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The *Big Spring Herald* is in the process of updating information for its annual Community Guide, scheduled for publication on Sunday, July 25.

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We cannot be responsible for any information that is not updated.

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 also reach us by e-mail at: [jwalker@rcrom.net](mailto:jwalker@rcrom.net).

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#### MONDAY

□ Texas Tech Ex Student Association Big Spring Chapter, 6 p.m., Sparenberg Building.

□ Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third.

□ Gospel singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City.

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

□ Coahoma Senior Citizens luncheon, 11 a.m., Coahoma Community

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Members of the Coahoma First United Methodist Church get ready to participate in Saturday's Freedom Day Parade. The annual parade is sponsored by the Coahoma Lions Club.

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## FLY YOUR FLAG!



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# Saturday celebration thrills thousands

By JOHN H. WALKER  
Managing Editor

If the first Pops in the Park came off with a bang, then the second edition hit town with a resounding boom Saturday night.

More than 10,000 persons began streaming in to Comanche Trail Park during the early afternoon to take advantage of the day's activities — which included 20 food and merchandise booths and music by Allen Damron and the Big Spring Symphony and Chorus.

Oh, yes, don't forget the fireworks.

There were few seats left in the venerable Comanche Trail Park Amphitheatre by the time Damron finished his portion of the program, consisting of Texas songs and tales.

And by the time Medal of Honor winner George O'Brien, a Big Spring native, led the audience in the pledge of allegiance, the crowd was estimated at close to 6,000 persons and seats were few and far between.

But those persons who had found themselves a comfortable tree under which to place a blanket and relax were able to listen to the music — either because they were close enough to the Amphitheatre or because they had a radio with them to listen to KBST — just the same.

As was planned last year,



The Big Spring Symphony and Chorus opened the second annual Pops in the Park Saturday night in the Comanche Trail Amphitheatre with Copland's "Fanfare for the Common Man." Prior to the start of the performance, conductor Gene Smith was recognized for his eight years' service to the symphony with the presentation of a plaque.

HERALD photo/John H. Walker

Saturday's activities had grown — adding Damron's performance, increasing the amount of fireworks in the displays and building from four food booths to 20.

City police officials said the park was full early in the evening and, well before dark, there was nary a picnic table to be found as families turned out en masse to enjoy the day.

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"We asked folks to arrive early and eat with us in the park, and that's just what they did," one member of the Fourth Foundation said. "It's hard to believe, but it's bigger and better than last year." See **CELEBRATION**, Page 2A

## Day in the park filled with patriotism, good food, fireworks and just plain fun

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

Shrieking children, old friends shouting out renewed friendships, country music mixed with traditional patriotic songs, and booms of gunpowder as the fireworks exploded overhead...these were just some of the sounds audible during Saturday's Pops in the Park at Comanche Trail Amphitheatre.

And the smells...cotton candy and lemonade added a sugary twang to nostrils, while turkey legs, hot dogs, hamburgers and Frito pies tempted the taste buds of the 10,000-plus individuals who attended the Fourth of July celebration.

And some of those attending the event traveled to Big Spring just for the show.

"We came to town just to see this, my daughter called and said we should come visit this weekend to see this event. This is a wonderful spot, this amphitheatre, and you're lucky to have it," said Judy Dixon from Breckenridge.

Her daughter, Glenda Walton of Coahoma, said she and her family had attended the first event in 1996, and wanted to be a part of this year's festivities.

"When we came last year it was really great. The symphony and the fireworks really made the show last year and that's why we came this year. In fact,

we got here early so we could get a good seat," said Glenda Walton.

Another family traveled from Lamesa and Lubbock to see the Pops in the Park activities.

"Our daughter recommended this and so we came from Lamesa to see the Pops in the Park. She really wanted her father to see this, he's a veteran, and we are especially grateful for this country," said Lorene Carter.

Deidre Wood, one of the Carter's daughters, said she lived in Big Spring until this past year. And although her family moved to Lubbock, they

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Isaac Garcia had a fire cracker painted on one cheek, to match his flag on the other, by Laura Strickland, at Pops in the Park Saturday. Strickland volunteered to help raise money for the Division II Big Spring United Girls Softball Association.

HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant

## Decorated bikes, strollers brighten Highland parade

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

A slew of decorated bicycles, strollers, go-carts, dogs and even one horse marched down Highland Drive Saturday morning in celebration of our country's freedom.

The 31st annual Highland Fourth of July Parade, the longest currently-running Independence-Day-related parade in West Texas, also drew a crowd of onlookers dressed in red, white and blue.

Even several of the homes along the street were decorated, and flags lined many yards.

Gabriel Durand-Hollis wore a tall Uncle Sam hat as he walked his giant Great Pyrenees pooch, which sported a colorful bandana.

"He likes to walk and he likes children, so this is perfect for him," Durand-Hollis said. "He wanted to come out, and when he wants something, he gets it."

Kids rode on bicycles wrapped in yards of streamers, and parents pushed strollers hung with large glitter stars. One golf cart was decorated by an American flag made of tissue paper and trailed a large arc of red, white and blue balloons.

Christian and Matthew Sloan, 9-month-old twins, rode in a little red wagon with a sign that read, "Uncle Sam's Buddies."

Paige Gaaney and Amy Grant walked their tiny dogs, Prancer, and KoKo, both dressed in Independence Day

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Christian, left, and Matthew Sloan, 9-month-old twins, sit in their little red wagon while Shana Biddison, right, gets her daughter, Mikaela, ready to join the Highland Fourth of July Parade Saturday morning.

HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

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OBITUARIES

Mabel Hood Logan

Mabel Hood Logan, 101, a former public school teacher in Big Spring and Coahoma, died July 2, 1999, at North Hills Hospital in Colleyville. Services will be 12 p.m., Tuesday, July 6, 1999, at Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Chapel in Colleyville and at 1 p.m. Wednesday, July 7, 1999, at Kiker Seale Funeral Home in Colorado City. Burial will be at Spade Cemetery in Mitchell County.

Mrs. Logan was born Feb. 24, 1898, in Erath County. She taught school at Center Point in Howard County and at the Spade and Conway communities in Mitchell County. In Big Spring, she taught at North Ward, South Ward and Big Spring Junior High School.

She married Frank Logan in 1922 and they resided in Coahoma, where she opened the first school lunchroom. Her husband preceded her in death in 1971.

Survivors include three sons, a daughter, a sister and numerous grandchildren.

Robert Wegner Sr.

Robert Wegner Sr., 92, of Columbus, Mont., died July 1, 1999, at Deaconess Hospital in Billings, Mont. Service will be Tuesday, July 6, 1999, at 10 a.m. at Smith Funeral Chapel in Columbus with burial in Mountainview Cemetery.

Mr. Wegner was born May 13, 1907, in Susannet, Russia. He married Clara Roth in Park City, Mont., on May 25, 1930.

Survivors include Robert Wegner Jr. and Julie McGettes, both of Big Spring, Betty Southworth of Tucson, Ariz., Albert Wegner of Columbus and Gene Wegner of Billings; a brother, Fred Wegner of Billings; a sister, Erma Ridgeway of Englewood, Colo.; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife and one brother.

Lloyd V. Arnold

Lloyd V. Arnold, 76, of Big Spring, died on Friday, July 2, 1999, in a local hospital. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, July 5, 1999, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Arnold Tonn, pastor, Spring Tabernacle, officiating and assisted by Rev. Lance Baker, pastor, College Park Church of God. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on March 7, 1923, in Dierks, Ark. and married Eva Hamlin on Dec. 24, 1939, in Shepherd, Texas.

Mr. Loyd belonged to the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local #826, where he had served as treasurer. He had worked for Cosden Oil and Chemical Company retiring in 1983 where he had worked as an operator in the Alky Unit. He had also



ARNOLD

farmed and worked as a plumber.

Survivors include his wife, Eva Arnold of Big Spring; four daughters, Charlene Kennedy, Eva Chappell, Elaine Matthies and Brenda Dugger, all of Big Spring; three sons, Ronnie Huitt, Roger Huitt and Rodney Huitt, all of Big Spring; three brothers, Luther Bedwell of Snyder, Cecil Arnold of Big Spring and Dick Arnold of Brownwood; 21 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas and Hattie Arnold; a daughter, Darlene Reynolds; a sister, Nora B. Matthies; and two brothers, Robert Arnold and Billy Joe Arnold.

The family suggests memorials be made to the American Heart Association, Howard County Division, P.O. Box 1223, Big Spring, Texas 79721-1223.

Palbearers will be Shane Huitt, Terry Huitt, Charles Huitt, Joe Huitt, Erick Dugger and Bert Matthies.

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

*Paid obituary*

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returned home on the weekend for Pops in the Park.

"Did I mention my father is a World War II veteran?" Wood said.

Lilliam Valdes, who attended the event with her husband Al, a long-time Big Spring Independent School District trustee, said she thoroughly enjoyed the program.

"This is so wonderful and I am getting to see a lot of people in Big Spring that I have not had a chance to see lately," Valdes said.

Dillon Walker, an 8-year-old Boy Scout, said he had a wonderful time at the event.

"I ate half a turkey leg, but I couldn't eat the other half. This is so much fun," he said before he ran to the next food booth.

Most people at the event flocked toward the shaded areas, seeking cover from the sun, but even the sun cooperated about three hours before nightfall, when it took refuge behind clouds.

And everywhere folks were eating. Brownies were available, and ice cream and snow cones.

Also pickles and popcorn and bowls filled with sliced apples and covered with caramel were offered to those who visited the booths. And nearly everywhere someone was carrying a glass of fresh squeezed and freshly shook lemonade.

"The secret is in the shaking," said Clayton McKinnon as he delivered his umpteenth glass of lemonade to a customer.

All the booths seemed to stay busy, as patrons sampled every bit of ware available, including gunk in the dark yo-yos, slinkies and necklaces.

"We have been buying from some of the vendors as they walked by, offering their things," Walton said.

In all, when the sky darkened behind the last explosion of light from the fireworks and the last glass of lemonade had been drunk and the sausage on a stick eaten, every one left Comanche Trail Park Amphitheatre full, fulfilled and vowing to come back next year.

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finery. Cameron Churchwell, 6, Sage Kolden, 7, and Madison Churchwell, 4, rode their bicycles, each carrying a dressed doll or bear along for the ride.

Along the route, groups of spectators sitting on shaded lawns cheered as the crowd passed by, some videotaping the entire event.

Heather Crabtree said she stayed up until midnight Friday working on the entries of her three children, Alex, 7, Zach, 3, and Cameron, 16 months. But



HERALD photo/John H. Walker

Texas singer/songwriter/storyteller Allen Damron opened the program at the second annual Pops in the Park Saturday night in Comanche Trail Amphitheatre. Damron showed his versatility by opening with "Going to Mexico" before switching from guitar to banjo to play Beethoven's Ninth, also known as "Ode to Joy."

Damron performance offers something for everyone at park

By JOHN H. WALKER  
Managing Editor

Allen Damron's opening performance before an estimated 2,500 persons at Saturday's second annual Pops in the Park in the Comanche Trail Amphitheatre offered a little bit of everything.

There was a typical song about West Texas — "Going to Mexico."

There was a typical kid's song — "Is There A Heaven For Balloons?"

There was a classical touch on the banjo — Beethoven's Ninth, also known as "Ode to Joy."

There was a typical on-the-border song — "Jalisco."

And there was a song about Texas history and the Texans whipping Santa Anna at Goliad — "Come to the Bower."

And there was much more. For those who didn't know if they'd like "folk" music or not, Damron gave them a 90-minute lesson in what Texas music is all about.

"He's wonderful," said Geri York, who managed to get backstage to meet one of her favorite singers.

"The first time I heard "Heart of the Appaloosa," I just cried," she said, telling Damron that

all the effort decorating two bicycles and a wagon was worth it, she added.

"It's a wonderful thing," she said. "My kids look forward to it every year. "We're trying to make it a tradition, to drive in for this parade every year."

When the group, led by a Big Spring Fire/EMS Department engine and ambulance, had made its way from Stonehaven to Goliad, spectators and parade participants gathered for a prayer and patriotic music.

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year," said Ben Bancroft, foundation chairman.

And despite gusty winds, the weather cooperated.

After temperatures reached 105 degrees earlier in the week, there were some fears that the heat would linger and turn the stone Amphitheatre into a oven-like structure. But that didn't happen.

In fact the high Saturday was in the lower 90s and as the sun started to sink in the West Texas sky, the conditions in the Amphitheatre were quite pleas-

ant as the wind died a bit.

Much of the audience was in its seats when Damron, one of the founders of the world renowned Kerrville Folk Festival, took the stage.

Damron sang a variety of music, including some children's songs, and had the audience tapping its collective feet and participating in his portion of the program and leaving them calling for more when his time was finished.

By the time the symphony and chorus began their performance some 45 minutes later, the concession stands had been visited and revisited and the crowd was ready for the business at-hand.

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March," the crowd rose as one in salute to the colors.

Then, with the Big Spring Police Department Color Guard presenting the colors, O'Brien took the stage to lead the pledge, followed by the playing of the "Star Spangled Banner."

Once the veterans, Scouts and Color Guard were away from the stage, the armed forces were saluted by the playing of the respective song of each branch of the military — Army, Coast Guard, Marines, Air Force and Navy.

The program then moved on to Sousa's "Liberty Bell March," followed by Gould's "American Salute."

After that, trumpeter Michael Santorelli and alto Pam Moss wowed the crowd with a duet rendition of Gershwin's "Summertime" before the tempo switched quickly to the hoe-down from "Rodeo."

And at that moment, it was time to head into the home stretch, as chorus director Stan Hanes took the baton to direct the presentation of a star-spangled spectacular, featuring Cohan's "You're A Grand Old Flag" and "I'm A Yankee Doodle Dandy" as the crowd cheered loudly.

But not so much as they did when John Ross sang Lee Greenwood's "God Bless the U.S.A." just before Wilhousky's "Battle Hymn of the Republic" and Tchaikovsky's "Overture 1812."

And for anyone who has ever been to a fireworks presentation accompanied by music, "Overture 1812" is the song that gets everything started.

Saturday night was no different. As the "1812 Overture" was played, the first of the ground bombs was fired to simulate the cannon fire in the song, setting the stage for the fireworks.

Music played during the fireworks show included "This Land is Your Land," "This is My Country," "America" and "Texas, Our Texas."

Also, "The Yellow Rose of Texas," "Deep in the Heart of Texas," "God Bless America" and "America the Beautiful."

And by the time the final song of the evening, Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever" was played, the audience was on its feet — cheering and shouting in approval.

Then, a 20-foot by 12-foot American flag made of more than 800 lances was lighted while the final aerial displays of the night will be launched and the crowd continued to cheer wildly.

Pops in the Park was presented by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Big Spring Herald, Big Spring Symphony and City of Big Spring.

San Angelo woman dies from injuries in Friday accident

A 23-year-old San Angelo woman died of injuries she sustained in a one-vehicle rollover Friday night, 14.7 miles south of Big Spring.

Janell Sedillo was pronounced dead at 6:13 a.m. Saturday by Dr. Mindy Burst at University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Sedillo was a passenger in a vehicle traveling northbound on U.S. 87 when it overturned about 11:55 p.m. Friday, according to a Department of Public Safety spokesperson in Midland.

The driver, 25-year-old Eli Daniel Flores of San Angelo,

and a passenger, one-year-old Anna Flores, were treated for minor injuries at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and released.

According to the DPS report, the driver had fallen asleep, and the vehicle drifted into the northbound ditch. Flores told Trooper Jason Hester he took evasive action across the southbound lane and that vehicle rolled one time.

Both the woman and the infant were in the back seat at the time of the accident, according to the DPS.

The report indicated the driver was wearing a seat belt when the accident occurred. The woman was not wearing a seat belt and the baby was not in an infant seat.

POLICE

Big Spring Police Department reported the following during a period from 8 a.m. Friday to 5 p.m. Saturday.

• NORMAN TIMMERMAN, 23, was arrested at 1407 Mesquite for Class C assault by threats.

• ABLE GUZMAN 17, was arrested at 1009 Rannels for possession of marijuana.

• JIMMY JUAREZ, 29, was arrested in the 200 block of W. 18th for possession of marijuana.

• ADOLPHO BOTELLO, 30, was arrested at 2005 Nolan for assault/family violence.

• CARLOS CHAPA, 18, was arrested at 1608 E. Sixth on county warrants.

• RAFAEL LOPEZ, 54, was arrested at Austin and E. Fourth for public intoxication.

• MARK MCPHEARSON, 34, was arrested at 300 Tulane for no driver's license.

• ERNESTO GOMEZ, 38, was arrested at Sixth and Aylesford for public intoxication.

• JOSE GOMEZ, 39, was arrested at Sixth and Aylesford for public intoxication.

• FIDENCIO DELEON, 29, was arrested at Sixth and Aylesford for public intoxication.

• ENOELLA SEGUNDO, 45, was arrested at 1308 College for public intoxication.

• TONY SPARKS, 24, was arrested at mile marker 183 EB on Nolan County warrants.

• BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported at 1501 E. Sixth and 212 N. Johnson.

• DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported at 407 E. 11th, Comanche Trail Park and the 300 block of E. 14th Place.

• THEFT was reported at 401 Johnson, 1911 Scurry, 2203 Morrison, 2310 Wasson, 400 Gregg, 1101 N. Lamesa, 1505 E. Sixth, 1307 14th and 2000 Gregg.

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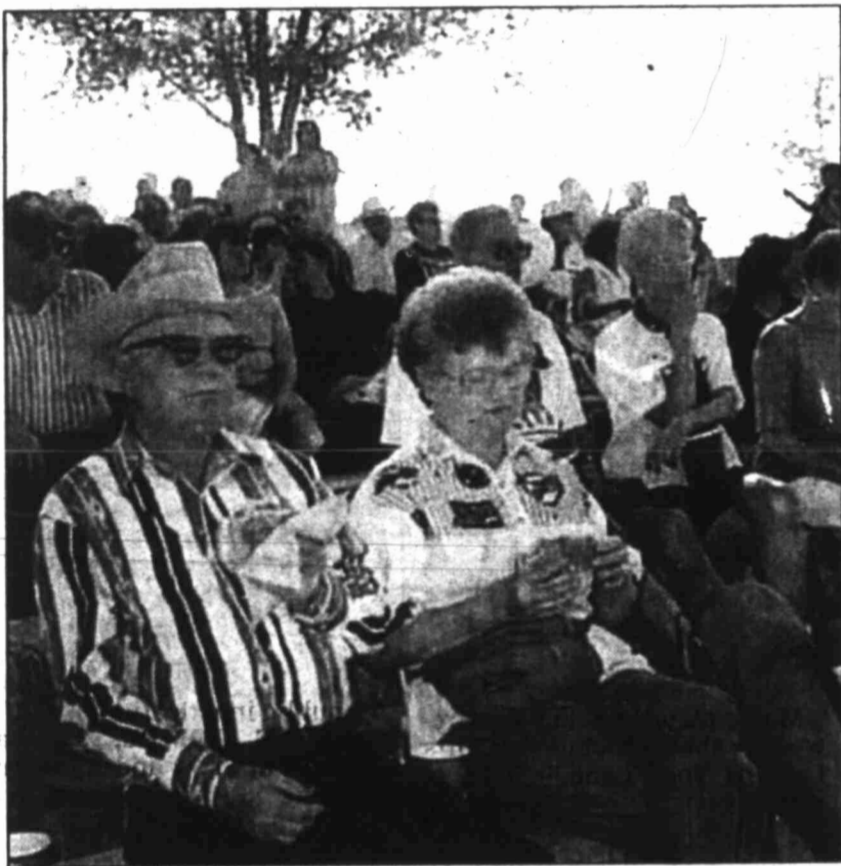
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Clockwise from top: Bradley Cahall and Anna York watch the fireworks from a pickup bed. Clayton McKinnon demonstrates his secret shake for lemonade. Alton and Lorene Carter of Lamesa drove into Big Spring just to see the activities at Comanche Trail Park Amphitheatre.



## Making things go bang not as simple as lighting a match, technician says

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

Months of planning go into an hour's performance of fireworks and lighted displays, according to pyrotechnician John Guthals, who provided the fireworks Saturday at Pops in the Park.

"I've been doing this since 1984, I've always liked fireworks, and I guess you could say this takes a lot of guts," said Guthals, from San Angelo. Guthals and his son Chris also produced the lighted display for the first Pops in the Park in 1998, and he was delighted that this year's event included new types of aerial entertainment.

"We've got a new one called Happy Stars, and when it went off I was just as amazed as the crowd, because all I had been told was that it would be so beautiful that it would make everybody happy," he said.

Happy Stars was airborne just as "America" was being performed by the Big Spring Symphony during the Music to Watch Fireworks By portion of the Fourth of July celebration.

And Guthals had also worked to provide other lighted shows for each patriotic song performed during that portion of the evening.

During "Texas Our Texas," Guthals provided purple and silver cressettes and candles that provided a beautiful shower of light in the darkened summer sky.

Candles, Guthals said, are lighted devices similar to artillery shells that look like hockey pucks going into the sky.

"These zig up through the sky until they go out. Then there is something similar to a shot gun blast, but the blast is colors instead of lead balls," he said.

Also yellow was the theme of the lights during the performance of the "Yellow Rose of Texas."

"We'll have Golden Tails and Crackly Cressettes. These are yellow bombs, similar to aerial shells that sail into the air and explode at the end," Guthals said.



HERALD photo/Marsha Sturdivant  
John Guthals, left, instructs his volunteers Rachel Bryant and Chris Guthals about placement of fireworks before the event Saturday at the Comanche Trail Park Amphitheatre.

The 12x20-foot flag was held aloft with the use of a large crane. Guthals explained that legal reasons prohibited setting the flag on the telephone poles, as was done last year.

"It was really too close to the crowd last year," he said.

Another lighted treat Guthals said he enjoyed seeing was the Whirlwinds, which performed in bright colors at the delight of the crowd.

Guthals said to be a licensed pyrotechnician, an individual must assist at five different shows that are conducted with the use of permits under the direction of a license technician.

"And then I had to pass a test in Austin to be able to do this," he said.

The entire performance was done through the use of a control panel that had a power switch attached by wires to each of the fireworks.

"By pressing a button, or switch, I set each display. The displays are all wired to the control panel," he said.

Wind speed caused some concern during the day Saturday.

and Guthals explained that by law he could not set off the fireworks unless the wind speed was less than 25 miles per hour.

He had made concessions for altering the blast of the fireworks to shoot more into the wind, to better control the display should the need arise, he said.

But even the weather blessed the second annual Pops in the Park for Big Spring residents, who enjoyed the event.



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OUR VIEWS

Time to ponder the reasons we celebrate today

We celebrated Independence Day in Big Spring in the most American of ways on Saturday — picnics in the park, food concessions, live music, patriotic songs and fireworks.

It is, after all, the American thing to do ... But stop for a moment and think about the events that brought about our Independence Day.

Some 223 years ago, our founding fathers gathered in Philadelphia to sign a document that became known as our country's Declaration of Independence.

Men, women and children — persecuted in England and wanting more control over their respective lives — came to the land we now know as the United States of America to begin anew.

Their freedom, and that freedom we enjoy today, was not easily obtained and it was paid for with blood, sweat, tears and the lives of many.

These days it's hard to find someone who feels there are things seriously wrong with our country and, in many cases, they are right. We still experience racial hatred in some locations and what about the newest of our worries ... the safety of our children in school?

But for all that might be wrong with our America, the democratic system under which our country operates is still the strongest and longest surviving of any in the world.

While other countries experience revolution and revolt, our democratic process has stood the test of time.

So, today when you fire up that grill for the hamburgers and hot dogs, take a moment to look to the heavens and offer a prayer of thanks for those who gave us our country and those who have helped preserve it.

Unfurl your flag and display it proudly because it truly is a grand old flag and this is a grand old nation.

God bless America ... and God bless all Americans, wherever they may be today.

OTHER VIEWS

President Clinton proposes that Americans avert a looming crisis in their ability to fund Medicare by expanding the coverage the program provides.

He wants to offer prescription drug benefits to 39 million people.

This is the kind of cynical, non-serious proposal the American people have learned to expect from one of the most feckless members of the Baby Boom generation.

Clearly, it will be up to the responsible members of the generation to arrange a health care system their children can afford to finance.

The president is to outline his proposal to save Medicare from bankruptcy, and real leadership on the issue would be most welcome.

At the current rate of spending, the program will go bankrupt within the decade.

The baby boom generation can have the same Medicare

coverage their parents now enjoy only by imposing staggering taxes on their own children. ...

CHARLESTON (W.V.A.)  
DAILY MAIL

When the legislation that created Medicare was enacted in 1965, doctors depended more on surgery than drugs to treat serious ailments like heart disease and cancer. ...

As President Clinton has repeatedly pointed out, medical care has advanced in ways that Medicare has not. Today, prescription drugs extend life spans by decades. That's why Clinton was right Tuesday to outline a plan for adding a modest drug coverage option to Medicare.

The biggest benefit might be not the direct payments but Medicare's price-bargaining power with drug makers, who shudder at the prospect of volume discounts that would cut into their record profits. ...

LOS ANGELES TIMES

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Something about Small Town, America celebrations

There's just something about a small town celebration of the Fourth of July that overwhelms those million dollar productions in Boston and Chicago and other places.

No, the \$10,000 we spent on fireworks can't compare to those great shows that we watch each summer on stations like WGN, WOR or A&E ... but there's something about their efforts that can't compare to ours.

Perhaps it's a day in the park, seeing people you know and realizing how their children or grandchildren have grown in the past 12 months.

Perhaps it's being close together and realizing that you

know those folks who are carrying the flag or who are playing in the orchestra or singing in the chorus.

Perhaps it's half of the community turning out for the day and evening in the park.

And perhaps it is all of those things.

In a large city, people are hired to pull off the production — in part because it is such a big effort — but in Small Town, America we "hire" volunteers to pull off the production.

Why? Well, the price is right for one but, more importantly, I believe you get an effort and a commitment out of a volunteer that is hard to match in someone hired specifically for the task.

Volunteers, you see, want to make sure those flags are in just the right position and that everything is just so-so.

That's not because it's their job, but because it's their project.

There's no doubt that the

community enjoyed Saturday night's Pops in the Park and the volunteers who worked so hard should know that while the applause and cheers and whistles and shouts were for the music and song and fireworks, it was also for you and your efforts in making the program possible.

To me, there's nothing in the world like listening to an orchestra play "Stars and Stripes Forever" and I can never get over the feeling I get when I hear the music get into what I call — for lack of musical knowledge — the home stretch. You know, when the orchestra really starts to hammer it home.

But then I think of my other favorites ... "Washington Post March," "Liberty Bell March," "You're A Grand Old Flag," and so many more that we get to listen to and sing along with on Saturday night.

When you look at all the work that went on in the park and all the people who were there, it's hard not to push out

your chest a bit and feel a little bit proud about being from Big Spring U.S.A.

To me, there's absolutely no feeling in the world like the one I get when I look down at Miranda and Andrew and see the twinkle in their eyes and hear the "oohs" and "aahs" as the fireworks charge into the night sky.

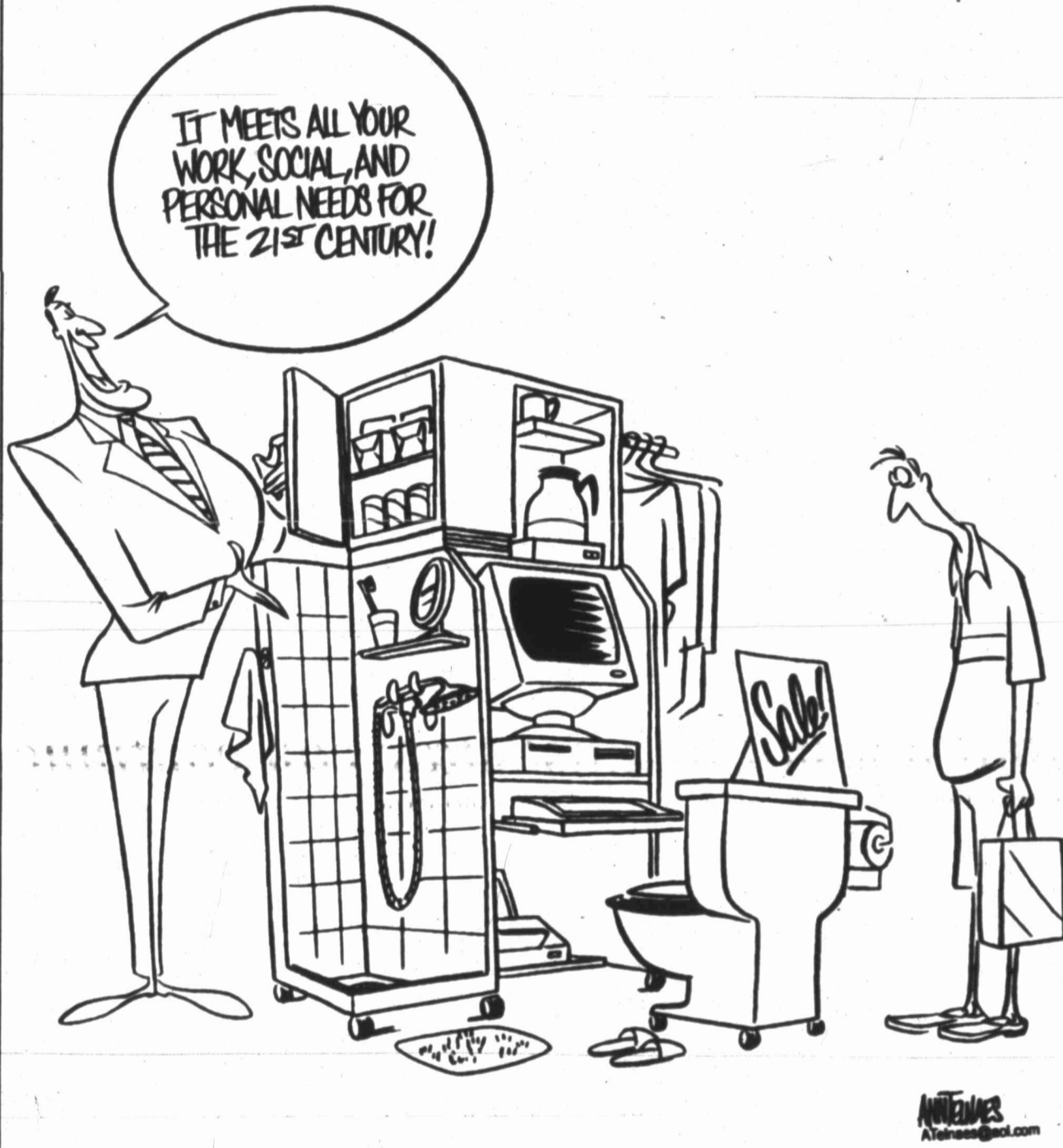
And I know every parent and grandparent has to feel the same way ... and those "oohs" and "aahs" help us experience the whole experience through the eyes of a child.

To all the folks who worked so hard to make it all happen ... to all of the volunteers who manned a station in the park on Saturday ... thanks for caring about our community and for giving us an Independence Day like you can only find in Small Town, America ... right here in our own home town.

Happy Independence Day!  
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Focus should be on agriculture, not armaments

The world's population is estimated at 6 billion. The U.S. population is around 270 million. In

just 30 years, the official guess is it will be 350 million-360 million.

Americans had better start paying attention to population and immigration.

Many in the conservative political camp pooh-pooh population concerns. Some see it as an excuse to promote abortion. Some have a superstitious belief that technology is the new god and can solve any problem. Some remember the excessive rhetoric of Paul Ehrlich, whose book "The Population Bomb" said in 1968 we'd be toast by the year 2000. Obviously, he was wrong. Most people are when they try to predict the future.

But he was wrong in his timing, not on his basic point. If you think a mushrooming population isn't going to eventually cause horrendous problems, then you will end up with more egg on your face than Ehrlich has on his. Already, some 2 billion folks live in abject misery with zero hope.



CHARLEY REESE

Those of us who live in air-conditioned offices and make our living wiggling our fingers on computer keyboards have to take special care not to lose touch with flesh-and-blood reality.

Lin Yu-tang, a Chinese writer, said it best many years ago: God created man with a bottomless pit called a stomach. Every day of a man's life, he must find something to put in it. Ultimately, human existence depends on agriculture, which in turn depends on topsoil and sweet water.

Population growth is not good for topsoil or sweet water.

Farmland converted to suburbs isn't productive, and underground aquifers, thousands of years in the making, aren't easily replenished once drained by irrigation so men can grow crops in places God never intended for those crops

to grow. Topsoil, once lost, flat can't be replaced.

There is this thing called carrying capacity. You can describe it as the amount of people a given piece of real estate and or a given set of natural resources can support. The real estate and the natural resources are finite. The variable is the population. As the population increases, the quality of life that a given amount of real estate and natural resources can provide decreases. And, at some point, poor quality of life becomes no life.

To use a simplistic example, two deer and a hundred acres is deer paradise; 1,000 deer and a hundred acres is a death sentence for the herd. And humans, despite our ability to alter our environment, ultimately are no different. There are limits, however strongly that concept is denied by people living an artificial existence far removed from the soil and sweat labor.

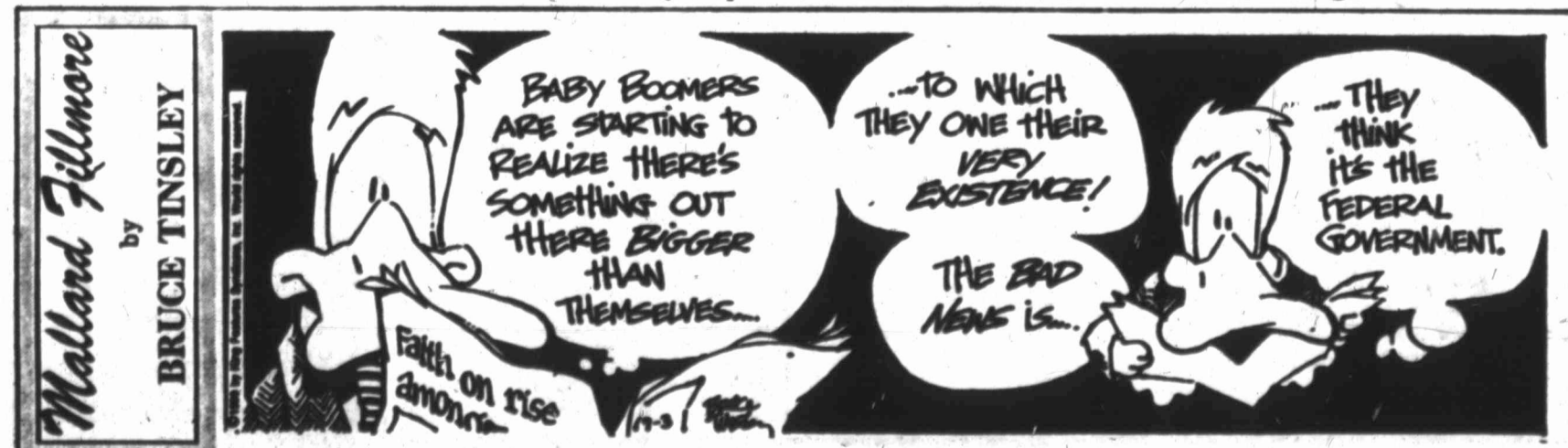
Dealing with population is complex. Often, technology aggravates rather than helps. Saving too many babies in Africa ultimately resulted in famine in some areas. Left

alone, nature had balanced — cruelly as it always does — the population with the resources. Medical technology upset that balance, so babies who didn't die of measles as infants died of starvation as adults.

As I said, there are limits. The big danger facing Americans is complacency. We are so blessed (or, if you atheists prefer, so lucky) we have forgotten that affluence like ours is an aberration, not the norm. The norm in human existence is poverty. We tend to forget, too, that the constant in human life is impermanence.

Conservatives and liberals alike need to focus their minds and energy more on earth, water and air rather than on ideology. We just literally blew up several billions of dollars worth of stuff and people in the Balkans and accomplished nothing except to intensify human misery. Agriculture, not armaments, is the real key to human security and human survival. That's where our focus should be.

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by BRUCE TINSLEY

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# Suspect in '63 church bombing says kin lying

DALLAS (AP) — A Texas man suspected in an infamous 1963 Alabama church bombing said his own family worries him more than the police who have pursued him for 35 years.

Bobby Frank Cherry of Malakoff, a 69-year-old former Klansman, said his own kin feed his biggest fears about allegations that have dogged him for decades.

"They're telling lies on me. I ain't never in my life!" he told The Dallas Morning News, professing innocence in the bombing of Birmingham's Sixteenth Street Baptist Church. "I don't believe none of the Klansmen, those poor boys like me, had anything to do with it."

A 23-year-old granddaughter told a federal grand jury in Birmingham last month that Cherry bragged of helping with the bombing, which killed four girls and became a symbol of racial hatred during the nation's civil rights struggle.

And Cherry's oldest son says he now doubts the alibi that he helped his father publicize when the case was reopened in 1997 — an alibi Cherry never mentioned in a sworn statement or repeated FBI interviews

*"I don't believe none of the Klansmen, those poor boys like me, had anything to do with it."*

-Bobby Frank Cherry, suspect

immediately after the bombing.

It was during those same interviews that Cherry told agents that "the only reason I didn't do the church bombing was maybe because someone beat me to it."

Authorities in Birmingham say they are reopening the case to resolve some of Alabama's ugliest unfinished business.

"Look at what they've done to me," Cherry said in an interview at his trailer home near Cedar Creek Lake. "It's all over Alabama that I confessed. Hell, I've never confessed to anything."

The terrorists' dynamite blast ripped through a basement where the girls were dressing for a Sunday youth service.

The attack was immediately

blamed on a Ku Klux Klan unit that had been long suspected of years of local bombings and racial violence that caused the city to be labeled "Bombingham."

In the months that followed, four members of the Eastview Klavern 13, including Cherry, were labeled suspects by the FBI.

Only one was ever charged. Authorities say the 1977 murder conviction of Robert Chambliss, who later died in an Alabama prison, hinged on the testimony of his niece.

Cherry said he suspects authorities are now using the same tactic to get to him and the only other living suspect, Thomas Blanton Jr. of Birmingham.

"Look at what they've done to me," Cherry said in an interview at his trailer home near Cedar Creek Lake in Malakoff. "It's all over Alabama that I confessed."

"Hell, I've never confessed to anything."

U.S. Attorney Doug Jones said he could not comment on Cherry or the investigation.

One of Cherry's granddaughters, 23-year-old Teresa Cherry

Stacy of Keller, Texas, said in an interview that she testified on June 14 that her grandfather talked often at family gatherings about "blowing up black people in a church in Birmingham."

"He never really said why. I think he was mostly proud of the fact that he did it," said Ms. Stacy. "It was no big secret."

She said she didn't know that what he was saying connected him to the infamous bombing until she saw him and her father on a 1997 television news report about the reopening of the case.

She said she hasn't spoken to her grandfather in more than a decade because they cut ties after she accused him of molestation. Cherry, his wife, Myrtle, and his youngest daughter say Tracy is lying about that, too.

"She's a habitual liar. She's been in that rehab," he said. "She's just a bad girl, and her father's putting her up to this."

Ms. Stacy acknowledged she went into a drug rehabilitation program at the age of 13, but she says she has not spoken with her father in years.

# Prison officials knew of 8-inch fence gap before prison escape

FORT WORTH (AP) — Prison officials knew an 8-inch gap in a prison fence was a security problem but failed to correct it until a convicted murderer used it to escape last week, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Saturday.

On June 27, Dallas murderer Clifford Dwayne Jones slipped free from one loop in a handcuff and scaled a 25-foot fence to the top of an enclosed recreational area in Huntsville's Estelle Unit. From there, he squeezed through the 8-inch gap between the top of the recreation yard and the roof of the prison, jumped to the ground and then cleared two other fences.

The flaw was noticed months ago as officials began construction at four units that are modeled after the 660-bed Estelle facility.

"Any time we build one of these cookie-cutter units that we use as prototypes for other units, we go through and find things that need to be fixed," Glen Castlebury, a Texas Department of Criminal Spokesman, said. "In this case, we made the correction at the units that are coming on line, but we didn't go back to the original unit."

Guards weren't tipped off to Jones' escape until he reached another fence equipped with sensing devices. A guard, alerted by the sensors, fired at Jones with a tear gas shell. The devices also started cameras, which recorded the breakout.

Jones then used a camera tower as a ladder to get over a second fence. He sprinted to a nearby woods as two shots from a .357-caliber Magnum zipped past him.

The inmate, 12 years into a 26-year sentence for fatally

shooting a Dallas man and wounding a police officer, was recaptured after a 49-hour manhunt.

Prison system officials said circumstances surrounding the escape will be investigated and any action needed to correct the unit's design or the department's policies will be taken.

Jones had spent a year at the Estelle unit, where each inmate is isolated in a single-bunk cell for 23 hours a day. When Estelle opened, prison officials touted it as state of the art for keeping gang members and other violent prisoners from preying on one another or on prison staff members.

Castlebury said it is not unusual for correctional officers and wardens to discover potential security breaches when new units open.

About 50 security-related changes have been ordered in the units being built in Lamesa, Amarillo, Wichita Falls and Woodville, Castlebury said. Some of those changes had already been made at Estelle.

But not until after Jones escaped did officials seal off the top of the recreation fence and close the gap between the fence and the prison roof, Castlebury said.

"Whenever we open a new facility, the engineers and the architects are confident that all the security features are the best they can be," Castlebury said. "But until COs (correctional officers) and inmates are actually in the place, you can't be sure."

"That's why almost as soon as Estelle opened, they were back in there saying we'll have to modify this or change that when we get ready to build the next unit."

# Motives unclear in 2 separate school arson cases

HOUSTON (AP) — Arson investigators say they are not certain why two teen-agers allegedly set separate fires that caused more than \$3 million dollars of damage to two Humble school district campuses.

The two youths, who first came under scrutiny after authorities received tips, have been accused of arson. The boys, whose names are being withheld because of their ages, have been released to the custody of their parents pending hearings.

The 13-year-old, an eighth-grader at Kingwood Middle School, was arrested last week and signed a statement acknowledging that he had set a June 7 blaze that caused \$3 million in damage to Elm Grove Elementary, Borden said.

Elm Grove's 600 pupils will be transferred to Humble Elementary when classes resume in August so that their school can be gutted and rebuilt, school district spokeswoman Karen Collier said.

Humble Elementary, eight miles from Elm Grove, recently had been vacated and sold to a private concern, which will now lease it back to the district temporarily, she said.

The teen, who previously had attended Elm Grove, told investigators that he was accompanied by an 11-year-old Kingwood Middle School pupil and a 12-year-old friend who attends Elm Grove.

Investigators said that the three were spending the night at the 13-year-old's house when they slipped out without his parents' knowledge about mid-

night with a jug of gasoline.

"It was kind of a follow-the-leader thing," Borden said. "The 13-year-old said he was going to set fire to the school, and they went along."

Breaking a window to get inside, Borden said, the boy set fire to desks and stacks of paper in at least two places.

"The 13-year-old later told us he didn't realize the fire would get that big," Borden said.

The two younger children are considered witnesses in the case and have not been charged, he said. However, school officials are reviewing the case and could take disciplinary action against all three, Collier said.

In a case of vandalism, students can be expelled, sent to a juvenile justice education program or assigned to a long-term disciplinary program in the

school district, she said.

The 14-year-old, a 9th grade student, was arrested Wednesday and signed a statement acknowledging that he set a fire at Riverwood Middle School in Kingwood on June 14, said Houston Fire Department arson investigator Ray Borden.

Damage from the blaze was estimated at \$40,000.

"This teen acted alone and just made a bad decision," Borden told the Houston Chronicle. "He never really said why he did it."

Two others remain unsolved: a fire on April 22 at Atascocita Middle School that destroyed two storage sheds and football equipment — a loss estimated at \$25,000; and a June 19 fire that destroyed playground equipment valued at \$400 at Deerwood Elementary.

# Judge rules that lawsuit against state can continue

WACO (AP) — A federal judge has cleared the way for a lawsuit that claims the federal government is responsible for the fiery and deadly end to the 1993 Branch Davidian standoff.

U.S. District Judge Walter S. Smith Jr. pared the number of defendants and plaintiffs, but ruled that the case can go to trial, said Mike Caddell, lead attorney for the Davidians.

"I think what the judge did is a great victory for the Davidians and for the country," Caddell said.

"Our folks can't be happier,

and look forward to having their day in court."

The lawsuit — filed by surviving Davidians and the relatives of the dead — challenges the government's conclusion that the Davidians started the fire and that they also shot first during the federal raid on their compound.

David Koresh and about 80 followers died in the fire that ended the 51-day standoff.

The defendants had included Attorney General Janet Reno, former Gov. Ann Richards and top officials of the Bureau of

Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and the FBI, including then-Director William Sessions. Smith's ruling dismissed all of the individual defendants except for FBI assistant special agent in charge, Lon T. Horiuchi.

"We're still reviewing the decision at this point," said Myron Marlin, a Justice Department spokesman.

The multimillion-dollar lawsuit has been on hold since early May while an appeals court considered whether Smith should be removed from the

case.

The plaintiffs wanted another judge because Smith has ruled in criminal cases involving Branch Davidians.

The Davidians contend that when federal agents punched through the walls and fired tear gas into the cult compound on April 19, 1993, the canisters ignited, burning the building and the people inside.

Congressional hearings have pointed to mistakes by the law enforcement officers, but none has ever been charged with a crime.

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## HMOs closing doors to 200,000 elderly, disabled Americans

WASHINGTON (AP) — The 200,000 elderly and disabled Americans losing their health care coverage when some HMOs cut off Medicare beneficiaries next year need to choose an alternative.

But Medicare officials stress that those affected can stay in their health plans until the end of this year and shouldn't rush to make a change.

"I would caution them not to act too quickly, to really consider their options," said Carol Cronin, Medicare's director of beneficiary services.

HMO pullouts from Medicare are expected to affect at least 200,000 people nationwide next year, according to estimates from the American Association of Health Plans.

HMOs must notify affected beneficiaries individually by mail no later than Oct. 1. But many will hear from their health plans within the next few weeks, AAHP President Karen Ignagni said.

"Plans are going to do their level best to get them a letter very soon," Ignagni said.

HMOs faced a July 1 deadline to let Medicare know their intentions for 2000, and the government is expected soon to complete an official tally of pending closings. Some large health plans have announced pullouts from selected markets already, including Cigna HealthCare, Pacificare Health Systems, United HealthCare and Humana.

For those looking for another

HMO, industry experts recommend waiting until fall to shop around.

Closing HMOs will have to provide service through Dec. 31. More importantly, those staying in business have until mid-September to notify beneficiaries of changes in their fees or benefit packages for 2000. The same financial pressures that have prompted some plans to close are expected to lead many others to make such changes this year.

"We would encourage people not to move too quickly because they really need to wait to have a sense of what their alternatives are going to be," said Howard Drescher, spokesman for Cigna HealthCare.

Those wanting to return to

traditional Medicare coverage are even more strongly cautioned to stay with their HMOs until Dec. 31. That's because special protections allowing them guaranteed access to certain Medigap policies — regardless of pre-existing medical conditions — apply only after the HMO terminates coverage, not if a person leaves voluntarily. Medigap policies are for private indemnity insurance and are designed to supplement Medicare.

One exception is for those who joined an HMO for the first time within the last 12 months: If they quit before the end of the first year of HMO enrollment, they are guaranteed re-enrollment in any Medigap policy held immediately prior to joining the HMO.

This year, about 400,000 Medicare beneficiaries in more than 30 states were affected when about 100 HMOs opted against renewing 1999 Medicare contracts after lawmakers cut the growth in payments to the plans as part of their 1997 agreement to balance the federal budget.

Retirees and disabled Americans who lose their HMOs are still covered by Medicare. "Whatever decisions HMOs make about doing business with Medicare, Medicare will always be there for every beneficiary," said Medicare Administrator Nancy-Ann DeParle.

This fall, Medicare will conduct an education campaign to help people understand their choices, including mailing them

basic information about HMOs still available in each zip code and offering more details on the Internet and through a toll-free telephone number.

Those beneficiaries who take no action to change their coverage will automatically be re-enrolled in traditional Medicare — in which the government directly handles each medical bill — on Jan. 1.

However, many of those affected by health plan closings have become accustomed to more comprehensive coverage offered by many HMOs. HMO perks often include lower out-of-pocket fees and benefits Medicare does not normally cover, such as prescription drugs, hearing aids and eye examinations.

## Hospital executives convicted in \$3 million insurance fraud

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Two executives of Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corp., the nation's biggest hospital chain, were convicted Friday of defrauding Medicare and other government insurance programs of nearly \$3 million.

The federal jury acquitted another executive and could not reach a verdict on a fourth defendant.

The executives were accused of bilking Medicare and Medicaid, which serve the

elderly, poor and disabled, and CHAMPUS, which is medical insurance for the military.

The trial resulted from a six-state investigation of Nashville-based Columbia/HCA facilities over their billing practices for the tax-supported insurance programs.

After the investigation began in 1997, Columbia/HCA, once the fastest growing hospital companies in the nation, ousted its top executives, stopped an aggressive acquisition program

and began a major downsizing, trimming from a high of 345 to 220 hospitals. The company, which has operations in 31 states, England and Sweden, has been negotiating a settlement with federal authorities.

Jay Jarrell and Robert Whiteside were found guilty of conspiring to defraud and defrauding the insurance programs. Michael Neeb was acquitted.

The jury could not reach a verdict on Carl Lynn Dick.

Prosecutors said they would decide next week whether they would seek to retry him.

The two men face maximum sentences of 30 years in prison and \$1.5 million in fines each. They are scheduled to be sentenced Oct. 15.

After the verdict, Neeb said he couldn't explain why he was acquitted and could not say whether he would remain with Columbia/HCA.

"(I will) spend some time with my family," he said. "I've been

away from my kids for a while."

The jury heard seven weeks of testimony and deliberated for four days.

The defendants were accused of submitting fraudulent requests to the government for reimbursement.

The requests came from Columbia/HCA's Fawcett Memorial Hospital in Port Charlotte. The hospital filed for reimbursement for interest paid on loans, but listed the interest as capital expenses. Capital

expenses are reimbursed by the government at a higher rate than interest costs are.

The defendants testified that they believed the payment requests were accurate, and their lawyers categorized the dispute as a difference in opinion about complicated Medicare regulations.

"These rules are not black and white. That's why this is not a criminal case. Reasonable people can disagree," said Jarrell's attorney, Peter George.

## Black, Orthodox Jews are targeted in what police think may be hate crimes

CHICAGO (AP) — A gunman wounded several Orthodox Jews walking home from synagogue, and within a few hours apparently the same attacker killed a black former college basketball coach and shot at Asian Americans.

A white man, motivated by hate, appeared to have carried out the attacks over a distance of about 10 miles in Chicago and its suburbs, police said Saturday.

Former Northwestern University coach Ricky Byrdsong died after being shot in the back while walking with his children. The Jews were wounded but none of the injuries appeared to life-threatening. No one else was hurt in the Friday night shootings.

Witnesses to each of the three shootings told police the shots were fired from a light blue sedan, Chicago police spokesman Pat Camden said.

Descriptions of the gunman — a white male, age 25 to 30, about 6 feet tall — also were similar in

all of the shootings and police were preparing a composite sketch, he said.

All three attacks took place on predominantly residential streets. And the last shootings were about 10 miles away from the scene of the first.

Police Superintendent Terry Hillard said the crimes appeared to be motivated by racial hatred.

The shootings began Friday evening in Chicago's largely Orthodox Rogers Park neighborhood as Jews were returning home from Sabbath services.

"They are so vulnerable on the Sabbath because they're walking down normal residential streets without anything to protect them," said Howard Carroll, a former state senator who lives in the neighborhood.

A little while later, Byrdsong was shot as he walked with his children near his home in the northern suburb of Skokie.

Byrdsong died Saturday at Evanston Hospital. His children were not injured.

Byrdsong, 42, had been working for an insurance company since he was fired by Northwestern in 1997 after four seasons.

A short time after the attack on Byrdsong and his family, police said, shots were fired at two Asian-Americans riding in a vehicle in the suburb of Northbrook. They were not injured.

In the Rogers Park shootings, one man and a 15-year-old boy were in serious condition, two men were in fair condition and two others were treated and released. A bullet passed through the clothing of another person, who was not injured.

Rogers Park residents were reluctant to speak with a reporter Saturday because of the Sabbath, but those who did said the neighborhood has become known for its safety.

"It's particularly frightening because there is nobody to blame here," said Harry Maryles as he left a synagogue Saturday.

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# NATO refuses to let Russians reinforce Kosovo peace force

WASHINGTON (AP) — NATO thwarted Russian attempts to fly reinforcements to its peacekeeping forces in Yugoslavia because the Kremlin wants to revise the agreement giving Russia a role in policing the peace, alliance and U.S. officials said Saturday.

NATO's military headquarters in Belgium expects the Russians this week to continue talks on the requested revisions. They broke off Wednesday without agreement after three days.

Russia wants to change an agreement reached in lengthy negotiations last month at Helsinki, Finland, that outlined Russian participation in a NATO-led peacekeeping force.

NATO officials speaking on condition of anonymity said Russia wants to send some of its troops into sectors of Kosovo controlled by other NATO countries. Separately, Russia wants to water down NATO's command of Russian forces.

"We continue to work with Russian military representatives on the arrangements" for its participation, a U.S. official said. "It is NATO's view that we should complete all of these arrangements before additional Russian forces deploy to Kosovo."

German Col. Michael Kaemmerer, a NATO official at the Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, site of the talks, said they were to have

lasted seven to 10 days, aiming to work out deployment details such as a timeline, liaison procedures and so on.

He said the Russians are invited to return this week. In Washington, Pentagon spokeswoman Maj. Ginger Blazicko said talks are scheduled.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright took a break from a European vacation Friday and telephoned her Russian counterpart, Igor Ivanov, a U.S. official said.

The official had no details of the call, but The New York Times said Albright explained to Ivanov NATO's objections to a full Russian deployment before all problems with the agreement are settled.

Authorities on both sides of the Atlantic said Russia asked Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria late last week for corridors through which Ilyushin cargo planes could fly soldiers to join about 700 Russian troops and technicians already in Kosovo, a province of the Yugoslav republic Serbia.

NATO member Hungary and Romania and Bulgaria, both of which want to join the alliance, rejected the requests.

"The nations (involved) have not granted overflight rights, and there is not an inclination to do so until all arrangements are completed," a U.S. official said. "We support that inclination."

Still, news agencies reported

in Moscow that two Il-76 aircraft were being loaded with military hardware and other cargo Saturday in preparation for a Sunday airlift of about 100 paratroopers, the first of an eventual 2,900 additional troops planned for the Russian contingent. They said another four Il-76s will fly Monday and Tuesday with 200 more soldiers.

The Russian agencies said Hungary refused overflights, but they did not mention Bulgaria or Romania.

Tanjug, Yugoslavia's government-run agency, reported from Moscow that all three rejected overflights but "lively diplomatic activity is under way."

The Russians are at Slatina airport near Pristina, Kosovo's

provincial capital. Its first soldiers went there in an unexpected lightning move three weeks ago from nearby Bosnia, where they were serving with a Western-led peacekeeping operation.

Lt. Gen. Victor Zavarzin, commander of the push into Kosovo, quickly became a hero at home and was awarded a third star by President Boris Yeltsin.

In Boston, The Globe reported Saturday that Zavarzin was known to NATO commanders as a high-ranking spy. On that basis, the newspaper said, Gen. Wesley Clark, NATO's supreme commander, rejected Russia's nomination of Zavarzin as the Kremlin's liaison with NATO.

## Calls for peace, action dominate Indian rally

WHITECLAY, Neb. (AP) — Calls for militant action mingled with prayer drums and pleas for peace Saturday as Indian activists gathered to protest alleged treaty violations, unsolved murders and alcohol sales.

After an early afternoon rally, several hundred members of the Oglala Sioux tribe of South Dakota and activists began a two-mile march from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation over the state line toward Whiteclay.

Troopers said they would allow the marchers into Nebraska, but not into the town, whose 22 residents had been ordered to leave the day

before by Gov. Mike Johanns.

While tribal leaders said it would be a peaceful march, participants have also vowed to set up teepees and occupy the village until state officials address their concerns.

It marked the second protest in recent days; a week ago, a rally in Whiteclay ended with looting and burning.

"If I had it my way, we'd tear the damn town down to the ground, but we can't do that," American Indian Movement activist Clyde Bellecourt, an organizer of last week's rally, said.

With President Clinton visiting Pine Ridge next week, trib-

al leaders said it was important to show they can solve problems without resorting to violence.

He is expected to discuss economic development in Indian communities and tour tornado-damaged parts of Oglala.

The protest stems from allegations by AIM leaders and members of the Oglala Sioux that the U.S. government has violated an 1868 treaty that reserved parts of North Dakota and South Dakota, Wyoming, Montana and Nebraska for the Sioux.

Tribe members also are upset that four stores in Whiteclay sell more than \$3 million worth

of beer each year, mostly to Indians with drinking problems. Alcohol is banned on the reservation, a 5,000-square-mile expanse that is home to 15,000 Oglala Sioux and one of the nation's highest alcoholism-related mortality rates.

"If the bars weren't there, a lot of our people, including my cousin and younger brother, would be alive today," said Tom Poor Bear.

Also, tribe members say local police have not done enough to investigate the deaths of Wilson Black Elk Jr., 40, and Ronald Hard Heart, 39, whose bodies were found June 8 in a culvert near the Nebraska line.

## In Philadelphia, a birthday photo taken for the century

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — On the fourth minute of the seventh hour today, a flash bulb will capture the faces of a century and the future of the millennium in America.

Peering through the camera lens, the photographer will see whites laughing with blacks; wrinkled hands touching young babies; descendants of immigrants standing side-by-side with Native Americans.

Together, these 112 people who were born on July 4 throughout the 1900s, will make up the "Photo of the Century" in front of Independence Hall.

They will include twins, triplets and quadruplets, a man and his dog, a mother and daughter, and a husband and wife.

"This is historical, and I'm the one. I'm the oldest one. What an honor," said Betty Marx, of Belleair Bluffs, Fla., who was born in 1900.

Not all the participants will be old enough to understand the historical value of the event — especially the newborn to be chosen between midnight and 7:04 a.m.

But the ones who are say

Hollywood couldn't have scripted a more dramatic or compelling birthday party.

Karolyn Grimes, who played Jimmy Stewart's daughter in the film "It's a Wonderful Life," will represent the year 1940.

"I can't help but think it's such a privilege. Not only being in that wonderful classic film, but living in this country — America — makes it a wonderful life," Ms. Grimes said.

The photo will be posted on the Internet, and officials will eventually find a place to permanently display the photo in Philadelphia and other interested cities, event spokeswoman Danielle Cohn said.

In January, Philadelphia was bombarded with photos and essays from people around the country vying to be a part of the photo.

Alton Cotton, 40, of Brownwood, Texas, secretly sent an application in for his mother, Liberty Bell Cotton, 63.

"She raised nine kids by herself and she's never ever been out of Texas."

"I figured it was a pretty good once-in-a-life-time event," he said.

## Survey: Public support of news media tumbling in America

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — There is further evidence that the American public is getting fed up with the news media.

A majority, 53 percent, of those questioned in a survey sponsored by the First Amendment Center at Vanderbilt University believe the press has too much freedom. That's a 15 percent increase since 1997.

"It's a humbling reminder that fundamental rights of expression can disappear if the press and public are not vigilant," said Ben Paulson, the center's executive director.

The survey, released to coincide with the July 4th weekend, explores American commitment to the 45-word First Amendment that guarantees freedoms of religion, speech, the press, petition and assembly.

The poll shows most Americans celebrate the 208-year-old freedoms but are not entirely comfortable with them, particularly when practiced on emotionally charged issues such as burning the American flag, school prayer, sexually explicit material on the Internet, public display of offensive art and protests by groups such as white supremacists.

The poll identified freedom of speech as one of the most cherished of constitutional rights, followed by freedom of religion and the Second Amendment's right to bear arms.

Even so, when asked to name any of the specific rights guaranteed by the First Amendment, 49 percent could not. Sixty-three percent said their own knowledge of the

amendment was poor or "only fair."

That worries some constitutional scholars.

"Those who follow such things know that the First Amendment is under incredible assault on a daily basis, whether from adverse court decisions, proposed laws, scholarly studies or citizen initiatives," Paul McMasters, the center's ombudsman for the First

Amendment, wrote in an analysis of the poll.

"... The evidence is substantial that the state of the First Amendment is not good. Further, we must be mindful that where attitudes go, action is seldom far behind."

Freedom of the press took the hardest hit in the survey, which McMasters said indicates "the news media is in deep trouble with the American public."

Only 65 percent said newspapers should be able to publish freely without government approval of a story — down from 80 percent in the 1997 survey.

By notable majorities, Americans also said the news media should not be allowed to endorse or criticize political candidates, use hidden cameras for newsgathering or publish government secrets.

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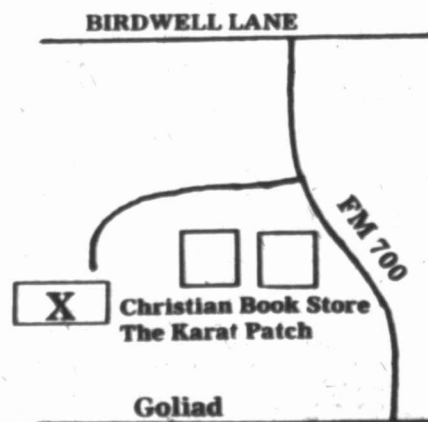
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### IN BRIEF

#### Comanche Trail slates 'Chili Shake' for Monday

The Comanche Trail Golf Course will have a "Chili Shake" tournament at 1 p.m. Monday to raise funds for buying a new television for the club house.

Fees for the three-man team event will be \$25 per player. The field will be limited to the first 72 entrants.

The deadline for entries is 10 a.m. Monday.

For more information, call Jack Birdwell at 264-2366.

#### Dunlap, Brode top field in YMCA's 3-mile event

Adam Dunlap was the first runner to cross the finish line and Jill Brode topped the women's field Saturday during the YMCA Fun Run at Comanche Trail Park.

Dunlap crossed the three-mile race with a 20:16.0 clocking, easily outdistancing the second-place finisher in the men's Under 35 division, Charlie Martinez, who was clocked at 24:43.0. Jose Chavez was third with a 26:42.

Brode was actually the second person to reach the finish line, finishing the race with a 21:15.0 time to win the women's Under 35 division. Amy Reese was second in that group with a 26:15.0 clocking and Somer Leubner was third at 32:07.

Javier Beccera took the men's Over 36 division championship with a 23:49.0 clocking, the third best time in the entire field.

Rick Liles finished right behind Beccera at 23:56.0, while Dean Look was close on his heels with a 23:59, making that division the race's most competitive.

Janet Reinert topped the women's Over 36 division field with a 35:48.0 clocking.

#### Country club schedules parent-child tournament

The Big Spring Country Club will hold its Parent-Child Golf Tournament July 10-11.

Fees for the trophy division will be \$30 per team, while fees for the open division will be \$80 per team.

Play begins with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Saturday. Sunday's round begins at 1 p.m.

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

#### Rose Magers-Powell's volleyball camp slated

The Rose Magers-Powell Volleyball Camp has been scheduled for July 22-24 at Big Spring High School's Steer Gym.

The camp will be for girls in the fourth through 12th grades. Camp sessions will be from 9 a.m. to noon for seventh-through ninth graders; from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. for fourth through sixth graders; and from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. for 10th through 12th graders.

Fees will be \$30 for fourth through sixth graders, \$70 for seventh through ninth graders and \$75 for 10th through 12th graders.

For more information, call Traci Pierce at 267-4047.

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6:40 p.m. — Seattle Mariners at Texas Rangers, KBST-AM 1490.

#### Television

**AUTO RACING**  
1 p.m. — NASCAR Grand National DieHard 250, TNN, Ch. 35.

**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**  
7 p.m. — Atlanta Braves at New York Mets, ESPN, Ch. 30.

**GOLF**  
1 p.m. — Senior PGA State Farm Senior Classic, final round, ESPN, Ch. 30.  
2 p.m. — PGA Western Open, final round, ABC, Chs. 2 and 8.  
2 p.m. — American Century Celebrity Championship, NBC, Ch. 9.

**SOCCER**  
3:30 p.m. — FIFA Women's World Cup, semifinals, United States vs. Brazil, ESPN, Ch. 30.

**TENNIS**  
8 a.m. — Wimbledon Championships, men's and women's finals, NBC, Ch. 9.

## Coahoma's White earns spot on TSWA Class 2A all-state team

From staff and wire reports

Coahoma pitcher Delvin White, who led the Bulldogs to a third straight trip to the Class 2A state semifinals this season, has been named a second-team pick on the Texas Sports Writers Association's all-state teams announced Friday.

White, a junior left-hander, finished the 1999 season with a 10-4 record, striking out 206 batters in 85 innings of work.

The Bulldogs' ace finished the season with a 1.98 ERA, as well as being one of the team's leading hitters.

Coahoma's top slugger, White hit seven home runs and led the team in RBI with 33. He finished the season with a .372 batting average, striking out just eight times.

Brandon Shaw, who pitched Cooper past Coahoma in the Class 2A semifinals and then chalked up a save in the state championship win, was named the TSWA's Class 2A Player of the Year.

In addition, Cooper boss Rodney Rainey was named Class 2A Coach of the Year.

The Class 4A team was dominated by Andrews' state champion Mustangs, as they earned two first-team selections, one second-team pick and two more spots on the third team.

Mustangs head coach Joe Ray Halsey was named Class 4A Coach of the Year.

The Mustangs' first-team selections were pitcher Chris Trevino and shortstop Shaud Williams, who was also the TSWA's football Offensive Player of the Year.

Trevino finished the season with a 10-0 record and a 1.16 ERA. He struck out 113 batters during the Mustangs march to the title.

Williams, who has signed a letter of intent to play football and baseball at Texas Tech this fall, batted at a .489 clip during the 1999 season and finished the year with a .592 on-base percentage. He had five doubles, five triples and nine home runs on the season and was credited with stealing 34 bases.

Spring pitcher Josh Beckett, who was selected by the Florida Marlins with the second pick in last month's Major League Baseball amateur draft, was named the TSWA's Class 5A Player of the Year after posting a 13-2 record, striking out 178 batters and compiling a 0.39 ERA for the Lions.

Beckett was joined on the 5A squad by two players and a coach from state champion Houston Bellaire. Shortstop Enrique Cruz and outfielder Kyle Smith both earned first-team honors, while Rocky Manual was voted Class 5A Coach of the Year after leading the Cardinals to the state title.

The Class 4A team was also led by Brenham's Dustin Majewski, who took Player of the Year honors after setting a state record for RBIs with 77. Majewski batted .542 in the Cubs' run to the state tournament.

At the Class 3A level, pitcher J.R. Pickens of state runner-up Liberty was named Player of the Year, while Rich Fontenot of state champion West took

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## Just short of 'all-American'

### Sampras, Agassi, Davenport head into U.S.-flavored Wimbledon finals

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Pete Sampras and Andre Agassi will meet in an all-American final at Wimbledon on the Fourth of July.

A third American, Lindsay Davenport, will play for the women's title against seventh-time champion Steffi Graf.

Sampras, seeking his sixth Wimbledon title in seven years, advanced to the final by rallying to beat Britain's Tim Henman 3-6, 6-4, 6-3, 6-4 Saturday.

Agassi swept past Australia's Patrick Rafter 7-5, 7-6 (7-5), 6-2 to take over the world's No. 1 ranking. He moved within one victory of becoming the first player to win the French Open and Wimbledon back to back since Bjorn Borg in 1980.

Graf reached her ninth Wimbledon final, overcoming 17-year-old Mirjana Lucic 6-7 (7-3), 6-4, 6-3 in 1 hour, 50 minutes. She's chasing her 23rd Grand Slam title.

"I can't ask for much more," Graf said. "To win the French Open (last month) and to win through to the finals again, that's an incredible few weeks."

Davenport reached her first Wimbledon championship match by beating 18-year-old qualifier Alexandra Stevenson 6-1, 6-1 in 47 minutes.

Sampras is one victory from equalling Roy Emerson's record of 12 Grand Slam titles. He ended Henman's bid to become the first Briton to win the men's championship since 1936.

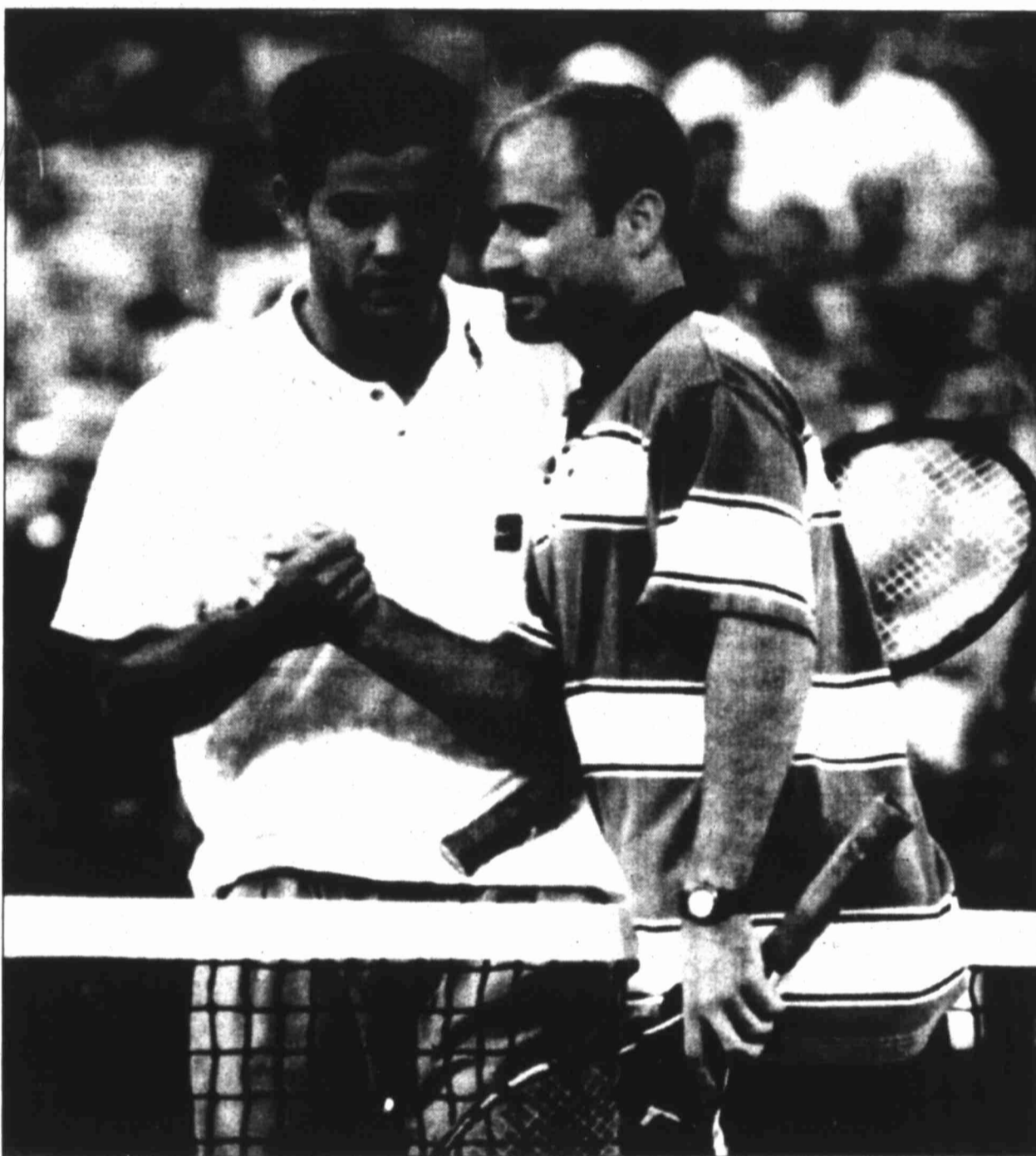
Agassi put on a scintillating display of baseline tennis to thwart the serve-and-volley game of Rafter.

While never being broken, he applied continuous pressure on the Australian's serve with stinging returns off both wings.

The only danger Agassi faced was at 4-5 in the first set when he saved two set points against his serve.

The ninth game of the second set lasted more than 11 minutes. It went to deuce eight times as Rafter saved seven break points.

Even though Rafter won the game, Agassi kept firing returns. He took the tiebreaker with a backhand cross court winner and swept easily through the third set.



Pete Sampras accepts congratulations from Andre Agassi after winning the U.S. Open men's singles championship in 1995. The two Americans will square off in today's Wimbledon men's singles final, while Lindsay Davenport will face Steffi Graf in the women's championship game.

The victory continued Agassi's remarkable resurgence. At one stage last year, he had dropped to No. 141 in the world and was playing in low-tier Challenger events.

Agassi surprised himself by winning the French Open last month and now is back in the final of a tournament he won in 1992.

Sampras looked listless in losing the first set to Henman, who broke him twice.

He received treatment on his right thigh during changeovers in the second set, but never showed signs of injury as he rallied to win the match.

Henman sealed his downfall by double faulting on set point at 4-5 in the second set. Sampras celebrated by doing a little dance at the baseline.

Sampras broke early in the

third set, broke at love for 5-4 in the fourth and served out the match easily.

Lucic, at No. 134, was the lowest ranked player to reach a Grand Slam semifinal since rankings were introduced in 1975. She gave Graf a stern test, continuously putting pressure on her serve with return winners.

There were eight breaks of serve in the first set. In the tiebreaker, Lucic overpowered Graf with a series of punishing ground stroke winners.

There was only one break in the second set, with Lucic losing serve in the final game. She blew an easy forehand volley on set point, slapping the ball wide.

From 4-4 in the second set, Graf won five straight games to go up 3-0 in the third set.

Lucic had a chance to hit back with Graf serving for the match at 5-3, 15-30. But she netted an easy backhand volley at the net, sailed a forehand way long and surrendered the match by netting a forehand return.

Graf wore a bandage around her left thigh, but showed no sign of injury. She parried questions about whether this might be her last Wimbledon.

"It's not the time to think about that now," she said.

But Graf said it would be "tempting" to try to equal Martina Navratilova's record of nine Wimbledon singles titles.

In the opening Centre Court match, Stevenson appeared awed by the occasion as she had trouble keeping the ball in

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## U.S. women face Brazil in semifinal

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Five years to the day since the U.S. national soccer team sought to make World Cup history against Brazil, it will do so again.

With just the slightest difference: gender.

Oh, and maybe one other: The Americans are favored.

Today, the U.S. women play their semifinal match at Stanford Stadium against the Brazilians. At the same site in the 1994 men's tournament, Brazil edged the United States 1-0. It went on to win its fourth world championship.

The American women remember that game well.

"Going back to 1994, well, as some of you know I am a huge soccer fanatic," defender Brandi Chastain said Friday after most of the U.S. squad was given the day off. "So I did a lot of traveling that summer to all the games in California. Today I had a flashback as the bus was driving in on the Embarcadero of me driving to the USA-Brazil match in 1994 with a big American flag draped on my car. And I was thinking how exciting it is to have people driving that same route to come see us play in such a similar and important game."

The '94 game was considered the most significant in U.S. soccer history. This match has the makings of such import, too.

"The U.S. men did very well in that game, almost falling back into a bunker style defense," midfielder Julie Foudy recalled. "I remember it was hot. I remember the enthusiasm of the crowd and that it was just packed on July 4 and very patriotic."

"We are hoping for that same kind of atmosphere, and I'm very confident we will achieve the same thing."

Except they expect to win. Of course, so does Brazil, which blew a 3-0 lead to Nigeria before advancing on Sissi's overtime free kick goal.

"The Americans are very well trained and prepared for this championship," said Sissi, who leads the tournament with seven goals. "We are the stage that whatever the results, we can hold our heads high and be proud of our results and the push for women's football in Brazil."

"But yes, of course, we will approach the game with the Americans to win, and with

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## New Coahoma boss no stranger to 'Bulldog Country'

When Coahoma trustees selected Robert Wood as the Bulldogs new athletic director and head football coach, they were hiring no stranger.

Wood, who has spent the past six seasons as offensive coordinator and linebackers coach under David Baugh at Snyder, says he's pretty familiar with both Coahoma and Howard County.

The new Bulldogs boss, you see, spent some time as a youngster attending school at Coahoma and also attended Howard College.

"I even have an uncle who lives here," Wood said in explaining that there were several reasons for wanting to try his hand at taking the Bulldog

helm. "It's kind of like coming home in a way. On top of that, I'm looking forward to the challenge of my first head coaching job."

Wood said the success enjoyed by other Coahoma athletic programs, coupled with the films he's watched of the Bulldogs' football games from 1998, leave him optimistic as the 1999 season nears.

"From what I've seen on film, these kids play hard," he explained. "What's more, you can see from looking at those games last year that they don't give up. That's something any coach wants to see."

Wood said to expect to see the Bulldogs running a wing-T offense this fall and a defensive scheme that employs an eight-man front.

"I'm a real believer in the wing-T offense," he noted. "It's just a great scheme for high school football. It's not that it's difficult for the other team to

read, however, it's one where they may stop you one, two or three times, but sooner or later you'll break it on them."

"Defensively, we'll be doing a lot of blitzing ... kids always like that," he added. "I think these kids are going to have a lot of fun running our defense."

"To be honest, though, I really excited," Wood added. "I'm looking forward to the season. The kids and some of the coaches on our staff are going to have to get used to a few changes, but nothing drastic. The key is going to be getting everybody on the same page as quickly as possible."

Indeed, Wood and his Bulldogs figure to be facing just as difficult a task facing District 3-2A opponents this season as Coahoma did under Jim Edwards a year ago.

That isn't lost on the new Coahoma coach.

"This is a tremendously tough dis-

trict," he admitted. "Stanton, Post and Seagraves are quality programs and they're going to be difficult to play against every year. All three of them are ranked in the preseason polls."

"The way I look at it, though, it's going to be a lot like coaching at Snyder was last year when we had to play people like Andrews, Big Spring and Sweetwater," Wood continued. "The good thing about playing people like that in district, is that you're usually ready to face the kind of opposition you'll see in the playoffs."

Brandon Hancock has become the third Coahoma athlete to announce that he'll continue his athletic career in college this fall.

Hancock, who was Coahoma's valedictorian, having maintained a perfect 4.0 grade point average throughout his

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CLOSER TO HOME

YMCA slates gymnastics mini-camp for this week

The Big Spring YMCA has scheduled a gymnastics mini-camp for Monday through Friday for girls six years of age and older.

Camp sessions will be from 9 a.m. to noon each day. Registration fees are \$60 for non-members, \$40 for basic program members and \$25 for YMCA members.

A second mini-camp is set for July 26-30. For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Howard County 4-H shoot scheduled for weekend

The Howard County 4-H Skeet, Trap and 5-Stand Shoot has been scheduled for Friday and Saturday at the R.C. Thomas Range in Knott.

Registration will be \$5 per shooter, plus \$5 per round for each shooter.

Shooters in three age divisions will take part in skeet competition on Friday and practice for the 5-stand event.

The following day they will compete in trap and the 5-stand event.

A special \$100 add-on team shoot in 5-stand will also be staged. Entry fees will be \$5 per two-person team, plus \$5 per round per shooter. Parents and coaches may participate in that event.

For more information, contact Van Gaskins at 353-4598 or Kelly Gaskins at 353-4780.

Hunter education course scheduled for Aug. 5-7

A hunter education course has been scheduled for Thursday through Saturday, Aug. 5-7, in Big Spring.

The course is required by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for all hunters born on or after Sept. 2, 1971.

Boyce Hale will be the course instructor, and a fee of \$10 per student is required. For more information, call

Hale at 267-6957.

Tournament, skins game scheduled for July 10-11

The Chicano Golf Association of Big Spring's annual Golf Scholarship Tournament and Skins Game has been scheduled for July 10-11 at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Slated as a two-person scramble, the tournament will be staged Saturday and Sunday. The field will be flighted following Saturday's round. The Skins Game will be Saturday.

Fees for both events are \$85 per person and includes mulligans and a dinner on Saturday. For more information, call 264-2366.

Figure 7 Tennis Center slates doubles clinic

Jeff Bramlett, the national high school tennis coach of the year, will join local professional Jim Blacketer in conducting a Doubles Tennis Clinic on Wednesday and Thursday at the Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park.

Clinic sessions will be from 9 a.m. to noon on both days.

Bramlett, a native of Midland, is the varsity tennis coach at Class 4A powerhouse San Antonio Alamo Heights.

Entries for the clinic will be limited. For more information, contact Blacketer at 264-6834.

Spring City Tournament scheduled for Saturday

The Spring City Softball Tournament has been scheduled for Saturday at Cotton Mize Field.

Slated as a fundraiser for the complex, the tournament is being sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee.

Entry fees for the 20-team tournament will be \$100 per team.

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

ALL-STATE

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Coach of the Year honors. Pickens was 16-2 and struck out 221 batters while posting a 1.24 ERA this season.

In Class 1A, championship-game hero Scott Sanders of Maud was named Player of the Year after a perfect 15-0 season. Collinsville's Robert Steeber was voted Class A Coach of the Year.

Here are the 1999 state high school baseball all-state teams as selected by the Texas Sports Writers Association:

CLASS 5A

Player of the Year - Josh Beckett, Spring, Sr.

Coach of the Year - Rocky Manual, Houston Bellaire.

First Team

Pitchers - Josh Beckett, Spring, Sr., 13-2, 0.39 ERA, 178 KOs; Matt Laird, Houston Bellaire, Sr., 13-0, 0.70 ERA, 99 KOs; Paul Quiroz, Laredo Alexander, Sr., 11-0 (regular season), 0.74 ERA, 96 KOs.

Catcher - Alex Cadena, Laredo Alexander, Sr., 566 BA, 62 RBIs, 22 HRs.

First baseman - Jason Flores, Nikki Rowe, Sr., 644 BA, 45 RS, 10 2Bs, 1 3Bs, 9 HRs, 62 RBIs, 2 SBs, 687 OBA.

Second baseman - Justin Parker, Haringen, Sr., 568 BA, 22 RS, 12 SBs, 643 OBA.

Shortstop - Enrique Cruz, Houston Bellaire, Jr., 524 BA, 47 RS, 17 2Bs, 5 3Bs, 7 HRs, 41 RBIs, 23 SBs, 633 OBA.

Third baseman - Eric Neatherlin, Midland Lee, Sr., 476 BA, 39 RS, 3 2Bs, 1 3B, 5 HRs, 24 RBIs, 11 SBs, 513 OBA.

Outfielders - Kyle Smith, Houston Bellaire, Sr., 457 BA, 43 RS, 6 2Bs, 16 HRs, 56 RBIs, 650 OBA; Boone Dubose, The Woodlands, Sr., 418 BA, 41 RS, 9 2Bs, 1 3B, 9 HRs, 32 RBIs, 14 SBs, 542 OBA; Nathan Nicholson, Marshall, Jr., 534 BA, 37 RS, 7 2Bs, 2 3Bs, 7 HRs, 35 RBIs, 17 SBs.

Designated hitter - Cotey-Joe Cawaykus, Midland, Jr., 582 BA, 34 RS, 10 2Bs, 2 3Bs, 8 HRs, 50 RBIs, 678 OBA.

Second Team

Pitchers - Justin Simmons, Duncanville, Jr.; Derek Brehm, SA East Central, Sr.; Gene Flores, Corpus Christi Moody, Jr.

Catcher - Chris Churchill, Abilene, Sr.

First baseman - Vincent Sinali, The Woodlands, Sr.

Second baseman - Gabe Lucas, Mayde Creek, Jr.

Shortstop - Karol-Jo HendrickOs, Ellison, Sr.

Third baseman - Jon Elia, SA Churchill, Sr.

Outfielders - Laynce Nix, Midland, Jr.; Robert Wade, Humble, Sr.; Steve Willingham, PSA North.

Designated Hitter - Josh Moody, W.T. White, Sr.

Third Team

Pitchers - Bobby Sawicki, Round Rock, Jr.; Bryan Starn, Carrollton Newman-Smith; Shane Wallace, Carrollton Newman-Smith.

Catcher - Jesse Longoria, Lewisville, Sr.

First baseman - Steve Ripper, Houston Bellaire, Jr.

Second baseman - David Teaff, Lufkin, Sr.

Shortstop - Brandon Fahy, Duncanville, Sr.

Third baseman - Kevin Theiss, Klein Oak, Sr.

Outfielders - Drew Rogers, Austin Westlake, Sr.; Daniel Ortmeier, Lewisville, Sr.; Kenneth Sharp, Brazoswood, Sr.

Designated hitter - Kevin Minter, AAM Consolidated, Sr.

CLASS 4A

Player of the Year - Dustin Majewski, Brenham, Sr.

Coach of the Year - Joe Ray Halsey, Andrews.

First Team

Pitchers - Jesse CookOsney, Port Neches-Groves, Sr., 12-1, 0.63 ERA, 75 KOs; Chris Trevino, Andrews, Sr., 10-0, 1.16 ERA, 113 KOs; Josh Girdley, Jasper, Sr., 8-2, 0.34 ERA, 178 KOs.

Catcher - Billy Burrow, Little Cypress-Mauriceville, Sr., 477 BA, 12 HRs, 44 RBIs, 13 2Bs.

First baseman - Thomas Melvin, Belton, Sr., 485 BA, 40 RS, 17 2Bs, 2 3Bs, 11 HRs, 57 RBIs, 2 SBs.

Second baseman - R.P. Stewart, Corsicana, Sr., 577 BA, 23 RS, 23 RBIs, 11 2Bs.

Shortstop - Shaud Williams, Andrews, Sr., 489 BA, 50 RS, 5 2Bs, 5 3Bs, 9 HRs, 24 RBIs, 34 SBs, 592 OBA.

Third baseman - Derek Armstrong, FW Brewer, 462 BA, 37 RS, 11 2Bs, 2 3Bs, 10 HRs, 41 RBIs, 10 SBs, 560 OBA.

Outfielder - Dustin Majewski, Brenham, Sr., 542 BA, 12 HRs, 77 RBIs (state record), 57 RS, 596 OBA; Chris Durbin, Wylie, Sr., 536 BA, 47 RS, 13 2Bs, 16 HRs, 57 RBIs, 9 SBs; Ben King, Grapevine, Sr., 457 BA, 39 RS, 14 2Bs, 3 3Bs, 9 HRs, 38 RBIs, 2 SBs, 587 OBA.

Designated hitter - Shane Menn, CC Callallen, Sr., 457, 38 RBIs.

Second Team

Pitchers - Shane Menn, Corpus Christi Callallen, Sr.; Jesse Floyd, Nederland, Sr.; Brandon Rozovsky, Brenham, Jr.

Catcher - August Lewis, Andrews, Sr.

First baseman - Jason Stokes, Coppell, Jr.

Second baseman - James Garner, Corpus Christi Callallen, Sr.

Shortstop - Tobin Swope, Highland Park, Sr.

Third baseman - Curtis Legendre, Port Neches-Groves, Sr.

Outfielders - Ben Pulliam, Weatherford; Davis Evans, Hays Consolidated, Sr.; Chris MeekOs, Brownwood, Sr.

Designated hitter - Jamie Vallejo, Del Valle, Sr.

Third Team

Pitchers - Chris MeekOs, Brownwood, Sr.; Davis Farren, Texarkana Texas High, Sr.; Brian Finck, Columbia, Jr.

Catcher - Justin Byrd, Waxahachie, Sr.

First baseman - Mark Cooper, Texas City, Sr.

Second baseman - Gerald Bueno, Andrews, Sr.

Shortstop - Danny Muegge, Brenham, Sr.

Third baseman - Thomas Fallon, Corpus Christi Callallen, Sr.

Outfielders - Brian Berry, Magnolia, Sr.; Mike Huggins, Andrews, Sr.; Justin Hatcher, FW Brewer, Sr.

Designated hitter - Trevor Welch, Friendswood, Sr.

CLASS 3A

Player of the Year - J.R. Pickens, Liberty, Sr.

Coach of the Year - Rich Fontenot, West

First Team

Pitchers - J.R. Pickens, Liberty, Sr., 16-2, 1.24 ERA, 221 KOs; Jacob Winters, Longview Spring Hill, Sr., 10-3, 1.33 ERA, 117 KOs; Clay McGuire, Crane, Jr., 8-2, 0.94 ERA, 81 KOs.

Catcher - Lynney Tucker, Lubbock Cooper, Soph., 534 BA, 25 RS, 15 2Bs, 3 3Bs, 7 HRs, 55 RBIs, 672 OBA.

First baseman - Josh Cross, Liberty, Sr., 467, 12 2Bs, 4 HRs, 30 RBIs.

Second baseman - Jeremy Locke, Giddings, Jr., 531 BA, 43 RS, 13 2Bs, 3 3Bs, 3 HRs, 23 RBIs, 11 SBs, 683 OBA.

Shortstop - Ty Warren, Canton, Sr., 471 BA, 29 RS, 14 2Bs, 4 HRs, 36 RBIs, 15 SBs, 589 OBA.

Third baseman - Jared Clements, China Spring, 535 BA, 42 RS, 12 2Bs, 2 3Bs, 14 HRs, 67 RBIs, 6 SBs.

Outfielders - Rick Dyer, Sinton, Sr., 603 BA, 18 RS, 9 2Bs, 3 3Bs, 21 RBIs, 15 SBs, 663 OBA; Dewayne Shavers, Redwater, Sr., 464 BA, 36 RS, 9 2Bs, 14 HRs, 47 RBIs, 4 SBs, 534 OBA; Tanner Holecek, West, Sr., 445, 44 RBIs, 13 HRs, 4 grand slams.

Designated hitter - Morgan Carter, Pearsall, 514 BA, 25 RS, 10 2Bs, 5 3Bs, 6 HRs, 35 RBIs, 18 SBs.

Second Team

Pitchers - Juan Obregon, LaVernia, Jr.; Brad Ferguson, West, Jr.; Justin Mettrvin, Llano, Jr.

Catchers - Michael Simpson, Canton, Sr.

First baseman - Eric Clark, Seminole, Sr.

Second baseman - Marcus Schulz, Sanger, Sr.

Shortstop - Mark Villava, Seminole, Jr.

Third baseman - Trey Cortez, Clifton, Sr.

Outfielders - Herman Wright, Odom, Sr.; Aaron Peel, Seminole, Jr.; Gabriel Pulido, Fallurris, Sr.

Designated hitter - Trey Cortez, Clifton, Sr.

Third Team

Pitchers - Andy Chavaler, Hallettsville, Sr.; Robert Croft, West, Jr.; Billy Dennis, Devine, Sr.

Catcher - Jeremy Helms, Yoakum, Jr.

First baseman - Anthony Vela, Aransas Pass, Sr.

Second baseman - Matt Winters, Spring Hill, Jr.

Third baseman - Ryan Hamilton, Linden-Kildar, Sr.

Outfielders - Bryan Gonzalez, Hebronville, Jr.; and Joseph Massey, Canton, Sr.

Outfielders - Donald Hays, Aledo, Sr.; Chris Lifton, Huntington, Soph.; Ronnie Norsworthy, Daingerfield, Sr.

Designated hitter - Nathan Brewer, Yoakum, Sr.

CLASS 2A

Player of the Year - Brandon Shaw, Cooper, Sr.

Coach of the Year - Rodney Rainey, Cooper

First Team

Pitchers - Kyle Parcus, Rosebud-Lott, Jr., 13-2, 1.11 ERA, 2 S, 178 KOs; Brandon Shaw, Cooper, Sr., 16-1; Robby Madsen, Hutto, Jr., 11-1, 1.06 KOs, 0.61 ERA.

Catcher - Jay Miller, New Deal, Sr., 549 BA, 29 RS, 10 2Bs, 3 3Bs, 1 HR, 26 RBIs, 17 SBs, 667 OBA.

First baseman - Chad Stanley, Hamilton, Sr., 478 BA, 16 RS, 13 2Bs, 2 3Bs, 6 HRs, 29 RBIs, 6 SBs, 600 OBA.

Second baseman - David Palmer, Salado, Jr., 481 BA, 29 RS, 7 2Bs, 1 3B, 6 HRs, 31 RBIs, 12 SBs, 625 OBA.

Shortstop - Daniel Anderson, Franklin, Sr., 551 BA, 26 SBs, 6 HRs, 28 RBIs.

Third baseman - Bubba Courtney, Beckville, Soph., 488, 9 HRs, 41 RBIs, 10 2Bs.

Outfielders - Rodric Deon Douglas, Colmesneil, Jr., 506 BA, 53 RS, 8 2Bs, 9 3Bs, 8 HRs, 35 RBIs, 21 SBs, 813 OBA; Toby Conner, Bangs, Soph., 600 BA, 33 RS, 7 2Bs, 1 3B, 10 HRs, 46 RBIs, 16 SBs; Josh Luig, Holliday, Sr., 615 BA, 28 RS, 13 2Bs, 4 HRs, 27 RBIs, 9 SBs.

Designated hitter - Rusty Putman, Blooming Grove, Sr., 500 BA, 45 RBIs, 4 HRs, 6 3Bs, 13 2Bs, 2 grand slams.

Second Team

Pitchers - Delvin White, Coshoma, Jr.; Joey Morgan, Valley Mills, Sr.; Matthew Adams, Warren, Sr.

Catcher - Lance Hardin, DeLeon.

First baseman - Davy Rigby, Hutto, Sr.

Second baseman - Justin Pharris, Jim Ned.

Shortstop - Josh Hill, Hubbard, Sr.

Third baseman - Cody Willis, Deweyville, Sr.

Outfielders - John Joiner, Gunter, Jr.; Jason Reyes, Stamford, Sr.; Steven Walters, Hutto, Sr.

Designated hitter - Mike Turek, Shiner, Sr.

Third Team

Pitchers - Bobby Schuman, DeLeon; Ernest Herrera, Hamlin, Jr.; Ricky LaPrade, Grand Saline, Soph.

Catcher - Bobby Ware, Elysian Fields, Sr.

First baseman - Michael McGee, Leon, Sr.

Second baseman - Ryan Priem, Lexington, Jr.

Shortstop - Robert Mentoya, New Deal, Sr.

Third baseman - J.J. Guzman, Stamford, Sr.

Outfielders - Kent Harris, Beckville, Jr.; Kyle Parcus, Rosebud-Lott, Jr.; Robert Tapley, Winona, Sr.

Designated hitter - Jason Vardeman, Holliday, Jr.

CLASS A

Player of the Year - Scott Sanders, Maud, Sr.

Coach of the Year - Robert Steeber, Collinsville

First Team

Pitchers - Scott Sanders, Maud, Sr., 15-0, 0.89 ERA, 185 KOs; Jake Melton, Collinsville, Sr., 15-1, 0.90 ERA, 1 S, 150 KOs; Josh Vittek, Fayetteville, Sr., Led team to state tourney.

Catcher - Jesse Pierce, Strawn, Jr., 603 BA, 24 RS, 6 2Bs, 2 HRs, 21 RBIs, 18 SBs, 675 OBA.

First baseman - Aaron Large, Knox City, Sr., 619 BA, 4 HRs, 11 RBIs.

Second baseman - Scott Lilley, Big Sandy, Sr., 481 BA, 21 RS, 7 2Bs, 3 3Bs, 3 HRs, 23 RBIs, 18 SBs, 569 OBA.

Shortstop - Billy Bouse, High Island, Sr., 591 BA, 49 RS, 10 2Bs, 4 3Bs, 2 HRs, 37 RBIs, 39 SBs, 645 OBA.

Third baseman - Brian Dunlap, Axtell, Sr., 620 BA, 22 RS, 8 2Bs, 4 3Bs, 1 HR, 27 RBIs, 22 2Bs, 700 OBA.

Outfielders - Ethan McDonald, Martin's Mill, Jr., 705 BA, 29 RS, 14 2Bs, 5 3Bs, 2 HRs, 25 RBIs, 26 SBs, 824 OBA; Chris Ardit, Jarrell, Sr., 512 BA, 35 RBIs, 11 HRs, 13 2Bs, 25 RS; Jose Martinez, Ranger, Sr., 645 BA, 51 HRs, 12 2Bs, 1 3B, 2 HRs, 18 SBs, 38 RS, 28 RBIs.

Designated hitter - J.R. Crawford, Campbell, Sr., 600 BA, 20 RS, 5 2Bs, 4 3Bs, 19 RBIs, 22 SBs, 15 SBs, 890 OBA.

Second Team

Pitchers - Brad Harrison, Axtell, Sr.; J.R. Crawford, Campbell, Sr.; Cody Hanna, Mildred, Sr.

Catcher - Chris Wright, Bosqueville, Jr.

First baseman - Eric Steed, Detroit, Soph.

Second baseman - Gabe Davis, Collinsville, Jr.

Shortstop - Brad Harrison, Axtell, Sr.

Third baseman - Ramon Fuentes, Bartlett, Jr.

Outfielders - Brian Durden, Collinsville, Sr.; Shane Hawkins, Axtell, Sr.; Clint Creel, Mt. Enterprise, Sr.

Designated hitter - Ryan Johnston, Sam Rayburn Vanhook, Sr.

Third Team

Pitchers - Zeb Land, Cotton Center, Sr.; Mike Walker, Bartlett, Jr.; Eric Steed, Detroit, Soph.

Catcher - Ryan Johnston, Sam Rayburn Vanhook, Sr.

First baseman - Jonathan Dooley, Axtell, Jr.

Second baseman - Jeffrey Franklin, Jarrell, Sr.

Shortstop - Kirby Dawson, Bartlett, Sr.

Third baseman - Jacob Standley, Chester, Jr.

Outfielders - Jon West, Flatonia, Soph.; Cody Hanna, Mildred, Sr.; Jeremy White, Axtell, Sr.

Designated hitter - William Perry, Mildred, Sr.

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court, losing the first 11 points of the match.

Down 2-0 and 0-40, Stevenson made a brief rally, winning five straight points to hold for 2-1. But Davenport then ran off four straight games to take the set in 21 minutes as Stevenson served two straight double faults and sailed a forehand way long on the last three points.

The pattern continued in the second set as Stevenson won only one more game, holding serve for 3-1.

Davenport, who saved seven break points during the match, served out the match at love. When Stevenson made another unforced error on the first match point, Davenport clenched her first and let out a high-pitched scream of delight.

Stevenson, who had curtseyed theatrically after Friday's quarterfinal win over Jelena Dokic, waved goodbye to the fans and trudged off solemnly.

"She just didn't have the serve, she didn't have her gun," her mother Samantha said. "Her shoulder was sore after playing so many matches, but we didn't want to say anything. We wanted to keep it quiet."

Alexandra Stevenson said her shoulder felt "OK."

"My serve wasn't my serve today," she said. "It's not going to happen again. Lindsay played very well. She just showed she's No. 1. I didn't feel nervous out there. I was rush-

ing everything." Davenport, who hadn't advanced past the quarterfinals here until this year, reached her second career Grand Slam final. She won the U.S. Open title last year.

"To get to the Wimbledon final, it just means to much to me, especially after being relatively overlooked, and doing it on a surface I used to hate," she said. "Playing in the final on the Fourth of July is also special."

Davenport said regaining the No. 1 ranking from Martina Hingis, who lost here in the first round, was secondary.

"To get it back after being far down again is great, but getting to the Wimbledon final far outshines it," she said.

Davenport had some sharp words for Stevenson's mother, who has stirred controversy with her allegations of racism and lesbianism on the women's tour and a dispute over prize money.

"The mother said a lot of things," Davenport said. "I'm not sure if she's doing it for attention

SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

**ANHEIM ANGELS**—Placed RHP Ken Hill on the disabled list, retroactive to July 1. Recalled LHP Jarrod Washburn for Edmonton of the Pacific Coast League.

**BALTIMORE ORIOLES**—Signed RHP Jim Coral to a minor league contract. Placed RHP Ricky Bones on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled RHP Gabe Molina from Rochester of the International League.

**NEW YORK YANKEES**—Claimed RHP Jeff Mantz off waivers from Cleveland and added him to their 40-man roster.

**OAKLAND ATHLETICS**—Placed RHP T.J. Mathews on the 15-day disabled list. Recalled OF Jason McDonald from Vancouver of the Pacific Coast League.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**—Suspended umpire Tom Hallion for three games without pay for his actions during an argument with Colorado C Jeff Reed and pitching coach Matt May on June 26.

**HOUSTON ASTROS**—Agreed to terms with C Jay Perez on a minor league contract.

**PHILADELPHIA**—Purchased the contract of RHP Steve Schrock from Scranton-Wilkes-Barre of the International League. Optioned RHP Mike Grace to Scranton. Placed LHP Yorkis Perez on the 15-day disabled list. Called up RHP Joe Grahe and RHP Steve Schrock from Scranton.

Transferred INF Desi Relaford from the 15 to the 60-day disabled list. Named Dr. Michael G. Cicotti team doctor. Dr. Phillip Marone, assistant director, and Dr. John McShane, assistant director.

**ST. LOUIS CARDINALS**—Optioned LHP Mike Morner to Memphis of the Pacific Coast League. Recalled RHP Mike Busby from Memphis.

**SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE**—Activated RHP Roger Blanco from the disabled list. Placed RHP Cory Simpson on the disabled list.

**WESTERN BASEBALL LEAGUE**—Released RHP Brian Wisler. Placed RHP Levi Lacey on the disabled list. Agreed to terms with RHP Travis Thurmond.

**SOMMA COUNTY CRUSHERS**—Released OF Jeff Hebert. Signed C Marcel Longmire.

**BASKETBALL**—International Basketball Association

**ROCHESTER SKIETEES**—Announced the resignation of Bill Hucass, coach.

**WOMEN'S NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION**—Charlotte Sting—Traded C Rhonda Mapp to Houston for C Kara Wolters.

**FOOTBALL**—National Football League

**GREEN BAY PACKERS**—Claimed FB Matt Snider off waivers from Carolina and DB Tod McBird off waivers from Seattle.

**CANADIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE**—MONTREAL ALOUETTES—Released S Pierre Landry, WR Ted Alford, WR Mercury Hayes, WR Corey Joyner, WR Thomas and DT Corbin Spain.

**INDOOR PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE**—IFL—Announced Shreveport, La., has been selected as its newest expansion city.

**HOCKEY**—National Hockey League

**COLUMBIUS BLUE JACKETS**—Named Heli Larsson, Paul Cunniff, Sam McMaster, Milan Tichy and Telespin Artem Nikolaevich amateur scouts.

**ST. LOUIS BLUES**—Agreed to terms with G Craig Conroy on a two-year contract.

**EAST COAST HOCKEY LEAGUE**—CHARLOTTE CHECKERS—Acquired the rights to C Anthony Terzo from Toledo.

**UNITED HOCKEY LEAGUE**—SHEVILEE SHARKS—Re-signed C Steve Lynch.

LOCAL BOWLING

STARGATE LEAGUE

**JUNE 18**—RESULTS—Looney Tunes over Team twelve 21-4. We're Dirt over Monstat 3 17-8. BFE over 3-16 22-5-5. Team ten over Team four 10-4. Team six over Quality Glass and Mirror 15-10. Three Stoggles over Bottle Rockets 17-8. hi hdp game Mike Hoff 257. hi sc game Neal Anderson and Doug Cunningham 237. hi hdp series Mike Hoff 914. hi sc series Philip Ringener 866.

**STANDINGS**—FB 77-23. Team Ten 75-25. Team four 68-32. Three Stoggles 57-43. Team six 52-48. Looney Tunes 50-50. Quality Glass and Mirror 47-53. We're Dirt 47-53. Bottle Rockets 42-54. Monstat 3 34-55-5. 3-16 30-59-5. Team Twelve 16-84.

SUMMER TRIO

**RESULTS**—Wranglers over Team one 8-0. Team 4 over Bowl-A-Rama 8-0. 3's tied Team eight 4-4. Team 5 over Why Not? 6-2. hi sc team series Team 1057. 3's 1847. Bowl-A-Rama 1484. hi sc team game Team 4 589. 3's 587. Bowl-A-Rama 521. hi sc series men O.D. Daniel 714. Jerald Burgess 599. Jim Hipp 557. hi sc game men O.D. Daniel 276. Jerald Burgess 227. Jim Hipp 200. hi sc series women Jan Graham 503. Janie Ringener 71. Fern Lewis 452. hi sc game women Jan Graham 183. Rosaleen Hector 179. Janie Ringener 170. hi hdp team series Team 4 1822. Bowl-A-Rama 1763. 3's 1755. hi hdp team game Team 4 644. 3's 623. Bowl-A-Rama 614. hi hdp series men O.D. Daniel 747. Jan Graham 590. Jerald Burgess 620. hi hdp game men O.D. Daniel 287. Jerald Burgess 234. Ray Buck 217. hi hdp series women Janie Ringener 627. Jan Graham 590. Sheila Armstrong 590. hi hdp game women Rosaleen Hector 225. Janie Ringener 222. Jan Graham 212.

**STANDINGS**—Wranglers 30-10. Team 4 26-14. 3's 24-16. Team 5 24-16. Bowl-A-Rama 18-22. Why Not? 17-23. Team One 15-25. Team Eight 4-4.

SUMMER PIN POPPERS

**WEEK 7**—RESULTS—A&B Farms over Idats 7-1. Go-Go Girls over Unthinkables 6-2.

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

American League

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HS ALL-STARS

Here are rosters for the Southwestern Bell/Texas High School Coaches Association basketball all-star game, scheduled July 26 in Fort Worth:

**North (home team)**—Charles Tatum, g. 5-9, 24 ppg. Midland; Roosevelt Brown, g. 6-3, 16 ppg. Duncannon; DeMarlo Hooper, f. 6-3, 20 ppg. Texarkana (Texas H.S.); George Shrubbs, g. 5-11, 21 ppg. Wellington; Charlie Davis, f. 6-1, 20 ppg. Grand Prairie; Brigo Merrez, f. 6-8, 31 ppg. Wichita Falls; Houston Marquis, f. 6-2, 22 ppg. Hum; Marcus Bobb, w. 6-4, 24 ppg. Ponder; Steven Edwards, c. 6-6, 14 ppg. Clarksville; Chris Ogden, c. 6-7, 15 ppg. Seminole; Richard Swarovsky, c. 6-6, 20 ppg. Gorman; Josh Falkner, c. 6-8, 17 ppg. Amarillo.

**Head coach:** John Curry, Assistant: Mitchell Woodard, Wade Gilliam.

**South (visiting team)**—Sedrick Keyes, p. 6-4, 24 ppg. Brookshire Royal; Marcus Simmons, g. 5-10, 21 ppg. Hubbard; B.J. Pratt, g. 6-3, 20 ppg. Converse; Brandon Duffney, g. 6-4, 31 ppg. Kennard; Marcus Campbell, g. 5-11, 12-7 ppg. Dallas; Detroit, f. 6-8, 19 ppg. Sugar Land; Lido.

**Head coach:** Kevin Hamilton, Assistant: Mike Houthan, Craig Kirby.

AL LEADERS

**BATTING**—Trenandez, Toronto, .387; Jeter, New York, .377; R. Ibanez, Toronto, .362; Garciaparra, Boston, .361; DeWilliams, New York, .341; Ramirez, Cleveland, .338; Viquez, Cleveland, .338.

**RBI**—M Ramirez, Cleveland, 84; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 74; Ju Gonzalez, Texas, 71; R. Ibanez, Toronto, 70; C. Delgado, Toronto, 65; S. Green, Toronto, 64; Canseco, Tampa Bay, 64.

**HOME RUNS**—Canseco, Tampa Bay, 28; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 27; Ju Gonzalez, Texas, 23; S. Green, Toronto, 21; Palmieri, Detroit, 21; M Ramirez, Cleveland, 20; R. Ibanez, Texas, 20.

**PITCHING** (10 Decisions)—P. Martinez, Boston, 14-2, 875, 2.08; St. Louis, 12-5, 800, 3.69; Smolcz, Atlanta, 8-2, 800, 3.03; Hampton, Houston, 10-3, 769, 3.04.

NL LEADERS

**BATTING**—L. Walker, Colorado, .381; Casper, Cincinnati, .376; Team, Arizona, .362; H. Rodriguez, Chicago, .349; Kendall, Pittsburgh, .338; Cedeno, New York, .333; Abreu, Philadelphia, .327.

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MOSELEY

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high school career, has signed a letter of intent to play baseball at Southern Nazarene University in Bethany, Okla., this fall.

The third baseman on the Bulldogs' squad that advanced to the state semifinals for a third straight season in 1999, Hancock finished the campaign with a .328 average and drove in 25 runs.

Not surprisingly, Hancock will also be receiving academic scholarships from Southern Nazarene. In addition, he recently received the 1999 U.S.

Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete Award.

It looks as if Western Texas College's plans to soon add men's baseball and women's softball to its list of entries in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference, may soon be on an indefinite hold.

As a matter of fact, following a budget workshop conducted by the college's board of trustees last week, it looks as if the WTC Lady Dusters women's basketball and Westerners men's golf programs could take a funding hit this fall.

Faced with a shortfall of almost \$250,000 it needs for priority items in its budget, college administrators have presented trustees with two difficult options — raising the district's tax rate to its maximum or phasing out the existing women's hoops and men's golf programs.

While WTC trustees have not yet made their decision, it seems clear that there will be little chance of the school adding new athletic programs in the near future.

John A. Moseley is sports editor of the Herald.

WORLD CUP

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confidence we can win."

While the 1994 Fourth of July extravaganza was a mere blip on the soccer screen for Brazil, it showed just how worked up Americans can get about what millions still consider "a foreign sport." Organizers are hopeful for another sellout at Stanford, and believe a crowd of 30,000 is possible for the other

semifinal

# Armstrong winner of Tour de France time trial prologue

PUY-DU-FOU, France (AP) — Lance Armstrong, the two-time Olympic cyclist who has overcome testicular cancer, returned in top form Saturday, winning the prologue of the Tour de France.

Riding for the U.S. Postal Service team, Armstrong won the 43/4-mile time trial in 8 minutes, 25 seconds, seven seconds ahead of runner-up, Alex Zulle of Banesto. Third, 11 seconds behind the winner, was Abraham Olano of the Spanish team ONCE.

Armstrong's success came as the race struggled to emerge from under the shadow of the drug scandal that rocked last year's race.

"This feeling is incredible," Armstrong said. "With my problems, my history, it is incredible."

"The Tour de France is the greatest race in the world."

Armstrong, 28, of Austin, Texas, won the 1993 world championship and competed for the U.S. Olympic team in 1992 and 1996.

On Oct. 2, 1996, he was diagnosed with testicular cancer that had spread to his lungs and brain. He underwent surgery to remove his right testicle and brain lesions.

After 15 months of rehabilitation and recovery, Armstrong returned to racing in February 1998.

Armstrong won stages of the Tour in 1993 and 1995, but has struggled through its mountainous middle stages.

The drug scandal that enveloped last year's race was still a topic of conversation among fans Saturday. Many said this year's race could make or break the sport.

"Doping is just like nuclear weapons," said Queffelec

Christian, a French fan.

"Bring it all down to zero."

"This Tour is the opportunity to get rid of all the problems."

British fan Martin Burrill, a vacationer from Manchester, said he understood the temptation.

"It is their choice ... but maybe it isn't," he said. "You're a young lad, maybe it's your first contract. The manager says, 'Take this. What are you going to do?'"

French cycling star Richard Virenque remains under investigation on drug charges. He competed Saturday.

On Wednesday, the Tour reluctantly bowed to pressure from cycling's governing body and readmitted the controversial rider, whom it had earlier barred because "his presence would be incompatible with the image of the Tour."

The International Cycling Union, citing a technical error, ordered organizers to rescind the ban. Race director Jean-Marie Leblanc called the order a "takeover by force."

Many top riders are missing this year. The two previous winners, Jan Ullrich of Germany and Bjarne Riis of Denmark, are injured.

With the field wide open, Virenque, a top climber in good form, and Armstrong appear to be the favorites.

Another top contender is last year's surprising third-place finisher, American Bobby Julich of Cofidis.

The 20-stage race will be about 124 miles shorter than last year, and less grueling; it will include an extra rest day.

The 2,286-mile race will end with its traditional ride up and down the Champs-Elysees July 25.

# Torre says All-Star decision up to Gonzalez

FORT WORTH (AP) — New York Yankees manager Joe Torre says whether or not Juan Gonzalez plays in the All-Star game is up to him.

Torre, who as the American League All-Star manager will pick the reserves and pitchers next week, said Thursday he plans to select Gonzalez for the July 13 game in Boston.

"I'm going to pick him, and I'll let him make the decision," Torre said before the Yankees' game against the Detroit Tigers.

Gonzalez, the AL's Most Valuable Player in 1996 and 1998, earlier this week said he would not go to the All-Star Game as a reserve. Gonzalez is upset at the fan-voting process for starters, especially since AL balloting is being dominated by fans in Cleveland.

He is batting .318 with 23 homers and 71 runs batted in.

But Gonzalez is a distant fifth among AL outfielders. Seattle's

# White Sox pound Boston, 11-2

CHICAGO (AP) — Rookie Carlos Lee drove in four runs to support Mike Sirota and power the Chicago White Sox over Boston 11-2 Saturday, sending the Red Sox to their third loss in four games.

Lee hit a pair of two-run doubles for the White Sox. Magglio Ordonez had three RBIs, and Frank Thomas and Craig

Wilson drove in two runs each. Sirota (7-8) won, allowing eight hits in eight innings.

Brian Rose (4-1) lost, allowing nine runs and 12 hits in four innings.

With two on and no outs in the first, Thomas hit an RBI double off the center-field wall. Ordonez followed with a run-scoring fielder's choice.

Ken Griffey Jr. led all AL outfielders in the latest voting update with 1,752,313 votes, followed by three from Cleveland: Manny Ramirez (1,095,174), Kenny Lofton (965,148) and David Justice (753,667). Gonzalez has 493,038 votes.

The slugging right-fielder also is upset that Torre overlooked him when picking the AL reserves in 1997.

Rangers general manager

Doug Melvin said he might talk to Gonzalez about his decision.

"I'll wait and see if Joe is really going to do that," Melvin said. "Then I'll talk to Juan and see what his thoughts are because when you do go to an All-Star Game, you're not only representing yourself but the organization as well."

Melvin said there are flaws in the selection system. Every franchise gets an equal number

of home dates for All-Star voting, but the Rangers had only eight home games in June. Melvin said that hurt.

"When you have home games in April and May, the kids are in school," Melvin said. "Your premium attendance is in June and July."

Torre also said Rangers setup reliever Jeff Zimmermann was mentioned "prominently" in the nomination process among AL managers.

Each manager is asked to nominate 10 pitchers, and Rangers manager Johnny Oates said he has nominated Zimmermann and closer John Wetteland.

Zimmermann is 7-0 with a 0.96 earned-run average, and opponents are hitting .105 off him.

The American League starting lineup, as voted by the fans, will be announced Monday. The reserves and pitching staff will be announced Wednesday.

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# National League suspends umpire for three games after bumping into player

NEW YORK (AP) — For the first time in memory, a league president suspended an umpire for bumping a player, not the other way around.

Tom Hallion was given three days off without pay Friday by NL president Len Coleman for his actions last weekend during an argument with Colorado catcher Jeff Reed and pitching coach Milt May.

Baseball officials couldn't recall another suspension of an umpire for an on-field dispute, but they didn't have enough time for enough research to rule it out. Umpires union head Richie Phillips said it had not happened in his 21 years as general counsel.

"If a player takes a mace out, they get two games and it gets cut to one," Phillips said. "And that's with pay."

In 1990, NL president Bill White was prepared to suspend umpire Joe West for slamming Philadelphia pitcher Dennis Cook to the field, but commissioner Fay Vincent intervened and no discipline was imposed.

The dispute last Saturday began when Rockies pitcher Mike DeJean, while walking to his dugout after an inning, complained to third base umpire Terry Tata about a check-swing call. Hallion, working at home plate during the game in San Diego, told DeJean to get in the dugout.

DeJean said he told Hallion he was going to the dugout. At that point, DeJean and manager Jim Leyland were ejected.

During the ensuing argument, it appeared Hallion made contact with Reed and May, a charge Tata denied after the game on Hallion's behalf.

No Rockies were penalized. Hallion, in his 14th NL season, stands to lose about \$2,500 of his salary, which is \$140,000 according to the salary scale in the umpires' labor agreement. The suspension is scheduled to start July 9.

Hallion, ranked 14th among the 36 NL umpires in a players association survey, declined comment Friday as he walked into the ballpark at Cincinnati before a game between the Astros and the Reds. He had no controversial calls at third base in Houston's 7-5 win.

Reed, meanwhile, was released after Colorado lost to San Diego 15-3 Friday night.

"Tom did nothing on the field that day which would warrant the imposition of a sanction of any kind," Phillips said. "If any discipline was warranted, it should have been levied against the pitcher, catcher and manager who incited the situation, physically and verbally threatened the umpire and flaunted the umpire's authority."

DeJean took a conciliatory approach before Friday night's game between Colorado and San Diego at Coors Field.

"It wasn't just Tom Hallion and Terry Tata. We were all to blame," DeJean said. "My beef wasn't with Tom Hallion. I don't have a problem with him now and I didn't then."

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Big Spring Herald

Sunday, July 4, 1999

# Bonkers for Beanies

They have waited hours in line for the chance to buy them. They comb the Internet, catalogs and stake out stores for specific types.

Once home, they treat their hard-won prizes with loving care, storing them away or displaying them with pride.

And most of these collectors can't really explain why they love Beanie Babies so much. The popular toys took off several summers ago, as a convenient size toy for kids to keep in a pocket or backpack. But Beanies didn't stay there. They became a craze with adults, who collected them with a vengeance.

By many accounts, their popularity was never expected to last beyond the first year — these fads rarely do. But local collectors who have put two or nearly three years into their hobby say they still wouldn't trade, or in some cases, even sell the toys at any price.

"It's something the two of us can do together," said Colleen Barton, who collects with her daughter. But she also admits, "the two of us have kind of gone nuts."

And they aren't alone. Another mother-daughter team with a slew of the tiny stuffed animals is Linda and Kelsey Battle. They own 171. Many have been given to Kelsey for Christmas, birthdays and as a reward for good grades. But mother and daughter also enjoy seeking out and buying the hard-to-find Beanies.

"Some people race cars, some fish or play bingo," said Linda. "We do Beanies."

The cute creatures are on display in a hutch in Kelsey's room, when they are not stored in large plastic boxes to protect them. They are always treated with care, lest they lose some of their value.

Collectors have various sources to determine the value of their Beanies. The Internet has dozens of sites that quote the rapidly-changing prices that might be paid for the rare, old and hard-to-find.

Now and then, the Ty company will "retire" a Beanie, and its value usually shoots up. New ones are also released regularly.

Most local collectors said the search is a big part of the fun. "A bunch of us will take turns calling stores to see when their shipment comes in," said Roxanne Wilson, a collector for 2-1/2 years. She estimates her total at "a couple of hundred."

Wilson's obsession has spread to her friends, co-workers and even her father, who now buys them and gets them as gifts. Wilson said she is really keeping the toys for her grandchildren.

"But I enjoy it," she admits. "It's really the quest. The harder one is to find, the more fun it is to find."

"When you finally find one, you get that adrenaline rush," Barton said.

Joy Horn enjoys her Beanie Babies so much, she keeps them near her desk at work, at Specs & Company.

"It's a conversation piece," she said. Horn found a wooden case at the store that had been used for contact lenses, and her Beanies fit perfectly. Now they have become a colorful part of the store's decor.

Horn's collection intrigued her oldest daughter, who soon joined the craze. Now Horn's children are even talking about who will get the collection in their mother's will.

Although admittedly, there are plenty of tales of fortunes made and lost in the Beanie Baby market, most local collectors said they are in it for fun, not funds.



At left, Joy Horn shows off her favorite Beanie Baby, Batty, along with her collection that is displayed near her desk at Specs & Company. Above, Kelly Warrington poses with her collection of close to 200 of the toys, a project she and her mother enjoy working on together.

"I'm in it because I like them," said Horn. Both Linda Battle and Wilson said they might sell their collections some day.

"But I've passed up opportunities that would have made me money," said Wilson. "I guess I want to keep them."

At the Heritage Museum one of at least a dozen local places that sells Beanies, the stuffed animals have caused a fury — a welcome fury.

Gift shop revenues have skyrocketed since the museum added Beanies to its collection of books, educational toys and other collectibles, said curator Angie Way.

"I'd say we get 10 calls a day just about them," she said. And sometimes, the callers are more informed than anyone would expect.

"They seem to know when we are getting a shipment in, and we've had people admit that they follow UPS around," she said. The museum sells all its Beanie Babies for \$6.95, and will sometimes offer the second one for \$3.50.

But they do limit buyers.

"We have to," Way explained. "If they hear one is going to retire, they'd buy us out in minutes."

Although they agree on many things (the bears are the cutest) and disagree on others (how much is too much to spend on one), local collectors have much in common. They enjoy the

chase, especially the chase after something so gosh-darn cute.

"When you're not having a good day, and you get some Beanies delivered, you're having a good day all of a sudden," said Kelsey Battle.

But local collectors, for the most part, could not put a finger on just why they love the tiny bears, turtles, bats, dogs, dinosaurs and menagerie of creatures that make up a Beanie collection. With names like Batty, Chocolate, Bubbles, Strut, Garcia and Halo, they seem to have a unique attraction.

Joy Horn, who works every day under the watchful eyes of nearly 100 of them, tried to explain what makes them so popular — and finally gave up.

"I haven't figured out," she said, "what makes grown women go bonkers over little stuffed animals."



At left, Kelsey Battle holds some of her collection of Beanie Babies. She and her mother, Linda, have accumulated 171 of the toys. Above, Schweetheart, a Beanie monkey, guards the counter at Specs & Company, where owner Joy Horn works. Above, right, Roxanne Wilson with some of her patriotic Beanie bears.

Photos and story by Debbie L. Jensen

## By experiencing their culture, we grew to appreciate our friends

Recently I introduced you to the Novaks, our Yugoslavian friends from Gallup, N.M. Over a period of years we became good friends of their daughter, Olga, and son-in-law Gene Baird.

Almost all residents of Gallup will have heard of him: He worked hard to promote and expand the famous Gallup Indian Ceremonial.

Until we met Olga and her husband Gene, the Oneida Indian, I associated Oneida with silverware, not people. They were a handsome couple, tall, slender and olive-skinned. Their teenaged girls, Leigh and Bobbie, were also tall and slender, with an Oriental look.

When we met the family, they owned the Nash Agency, but

most of their married life had been spent operating trading posts on the Navajo reservation.

We visited each post they had operated hoping, I suppose, to understand them better. We had been married a couple of years, and though Adrian had fought in the second World War, we had not ventured far from Oklahoma; this was new and exciting.

Gene had grown up at the Indian School at Chin Lee, close to the site of Kit Carson's massacre of Navajos at Canyon Del Muerto (Canyon of Death). On our first camping trip, he sent us there.

Wild dogs circled our camp; their eyes glowing in the firelight. Adrian slept with a .22

rifle in his cot; I was sure he was going to shoot off his foot.

As the sun began to rise, we heard an eerie sound, like a high pitched voice, not yelling, almost like a song. The hair on the back of my neck stood at attention, and I got up, even though we had a dry camp, no coffee.

Canyon de Chelly is a national park, so we went to the Ranger station; washed up and told the ranger what had hap-

pened. After he stopped laughing, he said the dogs were just scavenging and wouldn't hurt us, the other sounds were an Indian grandfather teaching his grandson to "sing," greeting a beautiful day. Well, it was our first camping trip.

Later, as Olga and I were sitting on their bedroom floor, she pulled fishing tackle boxes from under the bed, and I began a lifelong love affair with Indian jewelry. It seems that real New Mexicans kept their jewelry in these boxes, and as she spilled the contents on the Navajo rug, all I could do was say "Ahhhh" followed by "Ohhhh!"

These boxes represented most of their "pawn" items Indians left to secure money they

received as a loan. If they didn't redeem it after a certain time, it became the property of the trader. Even if she could sell some, we probably couldn't afford it.

Surprisingly, there were one or two pieces we were able to afford, and our Indian collection was born. They offered to teach us about the jewelry rugs and baskets. It seems Adrian was a better student than I, especially with baskets.

After teaching me something about rugs, Gene sent me to buy. I made a few small purchases, and headed back to Gallup. Gene was pacing up and down, he looked at what I brought home, made a few terse comments, and announced I had "promise."

Our friends taught us how to gather pinon nuts, eat our first burrito, imported from Arizona, tell a Ute from a Hopi Indian, and view a trader's treasure vault. There was so much beautiful jewelry spilling out of drawers, we felt a little like Ali Baba. We also listened to jazz piano at an after hours club, the piano player never missed a beat, cigarette drooping from her mouth. Gawked at the movie stars at the local hotel, there were lots of them, filming westerns.

They were good friends, sharing and teaching. Every time I see a beautiful piece of Indian jewelry, test a rug, watch Adrian judge a basket or piece of pottery, I know they are still with us.



MARY RANDLE

JULY 4 1999

# WEDDINGS

## Crippen-Atkinson

Angela Crippen and Greg Atkinson, both of Austin, exchanged wedding vows on June 5, 1999, at the Coahoma First Baptist Church with Rev. Elwin Colloom officiating.

She is the daughter of Sarah Crippen of San Angelo, and John Crippen of Mineral Wells.

He is the son of Roger and Mary Ellen Atkinson of Big Spring, and the grandson of V.J. and Verlene Atkinson and Alice Hedges.

Instrumentalist was Velma Ruthe Wood.

Given in marriage by her mother, the bride wore a white satin off-the-shoulder gown with lace and pearls. Buttons went all the way down the back with a large bow at the end.

She carried a bouquet of maroon roses accented with white.

Maid of honor was Angie Kenyon.

Bridesmaids were Lisa Holder, sister of the bride, and Ginger Atkinson, sister of the groom.

Daniel Garcia served as best man.

Serving as groomsmen were Scott Elliott and Nandu Patel.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall.

The wedding cake was a



MR. AND MRS. GREG ATKINSON

three tiered cake in the shape of hearts with roses going down the sides of each tier.

The groom's cake was a Texas A&M cheesecake.

The bride is a graduate of Coahoma High School and a 1998 graduate of Southwestern University. She is employed by the Leander ISD.

The groom is a graduate of Coahoma High School and a 1998 graduate of Texas A&M University. He is employed by Motorola.

Following a wedding trip to New York and Montreal, Canada, the couple have made their home in Austin.

# Remember, the soldier gave us freedom

By IVA JO HANSLIK

VA Medical Center Independence Day! There is a certain ring of security in those two words.

Independence Day — far too many of us see it only as a holiday for fireworks, beach parties, backyard barbecues, family get-togethers, and a long summer weekend.

It is all of that, and much more. This date, this moment in our nation's short history, might well be marked as one of the great watersheds of the millennium now drawing to a close. We know that this is the day the Continental Congress approved the Declaration of Independence. But there is so much more to the story than that single moment.

The Declaration of Independence is a statement of belief about equality, justice, and the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. That is what the Fourth of July is about.

More than a million patriotic American military men and women have died defending the freedoms we celebrate this day. Another million-and-a-half came home from war wounded, sick or disabled.

That is an awesome price to pay for liberty, but it is the price that makes our freedom

so precious. It has been said, "Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty."

God bless American and long keep us independent and free!

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Thank You Veterans!  
By: Father Denis Edward O'Brien, USMC

Who is a veteran? Some veterans bear visible signs of their service: a missing limb, a jagged scar, a certain look in the eye. Others may carry the evidence inside them: a pin holding a bone together, a piece of shrapnel in the leg, or perhaps another sort of inner steel—the soul's alloy forged in the refinery of adversity.

Except in parades, however, the men and women who have kept America safe wear no badge or emblem. You can't tell a vet just by looking. So what is a vet?

He is the cop on the beat who spent six months in Saudi Arabia sweating two gallons a day making sure the armored personnel carriers didn't run out of fuel.

He is the barroom loudmouth, dumber than five wooden planks whose overgrown frat-boy behavior is outweighed a hundred times in the cosmic scales by four hours of exquisite bravery near the 38th parallel.

She (or he) is the nurse who fought against futility and went to sleep sobbing every night for two solid years in DaNang.

He is the POW who went away one person and come back another or didn't come back at all.

He is the parade-riding Legionnaire who pins on his ribbons and medals with a prosthetic hand.

He is the three anonymous heroes in "The Tomb of the Unknowns", whose presence at the Arlington National Cemetery must forever preserve the memory of all the anonymous heroes whose valor dies unrecognized with them on the battlefield or in the ocean's sunless deep.

He is an ordinary and yet an extraordinary human being—a person who offered some of his life's most vital years in the service of his country, and who sacrificed his ambitions so others would not have to sacrifice theirs.

He is a soldier and a savior and a sword against the darkness, and he is nothing more than the finest, greatest testimony on behalf of the finest, greatest nation ever known.

So remember, each time you see someone who has served our country, just lean over and say Thank You. That's all most

people need, and in most cases, it will mean more than any medals they could have been awarded or were awarded. Two little words that mean a lot, "Thank You."

"It is the soldier, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press."

"It is the soldier, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech."

"It is the soldier, not the campus organizer, who has given us the freedom to demonstrate."

"It is the soldier, who salutes the flag, who serves beneath the flag, and whose coffin is draped by the flag, who allows the protester to burn the flag."

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Iva Jo Hanslik is temporarily the Community Relations Coordinator at the VA Medical Center. She may be contacted at (915) 264-4824.

## Hill-Brooks

Jana Hill of Olathe, Kan., and Ron Brooks of Big Spring, were united in marriage on May 29, 1999, in Big Spring with Brother Ben Neel officiating.

She is the daughter of Conrad and Marilyn Bertrand of Atlanta, Ga. He is the son of Rodney and Carolyn Brooks.

The bride was given in marriage by her parents.

Maid of honor was Leasa Hill, sister of the bride, and best man was Reagan Brooks, brother of the groom.

The bride is a 1988 graduate of Olathe South High School, Olathe, Kan., and a 1990 graduate of Brown Mackie Business College in Overland Park, Kan. She is employed by Western Container.

The groom is a 1985 graduate of Coahoma High School and a 1990 graduate of Texas Tech.



MR. AND MRS. RON BROOKS

He is employed by the First Big Spring Banking Center.

The couple have made their home in Big Spring.

## WHO'S WHO

Amy Earnst Inman, a 1994 graduate of Big Spring High School, has successfully completed the registered nursing program at Covenant School of Nursing (formerly Methodist Hospital School of Nursing) in Lubbock.

Graduation ceremonies were held May 28, at the First United Methodist Church in Lubbock. Inman is the daughter of W.C. and Leslie Earnst of Big Spring and is married to Brandon Inman of Plainview.

Mandy Jo Hodnett, a 1995 graduate of Sands High School, has successfully completed the registered nursing program at Covenant School of Nursing (formerly Methodist Hospital School of Nursing) in Lubbock.

Graduation ceremonies were held Friday, May 28, at the First United Methodist Church in Lubbock. Hodnett is the daughter of Freddie and Sandra Hodnett of Big Spring.

To correct a previous Who's Who listing — Justin Keith Wood was not a member of the Corp of Cadets at Texas A&M University. He did, however,

graduate with honors in May from Texas A&M with a degree in Agribusiness. To qualify as a cum laude graduate, a student must maintain an overall GPA of 3.5 to 3.75.

Wood has been accepted to Texas Tech School of Law and will begin classes in August.

Elisa Michelle Hinojos graduated May 15 from Texas Tech University Summa Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in microbiology and a minor in chemistry. She will be attending graduate school at UTMB in Galveston as a doctoral candidate.

Hinojos is the daughter of Anna and Manuel Hinojos.

Katie Gaskins of Knott has accepted membership in the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and will be honored during a campus ceremony this fall at Texas A&M University.

The National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS) recognizes first and second year undergraduate students who excel academically.

## HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured: "Terry" DSH orange tabby, male, 2 years old, neutered.

Special Note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have received their vaccinations, including rabies.

"Trudy" DLH gray female, 2 years old, spayed.

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neutered.

"Poppy" DSH gray tiger striped female tabby, 1 year old, spayed.

"Tuffy" DSH gray and white tabby male, 1 year old, neutered.

"Tutone" DSH black and white male, 1 year old, neutered.

"Kasey" DSH orange tabby male, 2 years old plus, neutered.

"Jackie" grey tabby with spots, DSH female, 2 years old plus, spayed.

"Jinks" DLH female, 2 years old plus, spayed, brown and white tabby.

These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$60 and cats are \$50. This includes spaying or neutering, vaccinations, wormings and rabies shots. Also covers feline leukemia tests for cats. All pets come with a two-week trial period. Call the shelter at 267-7832 for more information.

## IN THE MILITARY

Sunshine M. Scarbrough, daughter of Mike and Darleen Scarbrough of San Angelo, entered active duty in the U.S. Air Force on June 30. Scarbrough is a graduate of Big Spring High School.

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## Peterson-Maddux

Tomieka Lynn Peterson and Steven Paul Maddux exchanged wedding vows on June 12, 1999, at Comanche Trail Park with China Long officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mike Peterson and Russ and Teri Pearson of Ashtabula, Ohio.

He is the son of Gary and Julia Maddux of Big Spring.

Given in marriage by Michael Peterson II, brother of the bride, the bride wore her mother-in-law's antique white Juliet-style gown featuring a high neck and long sleeves with a matching 10-foot veil attached to a ring of daisies and yellow roses.

She carried a bouquet of daisies and yellow roses.

Maid of honor was Amy Peterson, bride's sister-in-law, and best man was Michael Peterson II, bride's brother.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the Old Settler's Pavilion at Comanche Trail Park.

The bride's cake was a three tiered white cake over a lit flower fountain and decorated with pearls, daisies and yellow roses.

The groom's cake was a two layered chocolate cake decorated with chocolate covered strawberries.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Ashtabula High School and is employed by Comet Cleaners.

The groom is currently working on his GED and is employed by Walmart.

Following a wedding trip to Lubbock, the couple has made their home in Big Spring.



MR. AND MRS. STEVEN PAUL MADDUX

## ON THE MENU

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MONDAY-CLOSED

TUESDAY-Catfish, french fries, green beans, coleslaw, milk/cornbread, cake.

WEDNESDAY-Meat loaf, macaroni & cheese, mixed vegetables, salad, milk/rolls, applesauce.

THURSDAY-Smothered steak, peas & cauliflower, gelatin salad, cornbread, milk, cookies.

FRIDAY-Turkey & dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, fruit salad, milk/rolls, cookies.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM

MONDAY-Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, pineapple tidbits.

TUESDAY-Rib sandwich, carrots and potatoes, grapes, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Pizza, green beans, applesauce, milk.

THURSDAY-Burrito, salsa, pinto beans, fries, brownie.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS



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## ANNIVERSARIES

### Saldivar



FIDEL AND LUPE SALDIVAR, THEN AND NOW.

Fidel and Lupe Saldivar celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, July 3, 1999, with a mass at St. Thomas Church, followed by a reception in the church hall and a dance at the Dora Roberts Community Center. Their sons and daughters hosted the event.

He was born in Melvin, and she was born in Yorktown as Lupe Estrada. They meet in Ackerly. They were married on Dec. 10, 1949. Mr. and Mrs. Saldivar have six children, Adrian Saldivar of Dallas, Fidel Saldivar of Midland, Berlinda Rivera of Monahans, Elvia Martinez of Amarillo, Adriel

Saldivar of Dallas, and Nelda Yvette Saldivar of Big Spring. They also have seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild. The couple has lived mostly in Big Spring during their marriage except for five years in Guymon, Okla.

He is retired from Webb AFB. He was a civilian employee. They are active members of St. Thomas Catholic Church. They are both Eucharistic Ministers of the church. He is active in the St. Joseph Society where he has served five terms as president, and she is active in the Altar Society and the Guadalupanas. She also enjoys cake decorating.

### Abundez

Paulo and Narcisca Abundez celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on July 3, 1999, with a mass at Sacred Heart Catholic Church and a dance at the Howard County Fair Barns with their children and grandchildren hosting.

He was born in Eden, and she was born in Melvin as Narcisca Escobar. They met in Eden and were married on June 19, 1949, at St. Charles Catholic Church in Eden.

Mr. and Mrs. Abundez have six children, Dinah Hartin, Cynthia Aguilar, both of San Angelo, Nellie Robles, Elva Clarke, both of Big Spring, Abel Abundez of Midland, and Paul Edward Abundez of Fabens. They have lived in Eden and in Big Spring during their marriage.

Currently, he is a retired mechanic. They are affiliated



PAULO AND NARCISCA ABUNDEZ with Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Mrs. Abundez is a member of the Guadalupanas Society of Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and Mr. Abundez enjoys fishing.

Lloyd and Marguerite Hardy are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary.

He was born in Hale Center, and she was born in Glasscock County as Marguerite Cook. They met in 1937 in Garden City and were married on July 4, 1939, at the First Methodist Church in Big Spring. They have two children, Reta Bell of Garden City, and Paula Talbot of Big Spring. They also have three grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Hardy have lived in Garden City their entire marriage.

Currently, Mr. Hardy is a



MR. AND MRS. LLOYD HARDY

rancher in Garden City, where he has ranched for 70 years. They are affiliated with the First Methodist Church in Garden City.

### Sherrill



EARL AND PAULA SHERRILL, THEN AND NOW

Earl and Paula Sherrill celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on June 27, 1999, at the couple's home in Midland with Nancy Wolcott and Jay Sherrill hosting.

He was born in Chicago, Ill., and she was born in Coleman as Paula Nicholson. They met in the summer of 1973 by mutual friends. They were married on June 30, 1974, at the First Baptist Church in Big Spring

with Dr. Patrick officiating.

They have two children, Lynn Sherrill of Iraan, and Jay Sherrill of Midland. The couple has lived in Big Spring and Midland during their marriage.

He is the operations manager at a transportation company, and she is a teacher for the Greenwood ISD. They are affiliated with the First Baptist Church of Big Spring. They enjoy golf and traveling.

### Herald seeking updates for Community Guide

Clubs, organizations and churches are urged to contact *The Big Spring Herald* which is in the process of updating information for Community Guide, to publish on Sunday, July 25.

Please provide us with any changes to last year's listing, in writing.

Deadline for updated information is noon on Wednesday, July 14.

Clubs, community groups and

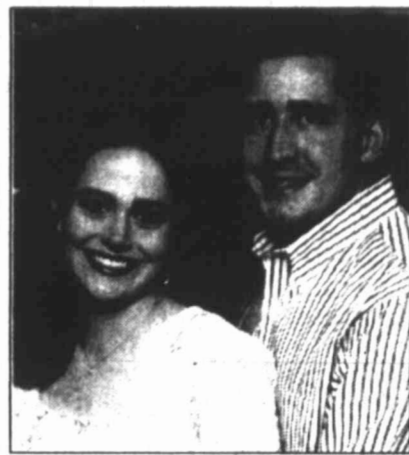
organizations, please provide us with meeting times, places and contact person.

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: [jwalker@rcrom.net](mailto:jwalker@rcrom.net).

For accuracy, we cannot accept information by phone.

## GETTING ENGAGED



Jenny Renae Henderson of Lubbock, and Jason Todd Sims of Big Spring will exchange wedding vows on July 24, 1999, at Indiana Avenue Baptist Church in Lubbock with Russ Murphy, pastor, officiating.

She is the daughter of Jim and Angela Henderson of Lubbock.

He is the son of Terry and Jan Sims of Big Spring.



Cindy Locke and John Byers, both of Bryan, will exchange wedding vows on July 31, 1999, in Bryan with Mike Wilkerson, of Central Baptist Church, officiating.

She is the daughter of Larry and Doris Locke, Bryan, formerly of Big Spring.

He is the son of John and Helen Neill of Wills Point.



Tasha Lynn Rock and Robert Kenneth Barlow, both of Austin, will unite in marriage on July 24, 1999, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Big Spring.

She is the daughter of Wayne and Joan Rock. He is the son of Bob and Elizabeth Barlow of Odessa.



Stephanie Moss and Robert Headrick will unite in marriage on July 10, 1999, at the First Christian Church with the Rev. Gary Groves officiating.

She is the daughter of Ronnie and Pam Moss, Big Spring. He is the son of JoAnne Poyner of Big Spring, and Roy and Janie Headrick of Georgetown.



Theresa Ann Ray of San Antonio, and Ryan Todd Engel of New Braunfels, will be united in marriage on July 17, 1999, at St. Paul Lutheran Church in New Braunfels.

She is the daughter of Larry and Helen Ray of Big Spring, and the granddaughter of Margaret Ray and Irene Maxwell. He is the son of Reno and Kay Engel.



Elisa Michelle Hinojos, Big Spring, and John Casey Fleming, Dallas, will be united in marriage on July 17, 1999, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church with the Rev. Chris Coleman officiating.

She is the daughter of Manuel and Ana Hinojos of Big Spring. He is the son of Les and Melinda Fleming of El Reno, Okla.

## STORK CLUB

Michael Spearman Golden III, boy, April 12, 1999, 4:10 p.m., 10 pounds three ounces and 20 inches long; parents are Michael and Courtney Golden.

Grandparents are Felice Logan of Big Spring, David and Diane Logan of Tucson, Ariz., and Michael and Mary Anne Golden, Sr. of Sanger. Three year old sister is Annie.

*Paid announcement*

Michael Tyler Olson, boy, June 21, 1999, 3:06 a.m., eight pounds 10 1/2 ounces and 21 1/2 inches long; parents are Nikki and Tommy Olson.

Grandparents are Ann and Kirk McKnight of Big Spring, Dale and Renee Olson of Bellmead, and Gary and Patricia Smith of Columbus, Ga., formerly of Big Spring.

Sabastien Sanchez Ortiz, boy, June 27, 1999, 11:52 p.m., six pounds 2 1/2 ounces and 21 inches long; parents are Elisa and Juan Ortiz, Big Spring. Grandparents are Estella and Orlando Sanchez, Big Spring.

Aaron Weldon Blackshear, boy, June 29, 1999, 2:57 a.m., eight pounds 11 ounces and 21 1/2 inches long; parents are Cameron and Ramona Blackshear.

Grandparents are Tony and Pat Vines, Mike and Ann Garcia, H.C. and Opal Blackshear, all of Big Spring, Dealy Blackshear, John and Lupe Garcia, all of San Antonio, and Florence Bair of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Michael Ryan Hewtty, boy, June 16, 1999, 12:04 p.m., seven pounds 8 ounces and 21 inches long; parents are Florencio and Irma Hewtty Jr.

Grandparents are Lupe and Simona Martinez of Coahoma, and Florencio and Margarita Hewtty of Lenorah.

Cassandra Alexis Ortegon, girl, June 25, 1999, 8:05 a.m., nine pounds 1/4 ounce and 21 inches long; parents are Mr. and Mrs. Jose Ortegon.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gallardo of Big Spring, and Mr. and Mrs. Rey Luna of Dilley.

Heaven Marie Castanuela, girl, June 24, 1999, 9:53 p.m., five pounds 13 ounces and 18 inches long; parents are Manuel and Lisa Castanuela.

Grandparents are Robert and Della Riffe of Big Spring.

Manuel Castanuela of Menard, and Ollie Castanuela of Carthage.

Demis Ray Saenz, boy, June 21, 1999, seven pounds 13 1/2 ounces and 21 inches long; parents are Rosalinda and Alberto Saenz.

Grandparents are Elvira and Manuel Saenz, Lupe Cruz and Sammy Ortega, all of Big Spring.

Isaiah Javier Godina, boy, June 19, 1999, 11:37, five pounds 11 1/2 ounces and 20 3/4 inches long; mother is Norma Godina.

Grandparents are Olga and Felipe Godina.

Taylor Ray Christian, boy, June 19, 1999, 11:09 a.m., seven pounds five ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; mother is Merri Etta Christian.

Grandparents are Mr. and

Mrs. Raymond Christian, Big Spring.

Danny Michael McKinzie II, boy, June 15, 1999, 12:13 p.m., eight pounds six ounces and 21 inches long; parents are Angee James and Michael McKinzie. Grandparents are Jimmy and Peggy Coppedge of Robert Lee, Earnie and Donna Chapman of Amarillo, and Larry James of Plainview.

Adrianna Renee Rodriguez, girl, June 17, 1999, 1 p.m., six pounds 10 ounces and 20 1/2 inches long; parents are Frances and Tony Rodriguez. Grandparents are Rosa and Frank Alcantar and Maria and Fred Rodriguez, all of Big Spring.

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YEAR	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUN.	JUL.	AUG.	SEP.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL
1900	.52	.25	.89	5.12	4.32	1.71	.90	1.05	2.77	2.04	1.18	.13	21.81
1901	.11	1.89	.00	1.07	2.07	1.00	4.73	.11	3.88	.58	1.80	.24	18.88
1902	.81	.82	.00	.58	4.55	1.41	12.88	1.24	2.48	.82	2.28	.34	27.28
1903	.81	.84	.24	.88	1.55	2.83	.38	.78	3.18	.22	.00	.00	18.88
1904	.25	.00	.00	1.12	3.40	4.06	.75	2.27	3.45	.50	.88	.43	17.11
1905	.45	1.34	2.89	3.34	5.71	3.52	3.40	2.40	3.38	1.78	1.74	.77	38.78
1906	.31	.81	.87	2.98	3.52	2.58	4.41	5.08	.84	1.11	2.88	.51	25.98
1907	.17	.00	1.89	.22	1.97	.88	1.81	1.82	2.78	11.87	1.37	.27	24.54
1908	.43	.00	.28	5.27	4.08	.89	1.78	2.90	2.81	.25	1.40	.00	18.41
1909	.82	.00	.42	.81	2.17	1.62	.85	1.23	.78	.78	4.01	.84	12.28
1910	.23	.83	.28	1.00	.89	.51	1.24	.84	.42	2.32	.17	.12	7.28
1911	.58	4.29	.43	2.55	.32	.20	1.34	.37	1.78	.25	.18	2.58	14.84
1912	.00	1.82	.17	.55	1.10	1.89	1.25	1.04	1.18	1.58	1.13	.80	11.10
1913	.29	.53	1.41	1.44	1.88	3.28	.87	.84	2.72	3.22	1.88	2.82	18.48
1914	.27	.84	.77	.58	4.29	4.00	1.44	3.89	.78	4.37	1.84	1.43	23.88
1915	.46	.15	.83	5.75	.44	1.58	4.43	3.26	2.95	1.33	.00	.57	28.84
1916	.18	.00	1.74	2.12	.14	1.58	2.42	4.31	.87	1.30	1.81	.10	15.78
1917	.28	.00	.83	.87	.81	.88	.73	.17	.78	.00	.12	.00	4.88
1918	.88	.73	.88	.10	1.19	3.53	.18	.24	1.88	1.88	.74	1.32	12.35
1919	.57	.86	3.08	1.45	1.43	8.28	.85	3.88	7.43	6.31	.78	.88	34.81
1920	1.87	.20	.12	.88	5.32	1.33	.81	8.38	.88	1.85	2.22	.20	21.28
1921	.25	.80	1.15	.11	3.89	2.77	.45	.85	.71	.23	.00	.00	11.11
1922	.38	.88	1.78	12.77	2.38	2.88	.38	.22	.00	1.15	1.35	.00	23.31
1923	.28	3.01	2.18	4.58	1.24	2.61	1.88	.88	1.58	8.31	1.18	1.88	28.28
1924	.83	.50	.82	.81	3.82	.85	.88	2.88	.88	1.42	.85	.13	11.88
1925	.15	.00	.00	4.43	2.88	1.88	1.22	2.88	3.88	3.11	.14	.00	18.18
1926	.88	.88	2.18	2.24	1.88	4.38	2.27	1.82	3.58	3.48	.32	2.18	25.25
1927	.53	1.88	.27	1.18	1.28	2.18	1.22	.42	4.88	.45	.00	.42	13.58
1928	.35	.75	.82	.48	10.18	.85	1.37	2.88	.78	1.31	.71	.88	28.84
1929	.32	.85	2.88	.13	3.18	1.88	2.31	1.72	5.44	3.28	.74	.00	22.44
1930	.48	.00	.11	2.38	1.85	1.85	.88	2.18	.24	2.82	2.32	1.48	15.87
1931	1.31	.87	1.28	2.53	.75	.58	2.48	.85	.84	7.88	3.38	1.38	22.88
1932	1.12	3.81	.17	2.24	5.17	4.83	.23	4.88	8.78	.58	.00	3.88	34.25
1933	.11	.79	.18	.85	.88	.16	1.41	4.78	.84	.54	1.15	.54	11.28
1934	.31	.58	1.58	1.73	.88	1.25	.88	2.84	.81	.17	1.88	.85	12.88
1935	.13	1.32	1.88	1.16	4.88	5.88	.88	1.54	3.83	2.58	1.48	.48	25.85
1936	.16	.83	1.94	.51	4.55	.48	.85	.00	10.52	1.88	.58	.83	22.25
1937	.44	.88	1.51	.83	3.38	1.14	.88	1.85	.34	1.35	1.58	1.58	14.84
1938	1.81	1.78	.33	.85	1.88	6.85	5.35	.45	.11	1.88	.73	.82	21.32
1939	2.71	.13	.86	.44	2.88	2.61	1.45	2.47	.00	.81	1.21	.88	15.45
1940	.40	1.88	.88	.55	1.82	5.83	.87	3.83	1.18	1.44	1.81	.82	16.13
1941	1.18	1.82	3.24	2.84	4.88	4.19	3.18	2.88	3.82	3.84	.18	1.45	31.82
1942	.10	.88	.25	1.85	1.27	.54	8.43	4.28	1.47	.88	2.81	.88	23.88
1943	.28	.82	.88	.25	4.44	.83	3.85	.18	.28	.18	1.17	2.78	14.24
1944	1.85	2.82	.00	.14	2.88	1.38	2.13	.88	1.84	.88	2.78	1.38	17.78
1945	.85	.29	1.84	.00	1.15	8.25	8.88	1.85	3.83	.83	.38	.38	25.31
1946	1.42	.13	.58	.12	1.88	1.88	.88	1.21	2.31	2.88	.18	1.47	13.83
1947	.58	.85	1.54	.00	4.51	.72	1.42	.82	.78	.88	1.48	1.35	12.84
1948	.10	.75	.18	.00	.84	1.18	5.78	1.11	.82	2.88	.00	.38	12.47
1949	2.14	.88	.31	2.23	4.42	2.78	.52	.81	1.43	1.81	.00	.58	18.88
1950	.88	.88	.00	2.88	7.88	1.82	4.28	.71	2.38	.00	.00	.00	28.75
1951	.88	.14	.58	.38	2.88	1.85	2.28	2.42	1.88	.84	.12	.22	12.28
1952	.10	.23	.22	.51	.82	.00	.71	.71	3.22	.00	1.61	1.87	8.28
1953	.83	.38	1.81	1.28	.71	.28	.87	.55	6.35	.12	.13	.13	13.85
1954	.48	.88	.88	2.84	7.85	4.38	.13	1.22	.88	.87	.45	.18	18.42
1955	1.18	.22	.88	.00	3.78	.78	4.84	3.53	.88	1.85	.17	.00	15.84
1956	.22	.17	.82	1.88	1.12	.22	.85	.58	.88	2.82	.13	.88	8.88
1957	.52	.87	.48	1.57	7.88	1.88	.88	2.48	1.24	3.28	1.82	.28	23.14
1958	1.78	1.48	1.43	1.88	1.83	1.31	1.48	1.81	1.83	3.31	.81	.00	18.35
1959	.82	.83	.78	.83	3.88	4.87	4.48	1.85	1.34	2.77	.18	1.85	23.14
1960	1.48	.77	.28	2.82	1.88	.88	4.38	1.23	.82	1.78	.87	1.85	15.73
1961	2.88	.88	1.83	.81	.82	5.88	8.88	.88	3.21	.28	2.88	.38	22.88
1962	.88	.00	.71	.81	.31	1.28	3.88	.84	8.48	.85	.17	1.21	18.83
1963	.00	1.88	.00	3.18	4.18	3.28	.78	1.84	1.13	.18	1.88	.28	18.38
1964	.58	.35	1.88	.13	1.57	2.18	.88	.82	1.78	.11	.44	.84	18.88
1965	.27	1.48	.84	.27	5.78	1.85	.32	2.17	2.88	.34	.28	.48	15.48
1966	.83	.58	.81	5.84	1.57	1.88	.85	5.88	2.82	1.17	.87	.82	22.82
1967	.00	2.47	.82	.38	.33	2.33	3.28	1.18	4.88	.58	1.25	.78	18.12
1968	1.82	1.48	2.88	1.58	5.18	1.78	1.37	2.33	1.18	.88	4.18	.15	22.73
1969	.84	.88	1.31	2.54	7.15	1.42	.18	2.12	2.85	3.88	1.42	1.34	24.74
1970	.82	.88	3.18	.82	2.88	.18	.81	1.88	1.87	.00	.22	.22	12.88
1971	.00	.00	.00	2.87	3.82	2.18	3.17	3.48	2.88	1.28	.38	.45	18.48
1972	.17	.87	.88	.48	1.88	3.75	1.18	4.88	3.38	3.48	.27	.88	18.42
1973	1.43	1.88	1.88	1.88	3.88	.48	2.74	.58	4.84	.58	.00	.00	18.48
1974	.72	.00	1.27	1.73	1.48	.85	.22	1.53	8.12	8.55	.35	.74	28.77
1975	1.81	.85	.82	.47	8.21	1.88	5.88	3.87	4.35	.84	1.88	1.21	28.81
1976	.81	.88	.18	2.88	3.88	.44	4.18	.82	2.88	2.58	.34	.88	17.44
1977	.87	.28	1.23	3.88	.82	3.71	2.84	2.21	.00	.53	.88	.24	15.88
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- 9 Positions customarily occupied by others
- 15 Typical American dessert
- 16 Tragedy by Shakespeare
- 17 Artfully making by hand
- 18 NY-based int. org.
- 19 Family
- 20 Yearly income
- 22 "... the land of the free
- 23 Clark's girlfriend
- 25 Jewels
- 26 Soviet writer
- 28 Sandwich cookies
- 30 Legendary archer
- 32 Emit a beam of light
- 33 Like fish and octopi
- 35 Flavored
- 37 Gloomy
- 39 Josip Broz
- 40 Math points
- 44 Expat from a country
- 48 Vogue rival
- 49 Pekeo and oolong
- 51 Conical shelter
- 52 Trumpet blast
- 54 Concept
- 56 Umps' cohorts
- 57 Objective
- 58 Basswoods
- 61 Boring routine
- 62 Saturated
- 64 Guess
- 66 Forever, poetically
- 67 Storyteller
- 68 Flow
- 69 Broom welders

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- 1 Unfilled orders
- 2 Deductive
- 3 Sporting dog
- 4 Santa's helper?
- 5 Letter after alpha
- 6 Caricaturing
- 7 Brownish songbird
- 8 Peas and beans
- 9 Close
- 10 Country singer
- 11 Suffix in linguistics
- 12 Other fresher
- 13 Expire
- 14 Came on like gangbusters
- 21 Small landmass
- 24 Dogface
- 27 Filming boob
- 29 Join by sewing
- 31 "... back (relaxed)
- 34 Mid. oath
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- 41 Gould of "M\*A\*S\*H"
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Advertisement for Proposals The Howard County Junior College District is now accepting proposals for the following:

**BOOKSTORE MANAGEMENT & OPERATIONS SERVICE** BIG SPRING and SAN ANGELO CAMPUSES

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Technical questions should be directed to Terry Hansen, V.P. of Administrative Services, Howard College, (915) 264-5175. Bidding questions directed to Dennis Churchwell, Purchaser, 1001 Birdwell Lane, Big Spring, TX 79720. (915) 264-5167. Howard County Junior College District reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 2369 July 4 & 11, 1999

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Equipment will be sold as (1) one bid and the minimum bid for the equipment is \$5000.00. Bids will be received in the Contracting & Materials Management Dept. until 3:00 p.m., July 12, 1999. All bidders agree to purchase the equipment in its current condition. Big Spring State Hospital will provide escorted inspection of equipment during reasonable hours. Award notification to occur on July 13, 1999. For more information on the terms and conditions of this sale, please contact Cindy Klaus, Asst. Director of Contracting at (915) 268-7509. Big Spring State Hospital reserves the right to reject any and all bids. 2370 July 4, 1999

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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, July 20, 1999, for a Plumbing Contractor to Relocate Water Services on Wood and Sycamore Streets. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at City Hall in the Second Floor Conference Room on July 8, 1999, 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, on July 20, 1999, 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 of all bids and to waive any of all formalities. 2367 July 4 & 11, 1999

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**NOTICE OF UNSAFE BUILDINGS** STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HOWARD

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4-Praciliano Viera % Benita 113 NE 9th Big Spring TX, SO 42 32 1N TR 42 WMB B Currie Addition, located at 113 NE 9th

5-J.D. Self % Tina Self 804 N. Washington Ave. Apt. 3 Odessa TX, LT 13 BK 45 College Hts. Addition, located at 2407 Runnels

6-Andy Lopez ET UX 500 NW 6th Big Spring TX LT 12 BK 10 Bauer Addition, located at 500 NW 6th

7-Hector Granados 602 Mesquite Big Spring TX E50 LTS 1-2-3 BK 4 Earls Addition, located at 1602 Mesquite

8-Jerry Rainey ET UX 1504 Tucson, Big Spring, TX LT 37 BK 4 Belvue Addition, located at 1504 Tucson

9-Katherine McKinzie 4103 W. HWY 80 Big Spring, TX LITS 2-4 BK 5 Wrights Airport Addition, located at 4103 W. HWY 80

10-Andy C. Edmonson 608 Goliad Big Spring, TX, Slot LT 3 all of LT 4 BK 48 Original Town, located at 608 Goliad

11-Eulimio Ortega % Sophia Ortega 608 N. Gregg Big Spring TX, LT 9 BK 9 Earls Addition, located at 507 Abrams

12-Luis & Erlinda Rios ET UX 715 Lorilla Big Spring, TX S60 LITS 9-11 BK 4 Wrights Airport Addition, located at 105 Lorilla

13-Unknown 904 W. 16th Big Spring, TX N/60 LT 9 BK 10 Jones Valley Addition, located at 904 W. 16th

14-Theresa Hagen 1220 E. 16th Big Spring, TX LT 9 BK 4 West Cliff Addition, located at 603 W. 15th

15-D.M. Corrales % Lydia Molina 4706 Shadyline Dr. Midland TX 79703 LT 10 BK 23 Bauer Addition, located at 4706 Shadyline

16-Benigno Chavez, PO Box 1561 Big Spring, TX LT 3 BK 23 Bauer Addition, located at 605 NW 9th. Dear Property owners:

Current Tax records of the City of Big Spring indicate that you are the owner of the property at the above street address. This structure is in violation of section 103.4 of the Southern Standard Building and the following detailed report documents the condition which have rendered the structure unsafe to with.

Diaphragm, sub-standard structure, plumbing and electrical do not meet the City Code of Ordinances. Windows missing or broken out. Building has been vandalized and pose a potential health hazard to the public. Structures cannot be secured to keep out transients or children.

Therefore, by the authority invested in my office by the Big Spring Code, I have declared the structure or portions thereof unsafe, dilapidated substandard