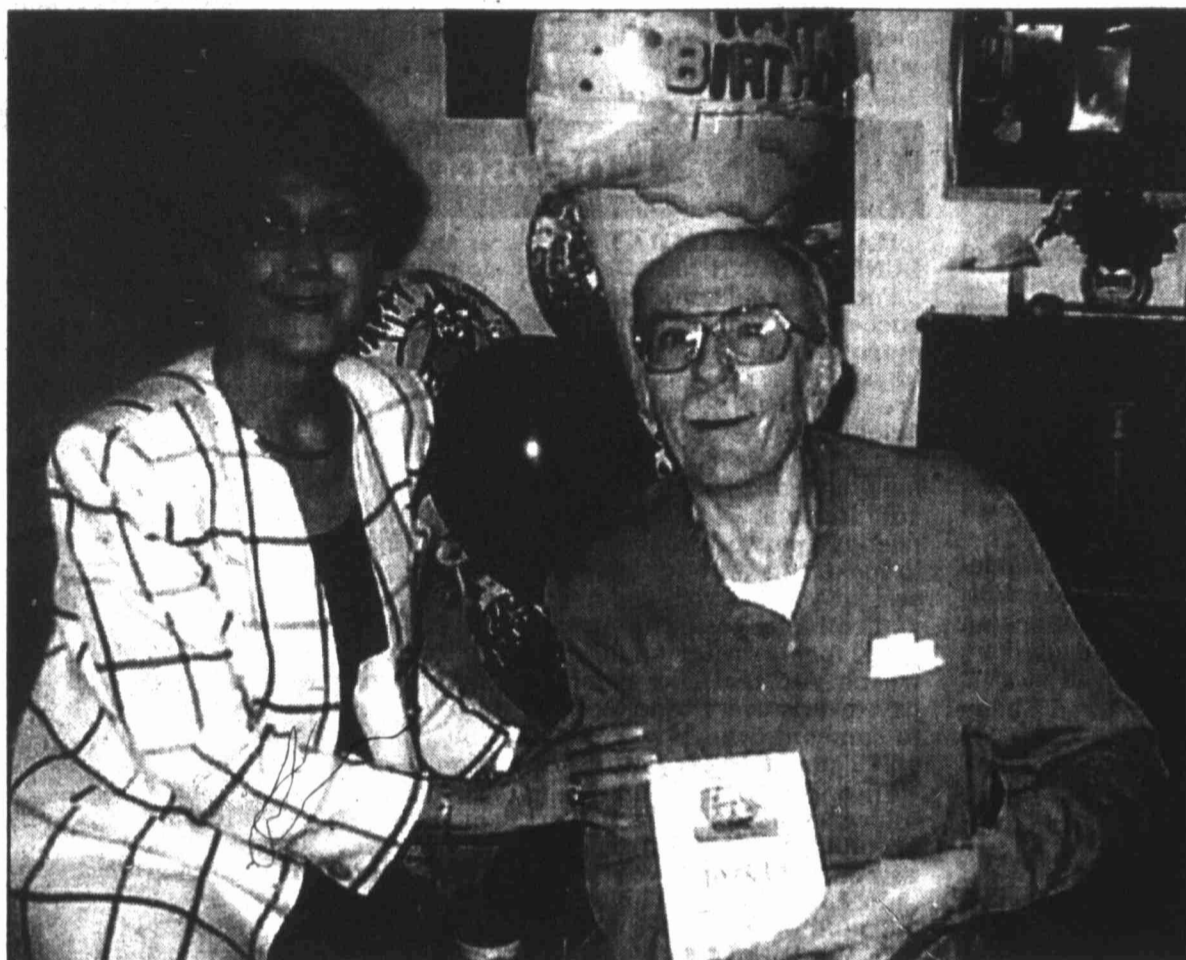
"They never threw anything away. I've got his 1941 and '42 tax returns. We found photos of people we had

no way of knowing who they were."

One photograph that he treasured most showed his parents, shortly after they married in 1934, sitting on a highway culvert, taking a break during a trip to Lubbock. Claudie Clark died last summer, after she and Eugene had been married 64 years.

Since Alvin Baker moved into Big Spring Care Center, three years ago, he's never had a shortage of family visits. In fact, someone from his large, close family spends time with Baker every day.

"Daddy was really the one who told us (it was time



In the photos: At left, Polly Lancaster visited her father, Conny Wade, at Mountain View Lodge, for his birthday Thursday; below, left, Joe Clark and his father, Eugene Clark, visit at Comanche Trail Nursing Center; and below, Alvin Baker, front center, is visited by his family that includes, back row, left to right, Jimmy Baker, Joe McCormick, Jesse Baker, Glenda Bray and Edward Roach; second row, Alice Wright, Audie Baker, Susie Roach, Ashley Baker and Kassi Roach; front row, Breanna Baker.



for a nursing home)," said his daughter, Susie Roach. "It was hard for everyone." Now the family, including Alvin and Audie Baker's eight children, 18 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren cope with the separation by visiting. "He kind of depends on us," Roach said. "He looks forward to these visits."

TRIBUTES TELL OF FATHERS PRESENT, ABSENT AND ALWAYS LOVED

Several readers wrote us letters and poems about fathers in a variety of family situations. Here's a sample:

"What do you say about a young man that I've been proud of all his life? ... Now as a man I'm so proud of him. He has faced divorce and being a parent not like any other man I know. He called them every night, before they came to live with him, just to tell them goodnight.

Now they all (three) live with him, and I've seen him cooking supper, giving baths and ... cooking cookies with them. Skyler, his oldest son is 10 and Jace is 8. They both play football. Hailey is 7 and will be in second grade. In the morning, Dad makes a good hair day for her, all this before he goes to work full-time at Western Container. He goes to all the teachers' meetings and school functions.

I take pride in talking of Terry Joe Sandridge, my son's, many talents as a father and wonderful man."

Brenda Sandridge Stansel

D.D. Johnston wrote about his dad, born in 1883 in Scurry County, who moved to Big Spring in 1930. He had already worked at many jobs — cowboy, farmer and rancher, and played baseball for the old Texas League in Austin and Waco. In 1929, his health began to fail, a problem that would plague him throughout the rest of his life.

But the family operated a successful coal and feed yard at First Street and Johnson. Then in World War II, the youngest son was killed by a suicide bomber in the Philippines.

"This was the only time we saw my father cry!" Johnston wrote.

In 1950, tragedy struck the family again, when their father was killed in an accident by a drunk driver.

"As I stood at his casket, I thanked him for being my father and dad. I asked God to let him have a good resting place and no sickness.

"So this Father's Day, just tell dear Dad, 'Thanks for being Dad.'"

Javier F. Casillas, an inmate in Fort Stockton, wrote this letter from the point of view of a child whose father is in prison or jail this Father's Day:

"Daddy, you can't hold us if you're in prison, or put a Band-aid on our knees. What about our birthdays, Daddy? You can't help us blow out candles, or look at the rocks and bugs we've found, if you're nowhere around, Daddy?"

"Don't you care how you make us feel, or what you've put us through, Daddy? Do you maybe really not want us? ... Please don't do wrong, Daddy, you have to teach us how to be. You can't do that from a prison cell. ...

"So to all you daddies that won't be home with your kids this Father's Day, remember this: Your babies will go to bed at night and cry themselves to sleep feeling that there were more important things to you that being at home with them. Wherever you are, happy Father's Day, Daddy."

Jason's battle with the big fish ended in a broken record

We have a celebrity in our family, so please forgive a rather personal column this time.

First, a bit of background. My great-grandson, Jason Lamb, used to live in Big Spring and his father graduated from high school here. Jason was always where his dad was if possible. Since Jerry, the dad, was always an avid fisherman and hunter, it follows that Jason learned early to love the sport, too. In fact, he went fishing while still almost a toddler. He loved to ride in the boat and would sit for hours and play with his little cars while he was still too small to fish. In fact, if he had a choice between playing with his young friends or going fishing with Dad, he always chose the fishing. He is now 16 years old and

attends school in Flower Mound (just outside Dallas). In fact, as soon as he is 17, he's been promised a job in a sporting goods store. Meanwhile he will work part time and finish high school.

On May 27, he and a couple of his buddies decided to go to Lake Ray Roberts, which is north of Denton. They didn't take the boat, but fished from a dock. Jason was having fun with a very light rod and reel and a 6-pound test Trillene

line. He was catching small fish and releasing them.

Suddenly the water exploded where he cast his lure. Immediately upon setting the hook he realized he had something quite large and very active. Naturally he was excited but he remembered his Dad's earlier teaching and knew his line could be snapped easily. Carefully he played the fish ... giving line when the fish decided to go another direction.

Soon he had a large audience and everyone fishing nearby withdrew their lines so that he would have room to work with his fish.

After what seemed a long while, he said later, the fish became tired and he was able to lead it up to the dock. The boys didn't have a dip net, so



Jason and the big bass.

Jason reached (carefully) into the giant black bass's mouth and pulled him onto the dock at 9:20 p.m.

Due to its size and the very lightweight tackle used, the authorities weighed and measured the catch. It weighed ten pounds, five ounces, and was 24.5 inches long, a prize winner.

When they checked, it had broken the world record. Excitement reached a very high level and Jason called his dad at home to tell him the news. However, the record wasn't accurate because a fellow in California had broken the world record on that pound test line less than a week before. The information just hadn't reached the Texas lake.

The fish will be kept in an aquarium at a place near where

he caught the fish until all the paperwork and records are completed to be sent to the International Game Fish Association.

Jason then plans on releasing the fish back into the lake, but will have a replica mounting made.

While he did not break the world record, he now holds the Texas State record and is mighty proud of that fact. He did, however, break the world record in the junior division.

Any bass fisherman knows how easily a fish that size can snap a line, so our congratulations go out to Jason for keeping his wits and skills intact, and playing it "cool" as the youngsters say.

Myrtle Griffith writes a monthly column for the Big Spring Herald.

WEDDINGS

Shanks-Fields

Melissa Ann Shanks and Alton Clark Fields exchanged wedding vows on June 5, 1999, at East Fourth Street Baptist Church with Rev. Dudley Mullins officiating.

She is the daughter of Jimmy and Sandy Shanks of Big Spring, and the granddaughter of Wade and Dorothy Shanks of Big Spring.

He is the son of Alton and Becky Fields of Big Spring, and the grandson of J.M. Ringener and Frances Ringener, both of Big Spring.

Vocalist was J.P. Shanks, cousin of the bride, and Timothy Shanks was the guitarist.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a sleeveless princess style gown of white satin. It was accented with a bow on the back waist. Her headpiece was a halo of rhinestones and pearls and held a two-tiered veil accented with pearls.

She carried a cascading bouquet of blush pink roses and baby's breath.

Maid of honor was Summer Rauls of Big Spring.

Bridesmaids were Laurie Barraza, Becky McComb, Lana Henderson and Mandy Murphy, all of Big Spring.

Janessa Ringener was the flower girl, and Jared Ringener was the ringbearer.

Cass Blackshear, Big Spring, served as best man.

Serving as groomsmen were Brandon Barber of Allen, Grey Basden of Houston, Michael Hatfield of Dallas and Mike Billingham of Austin.

Ushers were Jimmy and Timothy Shanks, brothers of



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bride, and Jon Downy, all of Big Spring.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

The wedding cake was five floating tiers, a double layer cake with butter cream icing decorated with pink wild roses and garland and topped with parent's cake topper.

The groom's cake was a double layered chocolate cake with strawberry filling and cream cheese icing surrounded by chocolate covered strawberries, and topped with a red Texas Tech emblem.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Forsan High School and is a 1999 graduate of Tarleton State University.

The groom is a 1993 graduate of Forsan High School and is a 1998 graduate of Texas Tech.

Following a wedding trip to Colorado, the couple will make their home in Midland.

Gibson-Kincheloe

April Lynn Gibson of Big Spring, and Steven Craig Kincheloe were united in marriage on May 22, 1999, at Cook County in Chicago, Ill., with Judge Gerald T. Rohrer officiating.

She is the daughter of Vickie Gibson and Thomas Ragsdale of Big Spring.

He is the son of Joe and Ronda Kincheloe of Big Spring, and the grandson of Les and Venetta Kincheloe of Big Spring.

The bride was given in marriage by her mother.

She is a 1999 graduate of Big Spring High School.

The groom is a 1998 graduate of Big Spring High School and is in the Navy.



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ODDS-N-ENDS

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — James Karim Muhammad wants a new trial for his police brutality case — based on the doings of a juror.

Muhammad, whose federal lawsuit was rejected by the jury, argues that a drawing one of the jurors made of him during trial proves the juror wasn't paying attention "during key points in the testimony." A hearing is scheduled for July 19.

The juror, a graphic artist whose identity has not been released, gave his handiwork to U.S. District Judge Marilyn Hall Patel, who presided at the trial.

Deputy City Attorney Peter Hallifax said Wednesday the city will fight the motion.

"There is nothing to prevent (jurors) from doodling during down time," Hallifax said. "It is not quite clear when he drew the picture."

The jury took two hours to clear several Oakland police officers and employees of a towing company of allegations they brutalized Muhammad, 65, in 1996 during efforts to tow his car away.

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IN THE MILITARY

Brent Sisson, son of Neal and Christy Sisson of Stanton, entered active duty in the U.S. Air Force on June 9.

Sisson is a graduate of Big Spring High School. Upon successfully completing the Air Force's six week basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, he is scheduled to receive technical training in the special purpose vehicle and equipment maintenance career field. Sisson will also be earning college credits towards an Associate Degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

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Spencer's last novel is heavenly romance

"Then Came Heaven." LaVyrle Spencer. The Bpkley Publishing Group, New York, New York. April, 1999. 343 pages.

Eddie Olczak is the janitor and handyman for the Catholic church and its connecting school.

He is a loving father of two young girls, as well as a devoted husband to his beautiful young wife. One tragedy changes his entire world — his wife is killed when a train hits her car. As the community joins together to mourn her loss, they also offer comfort to the grieving Olczak family.

Sister Regina, the Olczak girls' school teacher, was also close to the beloved mother and wife.

At such an emotional time she finds her desire to physically console members of the family restricted by the Benedictine religious vows. As the months pass, the Olczaks' grieving eases to a degree. At the same time, Sister Regina still finds it difficult to deal with her worldly emotions and begins to question the severe restrictions of her order.

While each of the adults is dealing with personal problems, they become aware of the strong feelings that are aroused when they are in the company of each other.

LaVyrle Spencer has returned to her roots in the story of "Then Came Heaven." She bases this novel in her hometown of Browerville, Minnesota, a small town of about 800 people. The action takes place in the early 1950s.

While the story is fiction, it is obvious that many of the religious Catholic and ethnic Polish practices and habits were those practiced as she was growing up.

Spencer has the ability to depict the depth of anguish of making life-changing decisions, as well as to portray the

intense love one human can have for another. She draws the reader into the feeling of the characters, and it is almost impossible to not become involved in the lives of the various personalities.

LaVyrle Spencer's 22nd book, "Then Came Heaven," will be her last.

After her publishing successes, she has decided to retire; while her decision is obviously a good one for her and her family, it certainly will be a loss for readers who enjoy her high standard of writing.

Not only should you choose to read this latest novel, her previous works remain worth your time.

RATING: (****) four out of four = A Heavenly Romance!



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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 20:

Focus on accomplishment, success and making your life more comfortable. Luck is unusually high; you are able to create what you want.

Friendship plays an enormous role in your decisions and your long-term directions. Network, communicate, reach out to friends and work toward goals to make this an unusually successful year. If you are single, you're likely to tumble into a very special relationship, in which you feel like you can have nearly everything. Be open to someone who is very optimistic and positive. If attached, building stronger foundations allows greater closeness. Work on building a better friendship as well as a closer love relationship. LIBRA can be a lot of fun!

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive;

3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ****Catch up on important communication. Hook up with friends. Surprises comes your way if you are open to another's ideas and positive energy. Complete a project, then make time for some recreation. Enjoy yourself! Tonight: Socialize.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ****Make hay while you can. Remain playful and receptive to what others suggest. A child or loved one adores your attention. You could feel tense about spending. You know how to say, "No!" Slow down and allow yourself some R & R time. Tonight: Put up your feet and relax.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ****Don't let pressure escalate. Handle a home project early in the day. An invitation has you dancing out the door. Reach out to others. Allow greater caring to flow. News from a distance has you daydreaming. Schedule a trip in the near future. Tonight: Play the night away.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ****You could feel pressured to make a must appearance. Catch up with friends and do some visiting. Think about catching some rays at the beach or at a favorite outdoor spot. A partner has much to share; spend some quality time together. Tonight: Make it easy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ****Intuition and news mix. You now know which way to go. Listen carefully to a friend who informs you of the pros and cons of a particular friendship. Let your imagination flow. Partners enjoy your creativity. Together, you will have more fun. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ****Don't let social pressure gnaw at you. You know what works for you - and what doesn't. Clarity can make a big difference with decisions involving money and partners. Check out

an investment. Allow your mind to roam as you peruse opportunities. Tonight: Your treat.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ****Take your time getting up and going. Think through a decision involving a partner and a potential trip. Brainstorm with others. Be willing to share your resources and your mind. A child or loved one piques your imagination - do more sharing. Tonight: Let it all hang out.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ****Be clear about your choices involving work and day-to-day life. You could overestimate your energy levels. Be realistic about how much you can accomplish. Make plans for brunch with friends. Keep in mind that you need some leisure time, too! Tonight: Play it low-key.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ****Assume responsibilities, bring friends and family together. A loved one is absolutely delightful this morning. Later, seek out your friends or start a spontaneous party. The more, the merrier. Refuse to let anyone pressure you. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ****Take an overview, make calls, gather information. You might not see eye-to-eye with others. Discuss the source of a problem before it festers. Consider restructuring your work or perhaps trying a different schedule. A parent appreciates your attention. Tonight: In the limelight.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ****Examine what you want from one particular friend. Your views on pleasure, children and/or the basics of living could be diametrically opposed. Take a new route if necessary. Detach, think and reflect. Another perspective opens a door. Tonight: To the movies.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ****Remain in touch with your long-term goals within a relationship. Sometimes you might find it easier to roll with opposition than to take a stand. A partner or a dear friend offers many different ideas. Do not lose your centering. Tonight: A deep conversation.

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STORK CLUB

Veronica Kae Chavarria, girl, June 7, 1999, 12:15 a.m., eight pounds three ounces and 21 inches long; mother is Lisa J. Chavarria.

Grandparents are Manuel and Karla Chavarria, Big Spring.

Alexis Isabel Rocha, girl, June 8, 1999, 11:23 a.m., eight pounds five ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Marcos and Delfina Rocha.

Grandparents are Marcos and Juana Rocha and Raul and Rosa Garcia, Jr., all of Big Spring.

Wanda Faye Lewis, girl, June 8, 1999, 9:25 p.m., seven pounds four ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Colonel and Ronda Lewis.

Grandparents are Carl and Annita Bacon of Coahoma, Jesse Lewis of San Angelo, and the late Wanda Lewis.

Big brother is Ronnie William Thompson of Coahoma.

Abbie Kay Daniels, June 8, 1999, 2:44 p.m., six pounds two ounces and 19 inches long; parents are Brad and Kara Daniels of Springfield, Mo.

Grandparents are Jimmy and Pat Daniels of Big Spring, Linda Mitchel of Sherman, and Gary Hendrix of Decatur.

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GETTING ENGAGED



Sara Lovett of San Angelo, and Sgt. David Anderson of Bastrop, will exchange wedding vows on Aug. 7, 1999, in Johnson City.

She is the daughter of Gary and Amy Lovett, formerly of Coahoma.

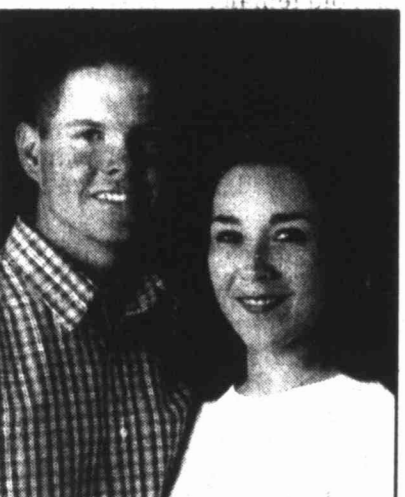
He is the son of Paul and Sherry Jenkins of Bastrop.



Katina Palmer and Kevin Carlile, both of Amarillo, will unite in marriage on July 31, 1999, at the Dora Roberts Community Center with China Long officiating.

She is the daughter of Johnny and Donna Palmer of Big Spring.

He is the son of Buster and Pam Carlile of Big Spring, and the grandson of Joe Carlile and the late Elwood Carlile, and Gladys Merrell and the late R.T. Merrell, all of Big Spring.



Stacey Nicole Taliaferro, Arlington, and Michael Lee King, Mesquite, will be united in marriage on June 26, 1999, in Duncanville.

She is the daughter of Lloyd and Pat Taliaferro of Huntsville.

He is the son of Tom King and the late Gladys Marie King of Midland, and the grandson of B.J. Williams and the late Nadine Williams of Knott.

WHO'S WHO

For the 1999 Spring session at Baylor University, 1,696 students were named to the Dean's Academic Honor List.

To be named to the Dean's List, a student must be an undergraduate with a minimum grade-point average of 3.7 while enrolled in a minimum of 12 semester hours.

Among those listed was: Nicole Ann Rubio Johnson of Big Spring.

Texas A&M University has named its honor students for the 1999 spring semester, recognizing several thousand students for outstanding academic performances.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes students who have maintained at least a 3.75 grade point ratio. "Distinguished Student," recognizes students who earned a 3.25 to 3.75 GPR.

Among those recognized were: Dustin Joe Gaskins of Knott, Dallas Ryan Hopper, Benjamin Andrew Inman, Jacob Todd and Angela Kay Sturm, all of Big Spring.

Diplomas were awarded to 4,305 Texas A&M University graduates during spring commencement ceremonies.

Among those receiving degrees were: Justinderek Phillips with a BS in Computer Engineering-cpsc, Kay Holley Armstrong with a BBA in Accounting, both of Big Spring, and Justin Keith Wood of Coahoma, with a BS in Agribusiness.

Wood was also named to the Commandant's Honor Roll for the Corp of Cadets.

Southern Illinois University Carbondale recognized 2,918 degree candidates during commencement ceremonies held May 14 and 15 at Shryock Auditorium and the SIU Arena. Among those was Maria Elena Villarreal of Big Spring.

Southern Illinois University's Carbondale has named 2,130 students to its spring semester dean's list. These students make up the top 15 percent of the University's undergraduate student body.

Among those listed was Monica Marie Villarreal of Big Spring.

Heather Ayn Canning, granddaughter of Carl and Iris McGlothlin of Big Spring, graduated from Baylor University with a Bachelor of Science in Aviation Sciences. She is only the third female to graduate from this five-year program.

Canning graduated from Edmond Memorial High School in Edmond, Okla. She was an honor student and active in the Band Color Guard. She graduated in 1994.

While at Baylor, Canning was in the Color Guard in the Golden Wave Band. She also participated in the ROTC program. During the summer of 1997, she went to Tyndall Air Force Base and completed Field Training as one of the top cadets.

Canning is a world traveler. Last summer, she returned to London for a brief visit before spending several weeks in Kenya.

She plans to remain in Waco as a flight instructor.

The United States Achievement Academy announced recently that Derek Wash, of Big Spring, has been named a United States National Award Winner in foreign language.

The Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Wash, who attends Forsan High School, was nominated for this national award by Rita Narvaez, a teacher at the school.

He will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

Wash is the son of David and Lisa Hobbs of Big Spring, and the late Billy Wash. He is the grandson of JoAnn Loudamy of Big Spring, Bob and Nita Wash of Forsan, and Doyle and Caroline Hobbs of Roswell, N.M.

The University of Mary Hardin-Baylor named Dr. Curtis L. Beard, Jr. as the Vice President for Administrative and Academic Affairs.

Dr. Beard has been with the university serving as the Vice-President of External Affairs since 1990. He is a graduate of Texas Tech University and received his doctorate from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth. Dr. Beard graduated from Big Spring High School in 1963.

Dr. Beard will be responsible for supervising enrollment management, admissions, recruitment, financial aid, advising and retention, the library, international student programs, registrar and records office, the undergraduate programs, and the graduate programs. This position will also include a major new responsibility for academic program fund raising.

Texas A&M University-Kingsville has released the names of the students who made the Honor Roll for the spring 1999 semester.

The Honor Roll requires a grade point average of 3.5 while taking at least 12 semester hours. Local students include: Heidi Erin McIntyre.

ON THE MENU

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER
MONDAY-Chicken fried steak, potatoes, squash, spinach salad, milk/rolls, pudding.

TUESDAY-Turkey, rice, brussel sprouts, salad, milk/rolls, cake.

WEDNESDAY-Charbroiled steak, potatoes, broccoli, peas salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

THURSDAY-Stew, cauliflower/peas, salad, cornbread, milk, pie.

FRIDAY-Ham, sweet potatoes, beans, fruit salad, milk/rolls, applesauce.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM
MONDAY-Pizza pocket, french fries, carrot sticks w/ranch, apple, milk.

TUESDAY-Nacho grade, ranch style beans, spanish rice, pineapple tidbits, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Spaghetti w/meatballs, black eye peas, sliced melon, cookie, hot roll, milk.

THURSDAY-Fried chicken, broccoli w/cheese, corn, hot roll, milk.

FRIDAY-BBQ on bun, potato salad, pickle slices, mixed fruit, milk.

ANNIVERSARIES

Cook

C.L. (Pete) and Annabelle Cook will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Friday, June 25, 1999, with a dinner and dance at The Wharf Restaurant in the Cayman Islands.

The couple was married on June 25, 1949, at the Mathew Memorial Methodist Church in Fort Worth. She is the former Annabelle Dyer, daughter of H. Gale and Clara Schmidt Dyer of Fort Worth. Pete is the son of Manley A. and Avenelle Talbot Cook of Big Spring.

He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. The couple met in Lubbock while attending Texas Tech University. After living in Big Spring for 26 years, they moved to Granbury in 1976.

Their children Cliff Cook and Bennie Hill of Granbury, Dr. Cynthia Cook and Jan Whatley of Dallas, Derek and Peggy Cook Pit-le of San Antonio, their grandchildren Casey, Jace, J. Lee, McKenna, Lexi, Tyler (in memoriam), other co-hosts Dr. Peggy J. Dyer and Kenny A. Hill cordially invite all friends and relatives to attend this momentous celebration.



MR. AND MRS. C.L. (PETE) COOK

tion in the Cayman Islands.

They gave the following comments:

"Mom and Dad-O, thank you for the love and support you have given us through the years and for being there when we needed you the most. We are truly blessed for having you as our parents and we love you very much."

Paid announcement

NEWCOMERS

New residents of Big Spring welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include:

Brantley and Kara Harkins, Muleshoe. He is employed by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Bradford L. and Anita Colwell, son Christopher, and daughter Valerie, Tampa, Fla. He is employed by American Petrofina.

Byron and Debra Seal, Colorado City. They are both employed by the Forsan ISD.

Thana Fowler, daughter Burgundy and sons Zachary and Jeffery, San Angelo. She is an LVN at the Big Spring Care Center.

Nick and Rosanna Vargas and son Cody, Georgetown. He works for Dyno Nobel.

Philip and Robbie Bacon and sons Philip and Michael, Spur. He is employed by the City of Big Spring Police Department.

Doug and Amber McLwain and children, Reid and Rissa, Lamesa. He is the owner-manager of K-Bob's Restaurant.

A parish calls him Father, his daughters call him Dad

CHESTER, Conn. (AP) — They fell in love on a hayride. It was 1947. They were both just kids, but he knew she was the one.

They spent the next 39 years together, raising their six girls and loving each other. When she died, he thought he would never get over it. Then he found another kind of love.

Bob Murphy is still father to six children and grandfather to 12. He is also "Father Bob" to 600 families at St. Joseph's Church.

Now, instead of ministering to girls with scraped knees or broken hearts, he's counseling parishioners. The transition seems to come easily for Murphy, a big, ruddy-cheeked man who calls himself "the luckiest guy who ever lived."

He says his years as a dad help him empathize with his flock because he's been through it all.

"You need to offer them a lot of understanding, and I think I can do that because of the life I've lived," he says.

His daughters say his role as a priest has not changed his more traditional role as a father. He is still the one they go to for advice, the one whose example they follow when making decisions about their own children. He is also the one who makes sure they all get together as a family at least a few times a year, for holidays or long-weekend camping trips.

For him, the priesthood fulfills a dream he had as a young boy. His parents were devout Catholics who gathered their 10 children in the living room every night to say the rosary.

When he was 15, he was awed by a young priest who visited his parish in Freeport, N.Y. He decided then he wanted to be just like the Rev. Larry Byrne.



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CANNING

A tribute to Father's Day said in poem

DEAR READERS: Several years ago, Richard H. Kent, a retired colonel who served in the U.S. Air Force, sent me a poem he'd written as a tribute to his father. I have kept it in my book of special treasures. Today I'm sharing it in honor of fathers, stepfathers and grandfathers everywhere. Read on:

A BELATED GRACE
by Richard J. Kent,
Springfield, Va.

Make me half the man my father was

And I'll know that I've been blest.

Give me half his courage and loving care

And a kingdom I'll possess.

When I was young and foolish

I heard but I didn't hear
His words of wisdom, his sound advice,

The need to persevere...

When I grew older and wiser,

I saw what I hadn't seen:

His strength to cope with adversity

And do it with dignity.

No need for the Ten Commandments

When I came to a fork in the road.

I had only to think what he

would have done
And again, he'd carry my load.

Make me half the father to my two sons

As the father he was to me

And I know that I will rest at peace

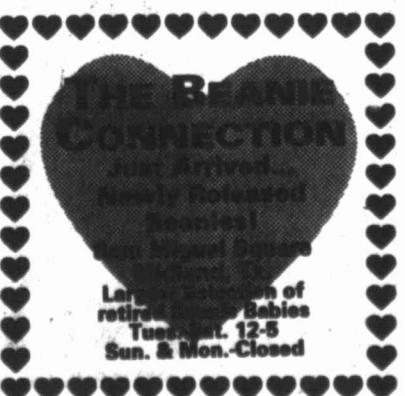
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TXU Corp. will test market utility-bundling at upscale housing project

DALLAS (AP) — Every homeowner knows the tedious chore of calling all over town to arrange for electric, gas, water, phone and cable service in a new location.

A major Texas utility is about to test whether it can profit by offering all those services to tenants in a development on the southern edge of Round Rock, just north of Austin. The 330-acre upscale project, called La Frontera, will include apartments, mid-rise office buildings, stores, a 16-screen cinema and light manufacturing facilities.

La Frontera will mark the first attempt at "bundling" by TXU Corp., formerly Texas Utilities Corp., and will be one of the first tests of the all-in-one approach anywhere in the country.

For TXU, it will serve as a cautious first step toward deregulation, which will pit longtime monopolies against each other and utility newcomers. Last month, the Legislature passed a bill that will let customers pick their power company in 2002.

"In two years, the electric utility industry is going to be

competitive. You'll see these types of packaging of services as one way to compete in the marketplace," said Chris Schein, a TXU spokesman.

TXU expects to sell lucrative services such as phone, long distance and Internet service at La Frontera, and it hopes to learn which customers — residential, office, retail or assembly manufacturers — are most interested in bundled services.

The partners in the development, who approached several utilities before striking a deal with TXU, also expect to bene-

fit. Don Martin, an Austin public-relations executive who is one of three managing partners of La Frontera, said the partners wanted to avoid the usual practice of paying utilities to get them to provide services early in the process. This time, TXU will bear installation costs.

"And we see it as a large marketing advantage with tenants," Martin said. "TXU has high name identification."

By law, tenants won't have to deal with TXU, and nothing in the law prevents other utilities

from coming in. But Martin expects the TXU will do very well in the deal.

TXU has experience in most of the services it will offer at La Frontera. It sells electricity and gas in North and Central Texas, it recently bought a local phone company in the Lufkin-Conroe area that offers high-speed Internet access, and it owns a share of a local wireless company. TXU is negotiating with cable companies to offer that service in the new development.

So far, however, bundling experiments elsewhere have

had mixed success.

Michael Heim, a utilities analyst with A.G. Edwards, said several companies have tried the strategy but failed to meet income projections. He said customers will buy gas-related extras from a gas utility, but they might not be persuaded to buy long-distance or Internet service from the same firm.

NorAm Energy Corp. of Houston and Sprint Corp. of Woodward, Kan. bundled gas and phone services in Ohio in 1997, but they stopped the trial after six months.

Don't want to pass up on rain in West Texas

Recent rains have been of benefit to most agricultural producers of the county. The rains have been spotted over Howard County and West Texas. Some parts of the county have received as much as nine inches of rain since April 1 while other parts have gotten as little as two inches.

Most of the cotton that was planted in May is progressing nicely. The plant is large enough that

wind and sand damage is not as harmful as it would be to younger plants. The most cotton and best cotton is in the northeast part of Howard County. Several fields have had to be replanted to cotton because of thin stands, washing out or covering the cotton up.

I estimate that 80 percent of the cotton is up as of now. Every kind of situation that is possible is there. Some fields have adequate moisture to make a fair crop while the majority of the fields will require additional moisture to make a crop.

All producers will need to make a good crop due to the projected price that they will receive for their cotton. Most cotton analysts are projecting 50 cents to 52 cents per pound at harvest time. It is hard to pay for that \$100,000 tractor and \$25,000 truck with 50-cent cotton in any operation.

Most ranchers within the county would like to see it continue to rain, while most farmers would like two weeks of clear weather and then more rain around July 4. One thing for sure, we do not ever want to pass up a rain in West Texas because I can promise you it will likely be hot and dry in July and August.



DAVID KNIGHT



These individuals from seven different countries, as well as graduate students attending the West Texas A&M University Dryland Agriculture Institute attended a workshop sponsored by the college that included a tour to the Big Spring USDA research station.

Reducing soil erosion focal point for group touring research station

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Texas has the greatest amount of wind erosion in the United States, and planting in a checkerboard pattern stabilizes erosion and produces the best crop yield.

That's just some of what about 20 individuals from eight different countries learned during the recent Big Spring tour of a workshop sponsored by the Dryland Agriculture Institute at West Texas A&M University in Canyon.

"Farmers in this area are not interested in anything that will require more moisture. Tillage

is the main method used here to prevent wind erosion, and maybe one-third to one-half of the local farmers use tillage," said Dr. Ted Zoebeck, USDA Agricultural Research Service Conservation Systems scientist from Lubbock.

Zoebeck, along with Big Spring soil scientist Scott Van Pelt, conducted the sixth annual tour at the Big Spring USDA research station through the use of a slide show, and a walk through the facility grounds.

Zoebeck told the students and businessmen from India, China, Korea, Japan, South Africa, Kuwait and Zimbabwe that wind erosion occurs in a three-prong method of transportation — creeping, saltation and suspension.

"Wind erosion has an avalanching effect across a field, and the more particles picked up, the more that may be picked up. Particles 1 mil-

limeter or smaller will blow," Zoebeck said.

Particles creep along the ground in the reduced wind speeds found closer to the earth, he said. Some particles are caught and bounced across the fields, a process soil scientists call saltation.

Other particles are carried high into the atmosphere and may stay suspended for miles, even across oceans, he said.

"We believe the lush soils found in the world are due to particles in suspension," Zoebeck said.

Wind erosion causes problems with crops, and in the West Texas drylands, where the soil is a sandy loam with sparse vegetation and strong winds, preventing further erosion is the challenge local soil scientists strive meet, he said.

"We can control the wind ero-



ZOEBECK

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Deregulation

Bush signs bill which will allow customers to shop for lower rates starting in 2002

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush ushered in a new era for Texas utilities Friday by signing a bill that will allow most electric customers to begin shopping for lower rates in 2002.

"Competition in the electric industry will benefit Texans by reducing monthly rates and offering consumers more choices about the power they use," Bush said.

The bill marks a sweeping overhaul of the state's \$20 billion-a-year utility industry. The first changes will take effect in September, when rates will be frozen until 2002 for most investor-owned utilities, such as Dallas-based TXU Electric & Gas.

As competition begins in 2002, the utilities will reduce residential and small-commercial rates by 6 percent.

"Electric customers who take the time to comparison shop between providers should be able to save even more on their monthly bills, possibly as much as 15 percent," said the bill's sponsor, Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco.

Customers served by city-owned utilities, such as those in San Antonio and Austin, and the mostly rural cooperatives may have to wait longer as local officials decide whether to allow competitors into their areas.

Texas joins more than a dozen other states, including California, that have already opened their utilities markets to competition or are doing so.

"While restructuring has had mixed results in other states, I believe Texas has adopted a plan that will be good for the consumers, good for the environment and good for business," Sibley said. "Senate Bill 7 will revolutionize the way electricity is provided and sold in Texas."

The legislation includes a complex set of measures to limit the power of the incumbent utilities — many of which have held monopolies in their areas for more than 50 years — so that new firms can compete.

New utility companies are expected to move into Texas' markets to offer lower prices and new technology, which could range from selling "green power" to providing gadgets that tell consumers when they are wasting electricity.

The legislation is opposed by some consumer groups that complain it doesn't go far enough to assure lower prices for residential customers and to

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— Sen. David Sibley, bill sponsor

keep incumbent utilities from using market power to keep competitors out.

While lawmakers debated those issues, they didn't do enough to address them in the bill, said Janee Briesemeister, senior policy analyst for Consumers Union.

Bush touted environmental measures in the bill meant to reduce pollution from some of the state's oldest power plants.

"Our hard work for the last two years and our insistence that grandfathered plants clean up has led to this significant agreement that will result in cleaner air for current and future generations," Bush said.

Under the bill, plants that have been grandfathered from environmental regulations for nearly three decades would have to reduce emissions by 2003 or close down. "This legislation puts Texas on the cutting edge of cleaning up the environment," Bush said.

Bush signed another environmental bill Friday designed to encourage the state's 800 estimated grandfathered industrial plants to reduce air pollution.

The bill by Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, and Rep. Ray Allen, R-Grand Prairie, gives so-called grandfathered plants until 2001 to voluntarily apply for a flexible permit that would direct them to significantly reduce air emissions.

The legislation will result in cleaner air across the state, said Bush, who made the issue a priority.

Environmentalists have complained that the bill doesn't go far enough.

"The governor's voluntary plan includes no guarantee that substantial emission reductions will result from the new permits and no guarantees that public health is being protected," said Ken Kramer, director of the Lone Star Sierra Club.

'Go Texan' campaign for Texas produce unveiled

LUBBOCK (AP) — Agriculture Commissioner Susan Combs unveiled a massive marketing campaign Friday aimed at getting Texans to buy more fruits, vegetables and plants grown in the Lone Star State.

The "Go Texan" slogan will appear on labels in supermarkets throughout the state to let consumers know how to support the state's farmers, Combs said.

"Looking for Texas-grown products in a store filled with so many choices can be difficult," Combs said. "The 'Go Texan' logo will eliminate that problem by clearly identifying items from Texas."

The ad campaign sprang from a state survey that found 90 percent of Texans would buy only Texas produce if it was clearly marked and of good quality.

H-E-B Food Stores officials on Friday pledged to use the labels

throughout their 250-store network.

"H-E-B has been serving Texas families for 95 years and it is part of our company philosophy to support other Texas-based companies whenever possible to ensure a strong state economy," said Jim Smits, vice president of produce for the chain.

The campaign will include public service announcements from famous Texans including

actor Tommy Lee Jones and Nolan Ryan.

"This is a unified campaign that acknowledges the importance of making sure we support an industry that contributes \$45 billion dollars to our economy every year," said Patrick Rhode, a spokesman for Combs.

The agriculture department says it is in negotiations with other supermarket chains to use the Go Texan label.

IN THE NEWS

THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISONS (BOP) BIG SPRING recently named its "best of the best" in recent ceremonies.

• **LT. DAVID GRIEVE** was named Supervisor of the Year. He began his Bureau of Prisons career as a correctional officer on July 14, 1990 at FCI Phoenix, Ariz. He arrived at FCI Big Spring on Nov. 9, 1997, after receiving his promotion to lieutenant. Prior to his Bureau of Prisons career, Grieve attended Arizona State University and



GRIEVE

received an associate degree in business. He was a correctional officer for the Arizona Department of Corrections from 1988 to 1990 and is a native of Phoenix.

• **TOMMIE HALE**, correctional treatment specialist, was named Employee of the Year. He began his Bureau of Prisons career as a correctional officer on April 25, 1995, at FCI El Reno, Okla. and subsequently served as a library technician at that institution. He arrived at FCI Big Spring on July 20, 1997, as a



HALE

case manager trainee and later promoted to case manager. Prior to his career with the BOP, Hale received his bachelor of science degree and master of education degree at Langston University in Oklahoma.

Other awards he has received include an Outstanding Young Man of America Award, Outstanding Graduate Assistant Award, National Dean's List, who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, and Outstanding Leadership Award in Criminal Justice at Langston University.

• **DON WHITTENBURG**, senior officer specialist, was named Officer of the Year. Whittenburg began his career as a Correctional Officer on

Oct. 26, 1988, at FCI Big Spring. He was promoted to senior officer in April of 1989 and senior officer specialist in August of 1990.

Prior to his BOP career, he attended Western Texas College of Snyder where he received an associate degree in electro mechanical technology and law enforcement.

He is currently an assistant Scout Leader for the Boy Scouts of American and provides his leadership to the Venture Crew and Cub Scout Den sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Big



WHITTENBURG

Spring. He is a native of Snyder.

• **TONY STUTEVILLE**, senior officer, was named Rookie Correctional Officer of the Year.

He began his career as a correctional officer on Jan. 4, 1998, at FCI Big Spring. He was promoted to senior officer in January of 1999.

Prior to his BOP career, Stuteville was employed as a correctional officer for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice from 1993-1998. He is a native of Big Spring.



STUTEVILLE

EROSION

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sion with tillage and vegetation and barriers. We have found that 60 percent of the ground must be covered to essentially eliminate erosion," he said.

Covering 30 percent of the ground with vegetation such as grass or brush reduces the erosion to about 30 percent, he said.

"And in a two-year study we found that 85 percent of the crop yield is lost because of wind erosion," Zobeck said.

Barrier crops, an idea that local farmers resist because of moisture needs, is created by planting a barrier crop around a field or between rows of crops, and then allowing the plant to die, he said.

"Crop strips, with plants tall enough to stop the wind, also form a barrier. However tall the plant, that distance of erosion it will prevent," he said.

Shelter belts of trees are com-

mon wind erosion prevention methods, particularly around the house on a farm, he said.

"Plants standing are more effective at preventing erosion than those laying on the surface. A combined effort using ground cover with standing silhouettes will effectively stop erosion," he said.

Tillage, or roughening the soil, is one method used locally, and although temporary, is effective short term and requires little moisture.

"Tillage is very temporary and it must have the right moisture content to form the clods. Basically it works because it changes the soil surface into clods that are too heavy to blow," he said.

The two-week training workshop from West Texas A&M University in Canyon will continue through next week with tours in Colorado and Kansas.

Graduate students from the university, as well as international businessmen attended the workshop, to learn more about dryland agroecosystems.

Domestic rig count up by 19

HOUSTON (AP) — The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the United States jumped by 19 to 566.

Of the rigs running nationwide this week, 117 were exploring for oil and 449 for gas, Houston-based Baker Hughes Inc. reported Friday. During the same week last year, 863 rigs were operating in the United States.

Baker Hughes has kept track of the count since 1944. The tally peaked at 4,530 on Dec. 28, 1981, during the height of the oil boom, but has set several record lows this year, bottoming out at 498 on April 9.

Of the major oil- and gas-producing states, Louisiana and Oklahoma each rose by seven. Texas added four; Alaska gained two.

Teamsters place North Texas local under trusteeship, oust president

DALLAS (AP) — The president of a Teamsters local at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport was forced out and replaced with a trustee Friday.

J.D. Potter was ousted for failing to effectively represent members in contract negotiations and grievances with employers, said a spokesman for the International Brotherhood of Teamsters.

The union's national president, James P. Hoffa, appointed Joe Darmento, president of a local in Louisville, Ky., as trustee for Local 19 in Grapevine, which represents 3,500 workers in airline-related industries in Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana.

It marks the first time Hoffa has placed a local under trusteeship since he took office in March. Teamsters members in

Grapevine complained that the local failed to support them in dealings with employers such as Continental and Southwest airlines, said union spokesman Bret Caldwell in Washington, D.C.

"We believe the leadership has failed to provide protection for the members in contract negotiations, contract enforcement and grievance hearings," Caldwell said. "There wasn't any one incident. It was a pattern of poor leadership."

Caldwell said there were no allegations of corruption or financial mismanagement and no indication that the local was the subject of investigation by authorities.

Potter was unavailable for comment, and he did not return a phone message left at his North Texas home Friday afternoon.

Among the changes the trustee will make will be to "vigorously enforce" contracts, report to Local 19 members on finances and hold union meetings closer to worksites, according to the union.

Darmento, the trustee, is a 10-year Teamsters veteran and former airline mechanic. He is president of Teamsters Local 2727 in Louisville, which represents airline mechanics at United Parcel Service.

Caldwell, the union spokesman, said there is no timetable for an election to pick a successor to Potter, whom he said remains in the union.

Caldwell said union headquarters received "a number" of complaints about the local's leadership, prompting Hoffa to send representatives to investigate this spring, and they recommended appointing a trustee.

With beard bans still popular, a razor might be a popular gift

MIDLAND (AP) — West Texas folklore has it that one day a roughneck with a beard slipped in a puddle of oil and the friction of the fall caused him to light up like a Christmas tree. Stop, drop and roll was good enough to put out his clothes, but the beard didn't stop burning until the man's face was almost gone.

That's why Ernest Shaw, owner of Shaw Oil, doesn't allow any of his workers to show the slightest hint of facial hair — not a shadow. And even in the enlightened 1990s, Shaw isn't the only businessman banning the beard.

From boat yards to the boardroom, many businesses are making sure their employees don't indulge in that uniquely

male joy of growing facial hair.

"It's just too dangerous and you have to consider safety first around here," said Shaw, whose gritty oil refinery has sparks flying and machinery churning all day long. "Fashion and safety just don't mix. And in today's world, if someone catches their beard on fire, they would probably sue me for letting 'em have a beard."

Dustin Marcello, who works for Shaw, said the policy keeps him busy at the sink every morning.

"I can grow a beard overnight, so I keep the razor company in business because of it," Marcello said.

There are very real dangers contributing to the banning of facial hair in the Oil Patch.

Laurie Mayo, the worker's compensation administrator for Sierra Well Service, says her workers aren't allowed to wear beards or mustaches because they work around high levels of poisonous hydrogen sulfate gas.

If an alarm sounds, they need to put on a gas mask, which needs to be properly sealed. "They have to have soft baby butt skin," Mrs. Mayo explains.

Mrs. Mayo said that the rule hasn't been popular in an era that has seen the re-emergence of goatees and sideburns. Sometimes the grumbling has come from an employee that Mrs. Mayo has a hard time ignoring — her husband.

"I've heard a lot of complaints over the years," Mrs. Mayo said. "My husband can grow a

really nice beard and I don't like the fact that he has to stay clean shaven. But the rules are the rules."

In many boardrooms and accounting firms across the nation, executives say beards are unofficially banned. "It just wouldn't be a good idea to wear one," said Jason Peters, a 28-year-old accountant at the firm Knight and Barlow in Fort Worth.

"The clean shaven look is just considered more professional these days."

And in the ivory towers of Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, students and professors are required to be "shaven close" by a strict dress code.

Carri Jenkins, a university

spokeswoman, said incoming students are required to write an essay on their feelings about the dress code, so there are no surprises.

"I've been here for 17 years and I don't think I have ever seen an uprising or protest over it," Mrs. Jenkins said. "There can be exceptions. If it has religious significance, it can be worn. If a student or faculty member is in a play, they can grow a beard if necessary."

Men must apply to the university for the right to wear a beard, then carry a pocket-size certificate explaining why they're allowed to have lengthy facial hair — like a "get out of jail free" card in Monopoly.

"Just in case they are questioned, the card explains it is

acceptable for them to have a beard," Mrs. Jenkins said. "The policy is very reasonable."

Sometimes, freak accidents prompt business owners to forbid facial hair.

Greg Truis, owner of a boat rental shop in Holly Beach, La., said he enacted a no-beard policy after he saw a fisherman throw a line only to get it tangled in the beard of the man standing behind him.

"It was one of the strangest things I had ever seen," Truis said. "I shaved my beard the next day and told everyone to do the same."

But at least some arenas are beginning to get less haired about hair. For the first time in 32 years, the Cincinnati Reds can play baseball with a beard.

PUBLIC RECORDS

Justice of the Peace Bonnie Green Precinct 1, Place 1

Bad Checks/Warrants Issued: The addresses listed are the last known addresses. Names on this list will all fines have been paid. If any problems with this list, please call 264-2226.

- Allaro, Mary Lou, 712 Pine, Colorado City
- Avila, Laurie L., 607 Goliad, Big Spring
- Balthrop, Brad, HC 76, Box 13E, Big Spring
- Banks, Vernice G. Jacobs, 212 N. Johnson, Big Spring
- Banks, Vernice G. Jacobs, 212 N. Johnson, Big Spring
- Bochnicka, John, 538 Westover No. 260, Big Spring
- Bryan, Randy, P.O. Box 782 or 317 W. Cr 112, Snyder
- Christensen, Gary Don, 2717 Central, Big Spring
- Durrett, Carl Alan, Rt. 3, Box 196, Big Spring
- Edwards, Henry, 615 Holbert, Big Spring
- Felumban, Murndux, 9338 Perrin Belted Apt. 701, San Antonio
- Fleet, Brandy, Rt. 1, Box 745, Big Spring
- Fletcher, Larry, 506 E. Ave H, Lampasas
- Fuller, Sheryle R., 2950 Pleasant Ave. No. 130, Odessa
- Gilbert, Jody, 5322 Cr. 254, Snyder
- Gillespie, Aimee W., 2102 Runnels, Big Spring
- Gressett, Steven, No. 1 Courtney Place No. 112, Big Spring
- Guerrero, Barbara, 2908 Ave. X, Snyder
- Hernandez, Peggy, 1505 B. Lincoln, Big Spring
- Herrod, Lorinda, 2513 Albrook, Big Spring

Spring Jenkins, Shauna, 3019 38th Street, Snyder

Howard County Clerk's Office

- Jordy, Joyce Faye, 209 Terry Road, Big Spring
- King, Tiffany M., 1309 Jeffrey Rd., Big Spring
- Kirby, Marty, 2600 Crestline No. 16, Big Spring
- Legg, Debra, 1018 Baylor, Big Spring
- Lopez, Yolanda, Box 964, Stanton
- Lujan, Patsy, 621 Sgt. Paredes, Big Spring
- Manning, Robert, 3403 Sycamore, Midland
- Morris, Patricia Ann Davis, 803 Lorilla, Big Spring or Rt. 3, Box 43, Colorado City
- Morrow, Amanda Lynn, 4104 Dixon, Big Spring
- McVey, Don J., 311 35th, Snyder
- Padron, Pedro T., Box 495, Coahoma
- Partlow, Kathryn (Kathi), 705 W. 17th, Big Spring
- Pasillas, Ida A., 794 Normandy No. 1114, Houston
- Petty, M.L., Rt. 1 Box 490, Big Spring
- Picazo, Alanda L., 112 Cedar or P.O. Box 2464, Big Spring
- Pina, Lorenzo, 1110 S. Nolan, Big Spring
- Posay, Francis, P.O. 659, Big Spring
- Rocha, Elena, 1507 Ave. E, Snyder
- Rodriguez, Pat Richard, 2601 Nonesuch #1103, Abilene
- Romolo, Joshua Kalani, 2609 Wasson No. 42, Big Spring
- Ross, Kenneth Wayne, 800 W. Marcy No. 5 or 2517 Gunter, Big Spring
- Sanchez, Debbie, 538 Westover No. 260, Big Spring
- Toman, Amanda J., 3200 Ave. C (SWCID), Big Spring
- Trevino, Sylvia, Box 271, Garden City, TX
- Turnbull, Judy Purser, 1736 Chestnut Dr., 290 East 15th, Colorado City

Yanez, Jack P., P.O. Box 622, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses

- John Edward Lyons, 45, and Andrea Nieto, 29
- Greg Lynn Freeman, 39, and Jackie McCoun Colfman, 46
- Joe Louis Ontiveros, 40, and Dalilah Aguirre Munoz, 46
- Margarito Hernandez, Jr., 20, and Maria Victoria Saenz, 18
- Henry Arredondo, Jr., 29, and Kimberly Mechelle Loudermill, 27
- Ray Felen, 30, and Becky Elvira Jimenez, 23
- Franklin D. Marsh, Jr., 33, and Terri Sul Mince, 38

grantee: Patricia Ann Iden property: lot 2, blk. 2, Worth Peeler Subdivision, out of section 4, blk. 32 filed: June 7, 1999

Grantor: Merle Haney

- grantee: Stanley Haney and Regina Franke property: the northwest 1/4 of section 7, blk. 31 filed: June 7, 1999
- grantee: W.F. and Edith Harrell property: Simona DeLeon property: lot 1, blk. 8, Settles Heights Addition filed: June 7, 1999
- grantee: Denise H. Ross, d/b/a Ross Construction joined by her husband John Ross property: Rose Builders, Inc. property: lot 4, blk. 6, replat of lots 1-7, the north 1/2 of lot 8 and the south 71.13' of lot 10, blk. 6, Amended Muir Heights Addition filed: June 7, 1999
- grantee: Sue W. Hulsey property: the south 1/2 of section 36, blk. 25, Certificate No. 269, Houston Central Texas R.R. Co. Survey, Howard County, containing 320 acres of land. filed: June 8, 1999
- grantee: Bill Barber, Adobe Springs. W.E. Haney, R-Bar Family Trust grantee: Merle Haney property: tract of land out of the north 1/3 of the southeast 1/4 of section 44, blk. 32 filed: June 7, 1999
- grantee: Jerry Iden and Patricia Ann Iden, Jerry Iden individually, Brandon Iden and Elizabeth Iden Underwood. grantee: Patricia Ann Iden property: lot 2, blk. 2, Worth Peeler Subdivision, out of section 4, blk. 32 filed: June 7, 1999

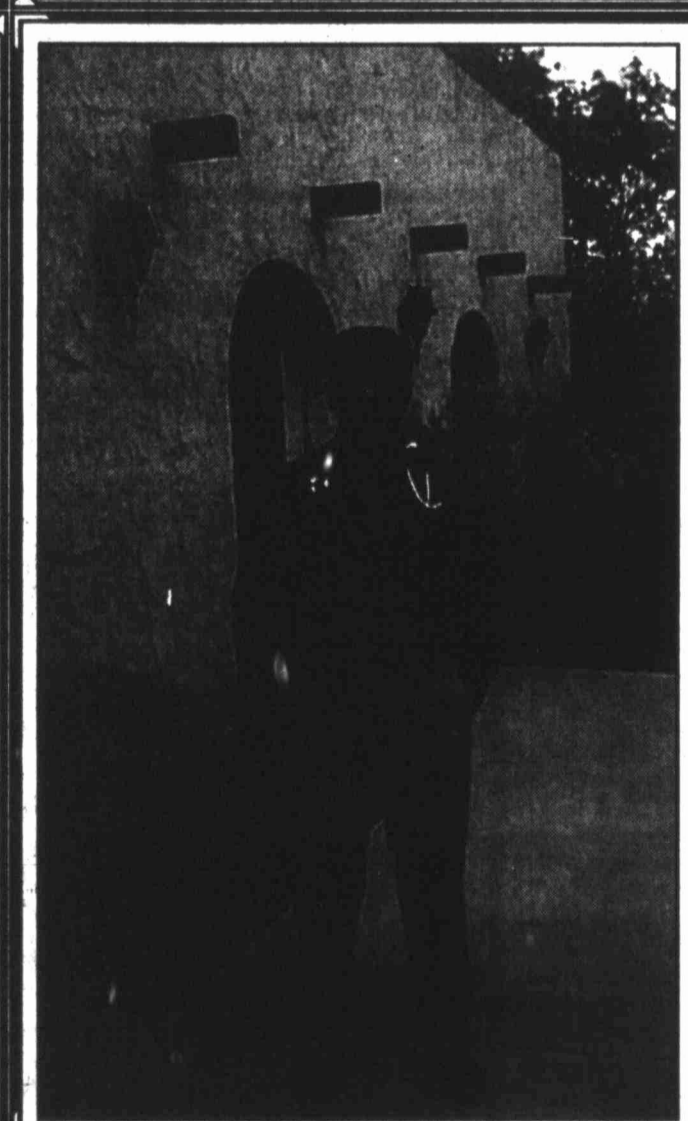
grantee: Steve and Debi Bingham grantee: Bonnie Kaye Smith property: a 1.0 acre tract, more or less, out of the west 1/2 of section 43, blk. 31 filed: June 8, 1999

Warranty deed with vendors

- grantee: Donald G. and Donna Hewett grantee: Wayne P. Wright property: a 100.0 acre tract of land out of the south 1/2 of section 25, blk. 34 filed: June 7, 1999
- grantee: Ross Builders Inc. grantee: Thomas Hallmann property: lot 4, blk. 6, replat of lots 1-7, the north 1/2 of lot 8, and the south 71.13' of lot 10, blk. 6, Amended Muir Heights Addition filed: June 7, 1999
- grantee: James Nicholls grantee: William Richard Hooper, Jr. and Patricia Lois Hooper property: all of lot 5, save and except the east 12' of the north 87' of lot 5, all of lot 6, and the east 30 feet of lot no. 7, blk. 18, Edwards Heights Addition filed: June 8, 1999

James Earl Belcher, Jr. vs. Valerie Lynn Sherman Belcher

- Steven Craig Bedell vs. Lacy Ann Bedell
- Julian Moncada vs. Consuelo Moncada
- Oiga H. Viera vs. Sammy Viera Lori Simons Ahmad vs. Majdi Ahmad
- Injuries & damages: Kathy McEwin vs. James R. McEwin and Allstate Texas Lloyds Ins. Co. Linda Hayes vs. Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories Division of American Home Products Corporation, American Home Products Corporation, A.H. Robins Company, Inc., Walmart Stores, Inc., Manish H. Schroff, M.D., and Robert B. Pierce M.D.
- Katherine McGee vs. Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories Division of American Home Products Corporation, American Home Products Corporation, A.H. Robins Company, Inc., and Dr. Robbie Cooksey.
- Viola Y. Barraza vs. Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories Division of American Home Products Corporation, American Home Products Corporation, A.H. Robins Company, Inc., and Dr. Robbie Cooksey.
- Accounts, notes & contracts: Jack R. Cathey, Sr. vs. Hummingbird Realty, Inc., a Texas Corporation, d/b/a Re/Max Heritage/Tom Green County Texas; Jack R. Cathey, Jr., individually and Linda Cole individually Co-Ex Pipe Company vs. York & Price Petroleum Corporation Citizens Federal Credit Union vs. Charles N. Rainwater Bruce Wilkinson vs. Horace Tubbs Other: Estate of Emeterio Lozano, Jr., deceased Michael Layne Mims vs. Lynn Gage and Carol Ann Mims



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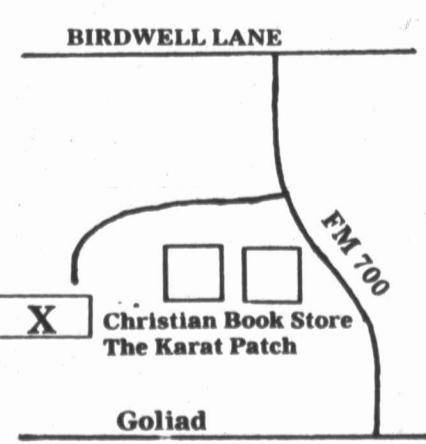
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Anyone believing that they have pertinent and valid information about quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representative at the time of the survey. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins, and must indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:
 Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
 Home Care Services Team
 One Renaissance Boulevard
 Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181

The interview will be notified of the date, time and place of the meeting.
 2351 June 20, 1999

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
 Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 29, 1999, for a Contractor to relocate water services on Wood and Sycamore Streets. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at City Hall June 29, 1999, at 2:00 p.m. to discuss the relocation project.

Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Big Spring City Council Chambers, City Hall, 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing and Material Control Manager, 1380 Airport Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s). The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities.
 2349 June 20 & 27, 1999

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Howard County Road Department will accept applications from June 21st through July 1st, 1999 for a dump truck driver. Some experience a plus, must have a valid Class A C.D.L. Applications may be picked up and returned from 8:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Monday through Thursday at Room 210 and Room 201, County Court House.
 All applicants will be pre-job drug tested.
 2345 June 18 & 20, 1999

PUBLIC NOTICE
 The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations will conduct an accreditation survey of Big Spring VA Medical Center on July 16, 20, 21.

The purpose of the survey will be to evaluate the organization's compliance with nationally established Joint Commission standards. The survey results will be used to determine whether, and the conditions under which accreditation should be awarded the organization.

Joint Commission standards deal with organizational quality of care issues and the safety of the environment in which care is provided. Anyone believing that he or she has pertinent and valid information about such matters may request a public information interview with the Joint Commission's field representative at the time of the survey. Information presented at the interview will be carefully evaluated for relevance to the accreditation process. Requests for a public information interview must be made in writing and should be sent to the Joint Commission no later than five working days before the survey begins. The request must also indicate the nature of the information to be provided at the interview. Such requests should be addressed to:
 Division of Accreditation
 Operations
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 Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
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The Joint Commission will acknowledge such requests in writing or by telephone and will inform the organization of the requests for any interview. The organization must notify the organization of the date, time, and place of the meeting.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
 CITY OF BIG SPRING
 PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION
 REQUEST FOR BIDS

The City of Big Spring is seeking bids for the following Contract:
 1. Demolition of the Permian Building
 113 West Second Street
 Big Spring, Texas

Sealed bids shall be addressed to the Office of the Public Works Division, City Hall, 310 Nolan Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720 on or before 2:00 P.M. Tuesday, July 13, 1999. Bids will be opened and read aloud at 2:30 P.M. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

A MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE will be held at the following location:
 113 West Second Street
 Time: Tuesday, June 29, 1999: 10:00 A.M.

The Award of Bids will be considered at a legally scheduled meeting of the City Council. The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities. Only bids submitted on the City Bid form shall be accepted. Bid packages can be examined or obtained from the office of the Architect, J. Philip Furquerson, Architect, 500 Johnson, Big Spring, Texas, 79720, phone: 915-267-3794.

Signed, Tim Blackshear, Mayor
 Signed, Tom Furquerson,
 City Secretary
 2356 June 20 & 27, 1999

PUBLIC NOTICE
 Howard College has contracted with Spring City Auction to sell the district's surplus property. All accumulated surplus property will be delivered to Spring City Auction and sold during their regularly scheduled Thursday night auctions from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at 2611 W. Hwy. 80, Big Spring, TX.

Information concerning the auction may be obtained from Dennis Churchwell, Purchasing Manager, Howard College, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720, (915) 264-5167. 2354 June 20, 1999

PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE TO BIDDERS
 Pursuant to the authority granted by the City Council of the City of Big Spring, Texas, sealed bids will be received until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 29, 1999, for the purchase of fencing for the McMahon/Wright Municipal Airport.

Bids are to be opened and read aloud in the Big Spring City Council Chambers, City Hall, 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, with award to be made at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Big Spring City Council. Bid information and specifications may be obtained from the Office of the Purchasing and Material Control Manager, 1380 Airport Drive East, Bldg. #19, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All bids must be marked with the date of the bid and a general description of the bid item(s). The City of Big Spring reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities.
 2334 June 13 & 20, 1999

PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice of TAA
 Petition Certifications
 All Workers of the G & L Fishing Tool Co., in Big Spring, Texas who became totally or partially separated from employment due to a lack of work on or after March 22, 1998, are eligible under position number TA-W-38,044 to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance. The petition was certified May 26, 1999, and will expire May 26, 2001.

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 2353 June 20, 1999

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