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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.

Deadline for providing updated information is noon on Wednesday, July 14.

The Community Guide is used as a year-long source of information on businesses by category, civic and service clubs, churches and a wide variety of other information.

Please provide us with any changes to last year's listing — such as a new business address or change in club or organization contact or, in the case of churches, new pastors — in writing.

If you are a business that is new to the community or a new organization, please provide us with all pertinent information that may be of interest to our readers.

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@crcom.net.

To ensure accuracy, information will not be taken by telephone.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ VFW Post No. 2013, VFW Hall, 7 p.m.

□ Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

WEDNESDAY

□ Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room

□ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center.

□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY

□ Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.

WEATHER

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Holiday crashes claim 35 lives, including two in Crossroads Area

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

Two fatal traffic accidents in the Crossroads Area were among 27 crashes statewide that claimed a total of 35 lives during the July 4 holiday weekend, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS). The DPS had predicted as many as 31 people would die in traffic accidents.

Twenty-three year-old Janelle Sedillo of San Angelo died at 6:13 Saturday morning at

University Medical Center in Lubbock from injuries sustained in a one-vehicle rollover south of Big Spring on U.S. 87. The accident was reported to law enforcement authorities at 11:10 p.m. Friday night.

Sedillo and her daughter, 1-year-old Anna Flores, were riding in the back seat of a vehicle driven by 25-year-old Eli Daniel Flores, also of San Angelo.

According to reports, Flores said he fell asleep at the wheel and the northbound vehicle veered off the road. When he tried to bring the vehicle back

under control, Flores overcorrected and it rolled over one time, coming to rest in the southbound lane.

Flores was wearing a seatbelt but the victim and the child were not, according to the DPS. The driver and child were treated and released from Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

In the Sterling County accident, 16-year-old John Farris of Amarillo was killed three miles south of Sterling City on U.S. 87 when he apparently fell while attempting to climb from the bed of a moving pickup on to its

cab. According to the DPS, a Nazareth man, Brian Charanza, was driving the truck north on U.S. 87 when the accident occurred.

In other crashes, five people were killed in the Rio Grande Valley when a car hit a van carrying a Mexico-bound Conroe family.

Four people seriously injured in the crash remained hospitalized Monday. All of the injured and four of the dead are members of the same family.

The accident was the second

fatal one in the Valley over the holiday weekend. A Brownsville teen-ager also was killed in a one-car accident outside San Benito on U.S. 77/83.

In the crash that killed five people near the mid-Valley town of Edcouch, the Texas Department of Public Safety said a car driven by Jose Guadalupe Rodriguez was northbound on Farm Road 1015 about 2:30 a.m. Sunday when he veered into the southbound lane and collided head-on with a

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Things heat up at fire academy's last class

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Citizen's Fire Academy students extinguished a fire during their last class of the academy, in a mock situation of a real firefighter's response to a crisis.

Deputy chief Glenn Graves, along with Fire Marshal Burr Lea Settles Jr., Fred Newman and Ken Mayhall, helped the students don the firemen's bunker gear, including the air tank and face masks.

A call came over the scanner, "This is a test," and the students — Lucy Clinton, Garner Thixton, Brad Smith and Marsha Jones — raced toward the fire aboard a fire truck driven by John Dorton.

A burn house, located on the McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark property in a field far from other buildings, is used by the Big Spring Fire Department as a training location for rookie firefighters.

"There's really more to putting out a fire than you would think," said Smith after he had entered the burning building to try his hand at running the fire hose to put out the blaze.

Many of the skills taught during the academy came into play during the actual fire, such as aiming the water above the blaze to create steam which will extinguish a blaze more quickly.

"For every one cubic foot of water, 17,000 cubic feet of steam is created," said Newman.

Newman or Graves followed a student into the building as backup, for safety reasons as well as policy that a firefighter never enter a building alone.

Graves said firefighters who are operating the water hose, pointed at the fire, became so enmeshed in what they are doing it creates a feeling of isolation.

And Smith and Clinton, who both entered the building to fight the fire, said the feeling of



Citizens Fire Academy student Lucy Clinton, center, prepares to enter a burning building with the assistance of Big Spring firefighter Fred Newman, left and Deputy Chief Glenn Graves. Clinton fought and extinguished the fire as part of the last instructional class of the academy.

isolation described by firefighters is a valid experience.

"I kept looking behind me to make sure he was there. I just felt so alone," Clinton said.

And both of the academy students agreed one of the greatest difficulties, other than wearing the bunker gear, was maneuvering the hose through the house.

"So you can imagine what it is like trying to get the hose through a house, around couches and tables," Graves said.

Thixton aimed the hose through an outside window to extinguish the blaze, which

was created by setting fire to hay bales and wood.

Because heat rises, Graves said the hottest part of any fire is at the ceiling, where temperatures may reach 1,000 plus degrees in just minutes.

The students viewed a film before the fire call that demonstrated that gases coming from burning material will create a flame high in the air, above the source of the original fire, called a flash over.

"We teach rookies it's not the floor or the woodwork that's going to be the hottest and most dangerous, it's the gases,"

Graves said.

Thixton knew that firefighters should stay below the smoke line inside a burning structure, because that is where the coolest temperatures are.

As part of the class critique, Settles said without the face masks and oxygen tanks, firefighters could not stay inside a burning structure longer than just a few moments.

"That's what we called eating smoke before we began using the oxygen and face masks," he

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Funds

TEXAS grants available for students at HC

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Howard College financial aid director Ann Duncan is getting the word out about a new money source for college students, the Texas Excellence, Access and Success (TEXAS) Grant Program.

"We want to identify these students right now, and these are continuous awards, so if they are identified now they will be in the loop," said Ann Duncan, Howard College financial aid director.

The Texas Legislature has allocated \$18 million to be placed into this grant fund for the 1999-2000 school year. Each year the grant fund will increase — \$33 million in 2000-01, \$48 million in 2001-02, \$70 million in 2002-03 and \$92 million in 2003-04.

Howard College has been allocated \$30,139 for this year. Fall registration is Aug. 18-19 and classes begin Aug. 23.

"The main thing right now for Howard College students and community members and people who are planning to attend college anywhere this fall is to know about this grant, determine if they qualify and self identify themselves by calling their financial aid office and saying 'put me on the list,'" Duncan said.

State officials have prescribed specific criteria for the grant, which could pay all of the tuition and fees for a college student, and continue to provide financial support throughout their academic career.

For Howard College students, the semester grant amount could be as much as \$500 or \$600, Duncan said.

"Identifying the students who qualify for this grant, at this time, our financial aid deadline was July 1, will be the real challenge. That's why I'm hoping these students will call me."

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Children find summer fun in books

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Reading has its rewards, a group of local kids learned last week.

Participants in the Howard County Library's Summer Reading Program celebrated more than a month of games, movies, guest speakers and above all, reading, with a party in the basement Children's Room.

"It really, really was a truly good year," said Children's Librarian Karen McIntyre. "You guys are all winners because you read all summer long."

Ninety-five children ages 18 months to 14 years completed the program, reading or having read to them 2,100 books. Those who kept track of their books

and turned in log sheets at program's end received a certificate, and were invited to the party. Several hundred other children attended the program occasionally.

"It was exciting," said Wendell Moore, a young reader who also won the program's contest to guess how many buttons were in a jar. The answer, as he and the others found out Thursday, was 1,027. Most kids guessed closer to 300, McIntyre said.

Caitlin Carlyle also came away a winner, taking home a prize in the program's scavenger hunt. Alyssa Byrd, a participant in the "Read to Me" category, won the contest to draw a storybook character.

Texas children's book author Herb Marlow, the party's guest speaker, told the kids they had bright futures ahead of them.

"My mother always said if you can read and read well, you can do anything you want to do," he said.

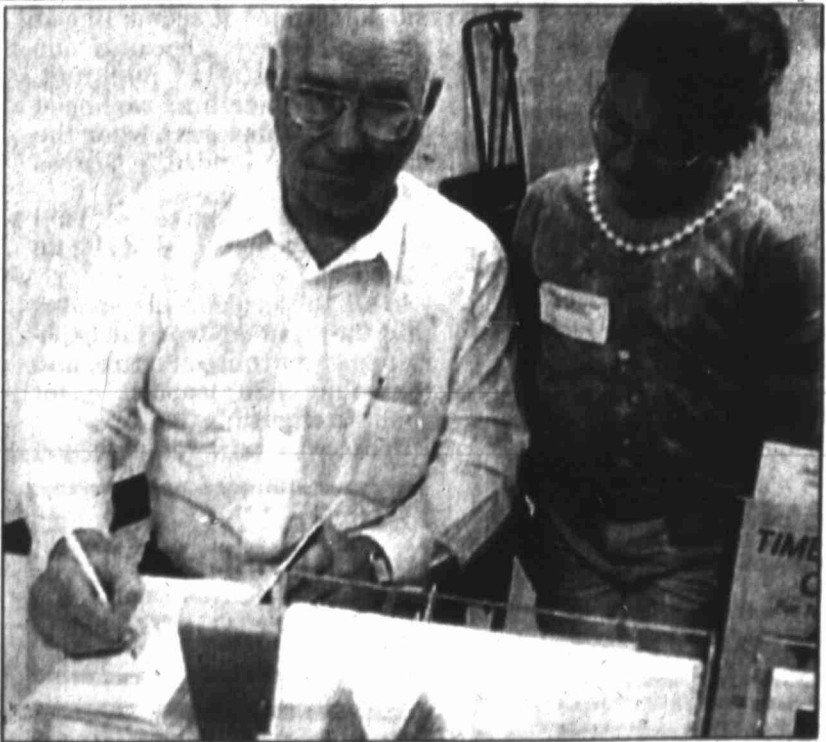
He added that writing books only required two things, the ability to read and the ability to write. "There's an author inside every one of you just waiting to come out," he told the kids. Marlow had the group's full attention while he told stories about adventures of his childhood.

McIntyre asked for applause for the parents of participants.

"Without parents to get them here, and to make sure they read, we wouldn't have a program," she said.

Wendell said while the summer program was fun, and although he enjoys reading, there was more to it than that.

"It was hard work, too," he said.



Texas author Herb Marlow signs a book for April Choate Thursday during the Howard County Library's Summer Reading Program closing party.

OBITUARIES

John E. Fulesday

John E. Fulesday, 55, Big Spring died Monday, July 5, 1999, at the Veterans Administration Medical Center after a long illness. Service will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 7, 1999, at Myers and Smith Chapel with Rev. Steve Stutz, pastor of St. Paul Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.



FULESDAY

Mr. Fulesday was born Aug. 28, 1943, in El Paso. He had lived in Big Spring since 1980, having moved from Alabama. Mr. Fulesday was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving 15 years, and later worked at the VA Medical Center. He was of the Lutheran faith.

Survivors include: one daughter, Regene Paredez and her husband, Joe of Colorado City; parents, Joe and Pauline Fulesday of Big Spring; two sisters, Karen Lee and her husband, Grady of El Paso, and Reveille Patterson and her husband, Harvey of Big Spring; two brothers, Val Fulesday and his wife, Sandi of Big Spring, and Charles Fulesday of Big Spring.

Pallbearers will be Mike Knowles, Clay Slape, Harvey Patterson, Grady Lee, Don Jones and Bobby McCormick. Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Paid obituary

John W. Shanks

John W. Shanks, 61, of the Blue Sage West Community on the Devil's River north of Del Rio, died on Sunday, July 4, 1999, at his residence. Service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 7, 1999, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Robert Rachug, minister of Elbow Baptist Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born on Jan. 12, 1938, in Proctor, and was a Baptist. He retired after 38 years as a mechanical maintenance superintendent from Phillips Petroleum Corp. His love of nature was only overshadowed by his love for his family.

Survivors include: his daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Brent Burrows of Lubbock, and his daughter, Staci Bobbitt of Okarche, Okla.; a granddaughter, Lacy Burrows of Lubbock; seven brothers, Autov Shanks of Blue Sage Community on the Devil's River north of Del Rio, Charlie Shanks, Wade Shanks, Clim Shanks and Howard

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24th & Johnson 267-8288
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Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331
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Shanks, all of Big Spring, Grover Shanks of Lake Brownwood, and Doyle Shanks of Proctor Lake; and two sisters, Jimmie Burks and Mae Shanks, both of Big Spring.

The family suggests memorials be made to the Cancer Therapy and Research Center, 7979 Wurzbach Rd., San Antonio, 78229.

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

Paid obituary

Vivian "Peachie" Harvey

Service for "Peachie" Harvey, 86, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. She died Tuesday, July 6, in a local hospital.

COLLEGE

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she said. To be eligible, a student must be a recent high school graduate who received a diploma no later earlier than December 1998.

These students must also have been enrolled in advanced or recommended curriculum in high school, similar to honors classes or advanced classes.

Each student must be enrolled in an undergraduate degree or certificate program at least three-quarter time, or nine semester hours, and must be entering college within 16 months of high school graduation.

And, each student must be a Texas resident, have never been convicted of a felony or a crime involving a controlled substance, and must have financial need.

"This grant is available in addition to any other financial aid the student might receive such as the Pell grant, work study, loans and scholarships, over and above other state programs," Duncan said.

Each student who applies for the TEXAS grant must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which may be done at a financial aid office of a college, or on the Internet.

Students who enroll in the program this year and maintain certain standards will continue to receive this assistant for up to 150 semester credit hours, or six years, which ever occurs first.

The first year of the program the student must remain in good academic status with the individual's educational institution. There after, the student must maintain a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale, and complete three-quarters of all classes attempted in the previous semester.

"The state of Texas is anxious to encourage those high achievers in high school to go on and complete their education, to go on and succeed in college. The state knows that education after high school is becoming more and more important," Duncan said.

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said. Settles and Graves both said the academy classmates were not as quick as real firefighters.

"It took ya'll forever to get dressed and get on the truck, and sometimes it seems like it takes us forever, because our adrenaline starts pumping, which was something we hoped ya'll would experience when the alarm was sounded," Graves said.

And Settles agreed. "Ya'll were extremely slow," he teased.

In all, the academy classmates said they had enjoyed the experience of putting out a fire, and that they had learned a lot about firefighting.

"This was very realistic and

seemed very true to me, and it is as real as I want to get to a real fire," Clinton said.

This is the tenth story of a 12-part series about the Citizens' Fire Academy. Tonight the students will receive their certificates of completion, and critique the classes.

FATAL

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van.

The drivers of both vehicles and three passengers in the van died. The family riding in the van, which included a father, mother, their children, the children's grandmother and possibly the grandmother's sister, was headed to Rio Bravo, Mexico, just across the border.

The van driver was Artemio Reyna, 47. The three others killed in the van were Maria Hernandez, 56, Paola Reyna, 76, and Ulyses Reyna, 7. All were from Conroe.

Van passengers Estela Blanca Reyna, 37, Myra Reyna, 11, Cynthia Reyna, 14, and Isela Rocha, 16, also of Conroe, were injured and taken to Knapp Medical Center in Weslaco.

Estela Blanca Reyna was listed in serious condition Monday. The three children were reportedly transferred to Driscoll Children's Hospital in Corpus Christi, but a person answering the phone at Driscoll Monday said no one there could disclose patient information.

Rodriguez, 33, of Elsa, was the only occupant in his car.

The cause of the crash was not known Monday. Department of Public Safety troopers were still investigating, said Trooper Romeo Garza.

Fatal crashes were reported in the following counties: Angelina, Bell, Brazoria, Brazos, Cameron, Coryell, Crockett, Dallam, Denton, Galveston, Glasscock, Guadalupe, Harris (three separate fatalities), Henderson, Hidalgo (five-fatalities), Hunt, Lamar, Lubbock, Montgomery, Scurry, Shelby, Sterling, Swisher and Tarrant (two separate fatalities).

The 27 crashes also resulted in 29 injuries. Twenty-three people were wearing seatbelts and 26 were not. Eight people were involved in situations where seatbelts were not applicable. It is not known whether seven of the people were wearing seatbelts. Three of the crashes were reported to have involved alcohol.

(The Associated Press contributed to this report.)

Was hot dog champ's chomp cheating? So says runner-up

NEW YORK (AP) — Is he the weiner, or nothing but a hound dog?

The second-place finisher in Coney Island's annual hot dog-eating contest says he was robbed of the coveted Mustard Yellow International Belt because the winner started eating too soon.

Videotape showed Steve Keiner cramming a frankfurter into his mouth just before the gun went off to start Sunday's 12-minute foodfest.

Keiner, a 317-pound electrical inspector from Egg Harbor Township, N.J., won by swallowing 20 and one-quarter Nathan's Famous hot dogs and buns in the allotted time.

Charles Hardy finished a bite or two behind, at 20 franks. He demanded a Labor Day rematch after seeing the videotape by cable news station New York 1. The tape shows Keiner with his lips wrapped around a dog toward the end of the count-

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down that preceded the word "Go!" Keiner denied making a false start, saying, "I did not start before anybody else."

Contest organizers say videotape reviews are barred by International Federation of Hot Dog Eating rules.

"Although it appears that Keiner jumped the gun, the decision of the judges is final," Nathan's spokesman George Shea said.

Southeast Texas woman wins Miss Texas USA

LUBBOCK (AP) — A 21-year-old Houston woman is the new Miss Texas USA.

Miss Southeast Texas, Heather Ogilvie, was among 104 contestants competing for the title in Monday night's pageant at Lubbock Municipal Auditorium. "I'm thrilled," Ms. Ogilvie said in an interview after the pageant. "Texas has got the most prestigious pageants, and to have this title is such an honor."

As Miss Texas USA, Ms. Ogilvie said she plans to promote literacy and help victims of domestic violence.

She also wins a 1999 Ford Mustang, a seven-day Caribbean cruise, a full-length fur coat, jewelry, cosmetics and many other prizes. She will represent Texas in the Miss USA pageant.

Ms. Ogilvie and her sister, Valerie, were both contestants at this year's pageant. Valerie Ogilvie, Miss Galveston, shared the spotlight with her sister for a brief time when both were among 12 semifinalists.

Miss North Harris County Kristina Martinez was the first runner-up. The other top five finalists were: second runner-up, Miss San Antonio, Vanessa Cedotal; third runner-up, Miss College Station, Kristie Keeton; and fourth runner-up, Miss Missouri City, Candace Jackson.

SUPPORT GROUPS

TUESDAY

•Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends support group for parents who have experienced death of a child, 7:30 p.m. first Tuesday in February, April, June, August, October and December in the Family Life Center Building, First Baptist Church, 705 West Marcy. Enter by southeast door. Call 267-2769.

•Cancer support group, first Tuesday of each month, 7-8 p.m., VA Medical Center room 213. Call Sue Jones, 263-7361 ext. 7179 or 264-7518.

•"Most Excellent Way," an addiction support group, 3610 Dixon, call 264-9900.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting.

•Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas will have Dr. Ronald Meyer, D.Min., LCDC, LMFT, specializing in individual and marriage counseling. Attention Deficit Disorder and chemical depen-

TEXAS LOTTERY

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

dency, available for clients in Midland. Appointments for counseling services are made by calling 1-800-329-4144.

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

•Innovators in glyconutritional are an independent group focusing on sickness prevention and management utilizing non-toxic simple saccharides to help our body heal itself. Training sessions are the second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at 1909 S. Gregg. For more information call 267-3013 or 267-2424.

WEDNESDAY

•Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.

•Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.) Step study.

BRIEFS

THE BIG SPRING EVENING Lions Club will have free eyeglasses for all adults Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon at the Big Spring Evening Lions Club Lingo building, 1607 East Third.

All adults needing eyeglasses who don't have the income to purchase the exam or glasses are welcome. The recycled eyeglasses are donated by the community as a service project of the Lions.

The Lions group offers the eyeglasses the second Saturday of each month. For more information call Janis Dean at 267-3068.

MARKETS

July cotton 49.80 cents, up 10 points; Aug. crude 19.64, down 5 points; cash hogs steady at 26; cash steers steady at 54 even; July lean hog futures 41.20, down 55 points; Aug. live cattle futures 62.85, up 35 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation.

Other markets were unavailable by press time.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. today.

•DENICE ECKERT, 27, was arrested in the 500 block of Westover for public intoxication.

•DAVID FIERRO, 26, was arrested in the 1300 block of Birdwell for public intoxication.

•PAT RIOS, 28, was arrested at Abilene and Airport for fleeing.

•CARLOS FLOREZ, 40, was arrested in the 1600 block of Settles for public intoxication.

•RAFAEL LOPEZ, 57, was arrested in the 400 block of N. Gregg for public intoxication.

•HEATHER WEGNER, 20, was arrested for driving under the influence.

•THEFT was reported in the 2300 block of Wasson; 300 block of Owens, at 18th and Gregg; 200 block of W. Marcy; 1800 block of Alabama; 1900 block of E. 11th; and the 300 block of

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Clinton embarks on 'opportunity' tour of American poverty

WASHINGTON (AP) — At a time of prolonged national prosperity, President Clinton embarks this week on an "opportunity tour" exploring patches of stubborn and desperate poverty from Appalachia to Watts.

The president aims to "shine the light on opportunity" on the potential billion-dollar profits he says such places can offer investors while at the same time unshackling millions from the bonds of poverty.

"It's a real dream of mine to show this can be done," he said. Clinton will visit places whose emblems are boarded-up

stores and unpaved roads, where people live in crowded shacks without plumbing, where health care can fall to Third World levels, where roadside garbage often goes uncollected and where unemployment stands at many times the national average of 4.3 percent.

In short, these are communities where the clanging bells of Wall Street's economic boom are seldom heard.

"No matter how good you are with words, you could not describe this. You get a sense of a total lack of hope," Housing Secretary Andrew Cuomo said, recalling his own visit to Pine

Ridge, S.D. — the poorest census tract in the nation — where unemployment is 73 percent and many people don't have running water.

Pine Ridge, the Ogala Sioux reservation, is on Clinton's itinerary. The White House says he will be the first president since Calvin Coolidge to visit an Indian reservation.

Seeking support for his "New Markets" initiative, Clinton will travel to impoverished communities in Kentucky, Mississippi, Illinois, South Dakota, Arizona and California accompanied by corporate CEOs, local officials and mem-

bers of Congress.

Clinton's trek will take him to Clarksdale, in Mississippi's impoverished Delta region; East St. Louis, Ill. where a new Ace Hardware store is seen as an economic boon; South Phoenix, Ariz., where the Hispanic community needs access to capital and finally to Anaheim, Calif., home of Disneyland, for a conference with CEOs on finding ways to hire disadvantaged young people.

The president will take with him a stack of announcements on actions his administration — and corporate America — are ready to take to address poverty

conditions and leverage investment.

Clinton's pitch: Corporations should treat neglected parts of America as untapped markets and invest in them just as they invest in foreign countries in the developing world.

"There's a lot of money to be made out there," he said.

"It may be finally something whose time has come," the president said in interviews last week in which he asserted there are business opportunities in poor communities that can be measured "in tens of billions of dollars."

The challenge is just as impos-

ing.

Forty-four of the 49 Appalachian counties in Kentucky, for example, are listed as distressed based on poverty and unemployment rates. In several, a majority of the residents live with inadequate water and sewer disposal systems. It's an area where poverty rates approach close to 50 percent, and fewer than 40 percent of adults have a high school education.

Clinton said history shows that the opportunities in such places cannot be forced by government or industry working alone.

Legislature's price tag rises; group says it's not enough

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas legislators spent about \$20 million — more than \$12,000 for each bill passed — during their five-month session, continuing a steady increase in such spending but not yet reaching what at least one government watchdog group contends is enough for effective decision-making.

Saving money on the legislative budget costs lawmakers more later, according to Public Citizen in Texas.

"They need and deserve more staff and information and resources to make their decisions," Tom "Smitty" Smith, head of Public Citizen, told the Austin American-Statesman in today's editions.

He said that Texas' 150 House members and 31 senators often rely on lobbyists and special interest groups that provide incomplete or misleading information.

"Given the relatively short period of time that our Legislature has to debate multibil-

lion-dollar budgets and policies that literally affect the rest of the nation, it's shortsighted to keep them on such a tight budget," said Smith. "We ought to provide our legislators with the tools they need."

The former legislative staffer said he has seen lawmakers and their staff members rely on lobbyists for information about bills because legislators have inadequate information in advance of voting on the measures.

With final bills still coming in, lawmakers spent almost \$1 for each Texan, or more than \$3,000 for each of the almost 6,000 bills filed during the five-month session that began Jan. 12 and ended on May 31. The total amounts to more than \$12,000 for each of 1,638 bills that passed, including some resolutions.

Brenda Erickson, a senior research analyst for the National Conference of State Legislatures, said legislative spending

remains at less than 1 percent of the overall budget in every state including Texas, despite the increases.

"The reality is that legislative branch expenditures, compared to other government expenditures, are very small," she said.

In Texas, the amount spent on the Legislature — determined during debates on the overall state budget — has steadily increased but is less than half the amount lawmakers set aside for all legislative spending from Sept. 1, 1998 to Aug. 31, 1999.

"The Legislature meets infrequently, spends frugally, works effectively and then goes home to live under the laws that they pass," said Ray Sullivan, spokeswoman for Lt. Gov. Rick Perry, the Senate's presiding officer.

"The Texas Legislature accomplishes more in 140 days than many states do in a year."

Early studies prompt new hope for way to attack cystic fibrosis

WASHINGTON (AP) — Every day for a week, Dannon Baker swallowed a little white pill as part of an experiment to see if a new type of therapy will finally attack the cause of deadly cystic fibrosis rather than just treat its symptoms.

Studies of three drugs called "gene assist therapies" are in their early stages, experts caution. But, if they work, Baker and other patients could expect more normal lives by using a daily medicine to control a genetic defect that causes cystic fibrosis.

"This is a great time," says Dr. Pamela Zeitlin of Johns Hopkins University, which is testing two of the gene-assist drugs. "None of these drugs are cures — they would have to be continually taken. But it's a very good idea."

That promise led the 24-year-old Baker to volunteer for the study of one drug candidate, a relative of caffeine called CPX.

"Obviously, taking a medicine for a week isn't going to change my life," said the Atlanta woman, who, like the scientists, will not learn the study's results until fall. "But

down the road, it might."

Cystic fibrosis afflicts about 30,000 American children and young adults. The disease attacks patients' lungs with a thick mucus and most die from lung damage or infection. CF also harms digestion and vitamin absorption by clogging other organs, and causes patients to excrete high levels of salt through sweat.

Treatments to fight lung infections and improve nutrition have improved care dramatically. But they treat only symptoms.

In the majority of patients, CF's damage stems from a single genetic defect: It skews a protein called CFTR that is responsible for balancing the salt content of cells lining the lungs and certain other organs.

CFTR is supposed to travel to a cell's surface to create openings, or channels, for chloride ions to exit the cell. But if CFTR is mutated, it dies before ever reaching the surface, so chloride cannot escape. The chloride then mixes with sodium inside cells and a resulting salt buildup prompts the dangerous mucus formation.

Law requires defense to disclose witnesses

AUSTIN (AP) — Requiring defendants to share their witness list with prosecutors is a critical step toward ensuring victims' rights in a trial, a state senator said Monday.

"It is only fair that both sides have adequate time to prepare for the questioning of these witnesses," said Sen. Eddie Lucio, D-Brownsville. Lucio sponsored the measure approved this year by the Legislature.

The bill is designed to allow prosecutors time to prepare for expert testimony, Lucio said.

"We are talking about highly technical testimony with expert witnesses ... and since jurors are not allowed to ask the questions, they must rely on the thorough questioning by the attorney's on both sides of the case," he said.

Gov. George W. Bush on Monday held a ceremonial bill

signing for the bill, which he officially signed into law last month. The signing ceremony was closed to the public.

Requiring defense disclosure brings Texas in line with every other state and laws governing federal trial, Lucio said. Texas previously only required prosecutors to disclose their witness list to defendants.

Also included in the signing ceremony were bills to eliminate appeal bonds for people convicted of violent offenses or who receive sentences of 10 years or longer and to increase the number of training hours child care providers must receive on what causes brain injuries among infants.

Attending the ceremony were Mark and Kathy Dittman, of Harlingen, whose 2-year-old daughter Maggie died while in the care of a baby sitter in 1998

after being shaken.

The baby sitter, Alma Quintanilla, was convicted of injury to a child and sentenced to 10 years in prison but remains free on bond while she appeals.

The Dittmans lobbied lawmakers to pass the bills.

"This sort of abuse happens

not only statewide, but nationwide," said Mark Dittman. "We didn't think it could happen to us. We decided to use our considerable passion and energy to not only help prevent child abuse, but to help prosecutors convict and sentence people who commit crimes against children."

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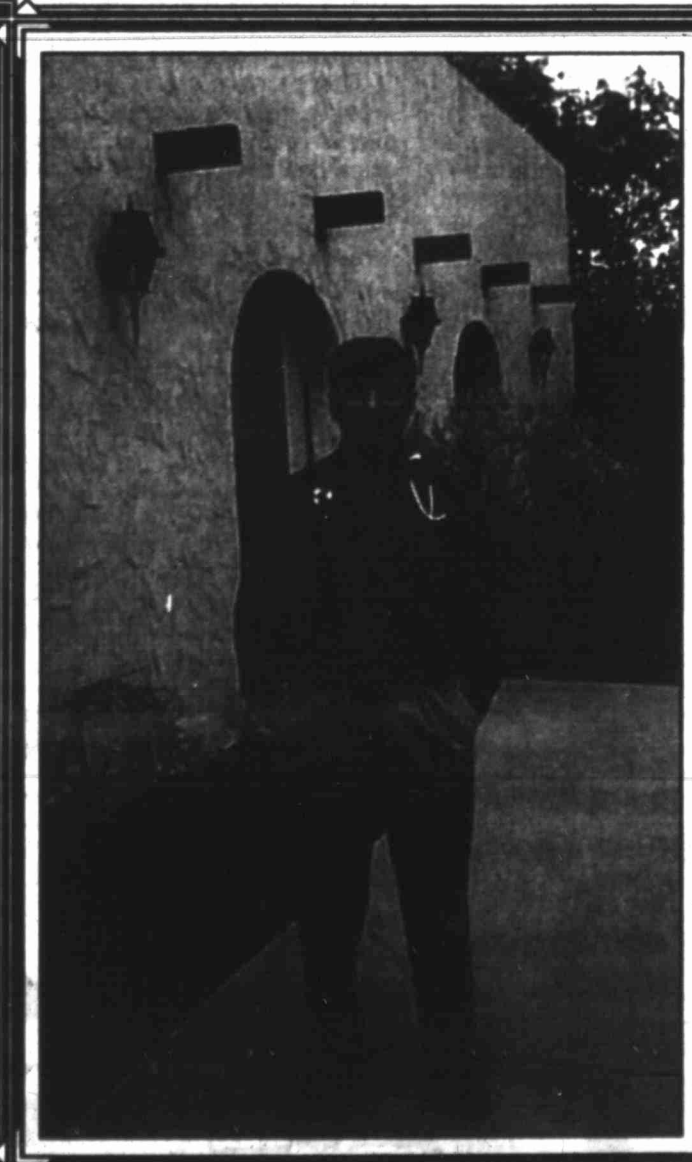
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OUR VIEWS

Summer youth programs add to city's sparkle

This summer in the community has brought at least two opportunities for our young people to continue their learning and have some fun at the same time.

Kids' College, now in its final week at Howard College, gives kids ages 6-13 the chance to explore science, careers, scrapbooking, astronomy, art and other subjects. They learn with hands-on projects aimed at sparking their interest, such as crafts that they can take home and share with their families.

Each year, organizers of Kids' College manage to create another interesting program of courses. Some of their students return each time, while new ones are always joining in. Our thanks to the organizers, especially program director Charla Lewis, for providing this opportunity.

Also, the Howard County Library last week put the finishing touches on another successful Summer Reading Program. Beginning shortly after school ended in May, the program offers movies, dress-up days and special projects aimed at encouraging reading during the summer.

On Thursday, some of the 95 kids who completed the program celebrated with a party, honoring the 2,100 books they either read or had read to them during the program. Any way you look at it, this library program was an unqualified success, and for that we salute Howard County Children's Librarian Karen McIntyre.

These are just two of the programs that help make our community a wonderful place to live and raise a family. If your children weren't able to participate in either this year, aim for next year, when they will have another chance for summer learning and fun.

OTHER VIEWS

Given the growing focus on healthy lifestyles in the 1990s, vitamins have enjoyed popularity among Americans.

What Americans didn't know was that five large companies had formed a cartel that set artificially high vitamin prices. Those colluding companies now will have to pay one of the largest federal fines in history.

The case is reminiscent of the late 19th-century robber barons who became fabulously wealthy by taking unfair advantage of high consumer demand for oil, steel and railroad.

Such behavior is a corruption of capitalism by companies that find ways to create market inequality whereby they control prices and supply. Consumers in a high-demand period are at their mercy.

Executives from the large price-fixing firms admitted to having regular meetings about how to control the vitamin market and maintain their cartel.

Swiss pharmaceutical company F. Hoffman-LaRoche has agreed to pay a \$500 million fine. The German company FAS AG will pay \$225

million. Two U.S. firms, UCAR International and Archer Daniels Midland, along with a German company, SGL Carbon, will each pay about \$100 million in fines.

Every American consumer was impacted because the price fixing not only affected vitamins in pill form, but also in the form of additives to other products, such as milk and bread.

If prices reach a fairer level in the wake of this trust-busting, the resulting benefits could be enormous in their scope. Vitamins will be more accessible to Americans and perhaps in other countries as well, which may result in healthier people. That could also lead to lower infant mortality rates, longer lives and a better standard of living.

Lower prices will leave Americans with more money to spend on things other than high-priced vitamins.

Collusion is bad business. The companies involved were rightfully forced to swallow a bitter pill, and the judgment, we hope, will serve as a warning to other would-be cartels.

THE-VICTORIA ADVOCATE

In 1899, it was debated where we'd be now

By LAWRENCE L. KNUXTON
Associated Press Writer

A century ago this summer, a boundlessly optimistic, militarily triumphant and relatively prosperous America began to face the rapidly approaching 20th century with totally fearless predictions.

Many Americans envisioned the last century of the millennium as a century of peace and universal brotherhood.

Others saw snares in the rapid advance of technology. The most jingoistic saw the United States inflating until it held sway over both American continents, moving all the way south as well as all the way north.

In their enthusiasm, few heeded the cautionary words of British historian James Bryce, who warned in 1893 that "the coasts of history are strewn with the wrecks of predictions ..."

As the 20th century opened, the United States had 45 states and 76 million citizens.

"Following an extended economic depression, the nation's leaders boasted the first treasury surplus in six years, a new overseas empire and the opportunities for progress through technology," writes historian Richard A. Baker.

In the fall of 1900, President McKinley, the commander in chief who had presided over the defeat of Spain, the liberation of Cuba from Spanish rule and the occupation of the Philippines, would be elected to a second term. New York Gov. Theodore Roosevelt, the self-promoting hero of San Juan Hill, would come to Washington as McKinley's vice president.

Baker, who is the historian of the U.S. Senate, noted in a paper delivered before the American Political Science Association in 1997 that the optimism was layered with the turmoil of swift industrialization, large-scale immigration, territorial expansion, social unrest and political corruption.

Sen. Chauncey Depew, a New York Republican, said in 1899 that he feared the productive energies released by the power of invention, steam engines and electricity would create a massive surplus "which endangers the health, happiness and lives of the people of Europe and America."

Baker noted that even Bryce, predictably abandoning his fear of prediction, warned that the first 30 years of the new century would produce increasingly scarce natural resources resulting in soil exhaustion,

high food prices, depressed wages, social unrest and "pernicious experiments in legislation."

But most commentary on the future tended to be hopeful.

The New York Times concluded that as the 19th century had seen "vast strides" in scientific advancement and "the application of the forces of nature to the service of man," the new century would witness a cooperative United States and Europe moving toward "an ultimate harmony of interests."

The Chicago Tribune editorialized on Jan. 1, 1901, that the 20th century would blossom into "a century of humanity (bringing) a keener realization of the brotherhood of man."

"We are now at peace with the world, and it is my fervent prayer that if differences arise between us and other powers they may be settled by peaceful arbitration and that hereafter we may be spared the horrors of war," McKinley said in his inaugural address.

There seemed to be no suspicion that the new century would so vastly expand the concept of "the horrors of war."

The futurists indulged themselves at McKinley's inaugural, looking ahead a century to the inaugural of 2001,

They predicted a century of "aeroplanes" and even "aeroyachts" two years before the Wright Brothers demonstrated the practicality of manned flight.

Their vision, applied with at least a pinch of humor, was spelled out in the official program for McKinley's inaugural on March 4, 1901.

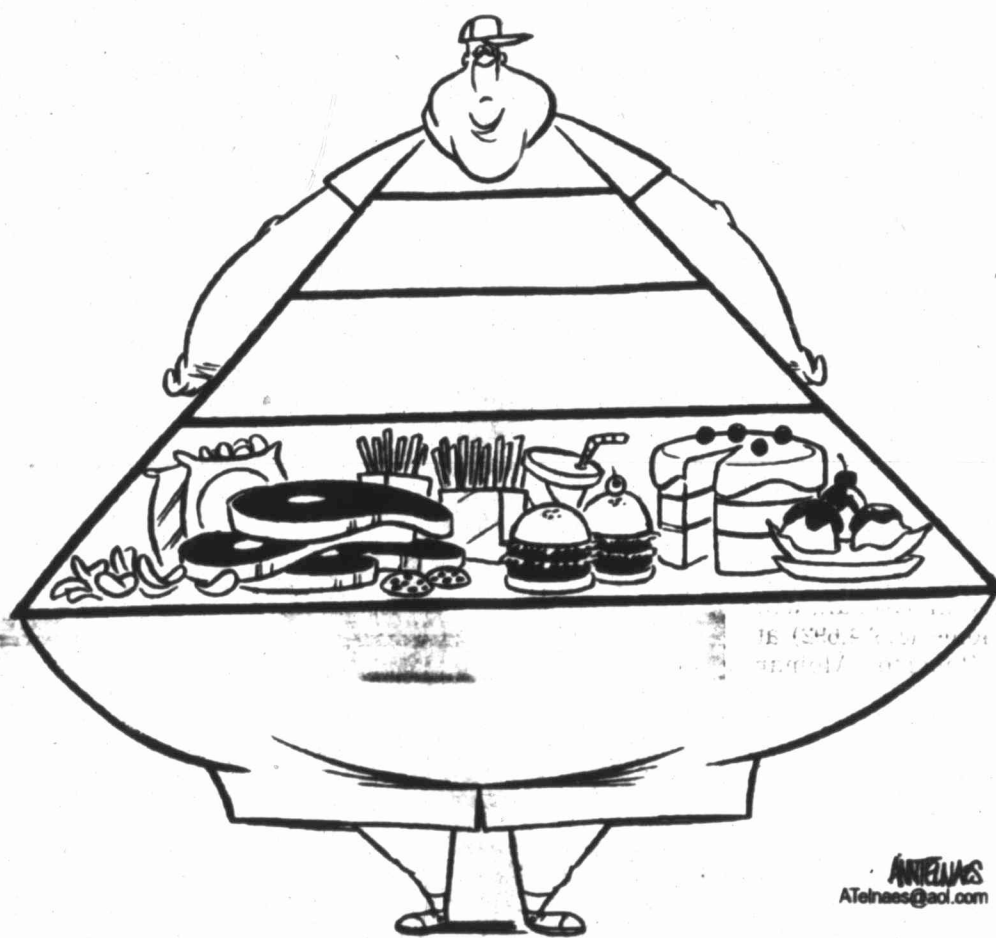
It included a federal union of 118 states stretching over the entire land mass of North and South America. The new president would hail from the state of Ontario. His middle name would be McKinley. He would propose in his inaugural address that work begin at once to shift the direction of the Arctic current off Labrador "to allow the gulf Stream to change the climate."

In a little more than six months from that day of hope, the cutting edge of time drew blood.

McKinley was assassinated. Theodore Roosevelt became president and the future changed, as it often has, in truly unpredictable ways.

Historian Bryce, who later became British ambassador to Washington, could have repeated himself.

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Many avenues for politicians to help children

Politicians seem to have discovered children and profess to be worried about them.

Various nostrums for saving children will likely be the main theme of next year's political campaigns.

Here's a few the politicians will not want to consider:

Start a new campaign to get mothers out of the work force.

Believe it or not, there was huge public campaign at the turn of the century against women working, not in order to oppress women as the feminists like to think, but in recognition of the importance of motherhood.

Dumping newborns in a day-care facility until the state day-

care system (commonly called K through 12 education) kicks in is one very bad practice. That's not to say all children who spend their formative years in institutional care eight to 10 hours a day will go bad. It is to say it is not the optimum situation by a long shot.

Of course, the obvious thing politicians could do would be to lighten the tax burden. When an American family has to labor practically half a year just to pay taxes, it's small wonder both parents are forced to work to maintain any kind of a standard of living.

Politicians need to reform the monetary system. Just because the inflation rate goes down doesn't mean that inflation is no longer a problem. Inflation is cumulative and never evenly distributed. In many categories, wages have not inflated at the same rate as prices.

Divorce laws ought to be toughened. No-fault divorce, while well-intended, has had bad, unforeseen consequences,

one of which is to encourage folks to think of marriage as a casual experiment. Kids need a papa and a mama, and there's no getting around it.

Politicians ought to look carefully at banning the practice of doping American children. About 6 million American kids, including, by the way, several of those involved in school shootings, are on mind-altering drugs.

Restless kids, who used to be calmed down with a hickory stick, are now given dope, and the government encourages it by providing a subsidy in some cases. One of the consequences of dumping Christian morality is to view behavior as a disease to be cured by drugs. It relieves everyone of responsibility and provides profits to the drug companies and jobs for the psychological priesthood. Unfortunately, it creates problems instead of solving them.

Politicians could also engineer a real crackdown on pornography and start a real

jawboning campaign to embarrass the entertainment industry into cleaning up its act. There is no such thing as a children's world and an adult world. Both inhabit the same world. Rating systems are just an excuse to continue intellectual and moral pollution and to slyly shift responsibility away from the producers.

There's no mystery about how to inculcate moral standards in children. The human race has been doing it for millennia. Moral standards and acceptable behavior have to be presented to children as absolutes, not as topics for discussion. Posting the Ten Commandments on a wall is a political gesture, not a solution for a child struggling to decide that great human question, how shall I live?

Finally, politicians could set a better example for children by living a virtuous life themselves.

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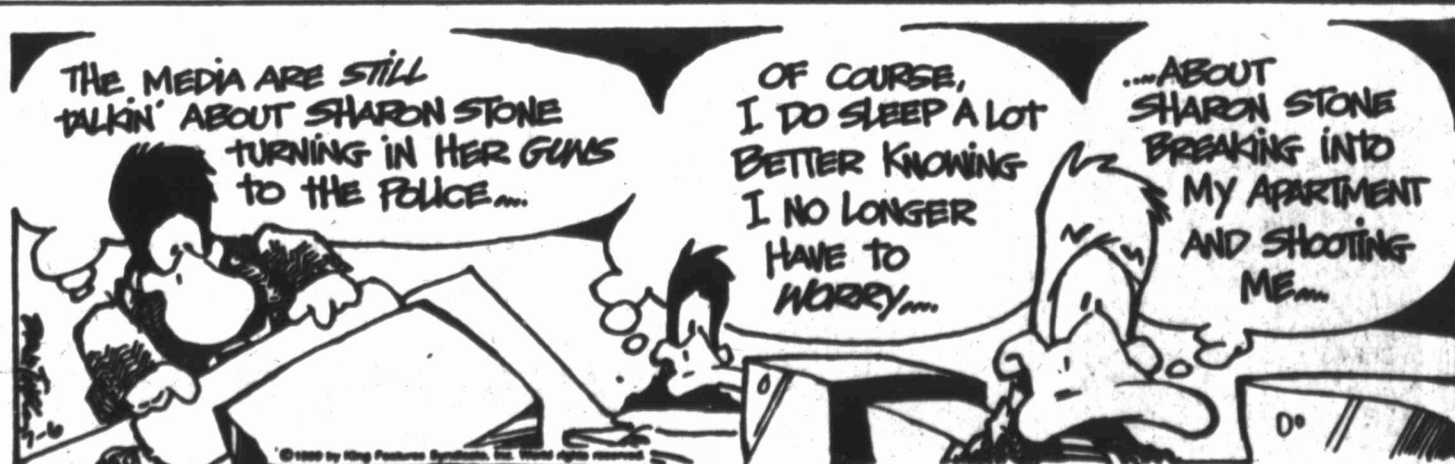


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IN BRIEF

Junior League All-Stars open touney with win

Big Spring's Junior League All-Stars opened District 3 play in Midland on Monday, romping to an 11-2 win over Greenwood.

Brandon Mendoza allowed just three Greenwood hits and struck out 13 batters in taking the win, while he and his teammates pounded out 14 Big Spring hits.

Ryan Villanueva, Eric Chavez, Wesley Longorio and Josh Helmstetter led the way offensively.

Villanueva provided a triple and a single, while Chavez ripped two doubles and a single. Helmstetter and Longorio both had three singles.

Drew Vizcaino, Mendoza, Cody Bryant and Taylor Leatham all added singles.

The All-Stars will now face Midland Christian/Mid-City at 5:30 this afternoon at Christensen Stadium.

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.

Tournament, skins game scheduled for weekend

The Chicano Golf Association of Big Spring's annual Golf Scholarship Tournament and Skins Game has been scheduled for Saturday and Sunday 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.

For more information, call 264-2366.

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 event will be \$100 per team.

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

LOCAL GAMES

TODAY DISTRICT 3 LITTLE LEAGUE

6 p.m.
• South Odessa vs. Midland Eastern at American League park.
• Lamesa vs. Big Spring American at National League park.

• Greenwood vs. Big Spring International at International League park.
• Big Bend vs. Midland Tower at Coahoma.

8 p.m.
• Midland Northern vs. Floyd Gwin at American League park.
• Coahoma vs. North Ector at National League park.

• Big Spring National vs. Sherwood at International League park.
• North Central vs. Kellus Turner at Coahoma.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
8:40 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Oakland A's, KBST-AM 1490.

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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
6:35 p.m. — Florida Marlins at Atlanta Braves, TBS, Ch. 11.
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6:30 p.m. — New York Liberty at Washington Mystics, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Oakland's Hudson avenges only loss in 4-2 win over Rangers

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)—Rookie Tim Hudson didn't do anything differently this time around. He just made the right pitches.

Hudson (4-1) allowed one run in seven innings and John Jaha drove in the go-ahead runs as the Oakland Athletics defeated the Texas Rangers 4-2 Monday night.

Jason Giambi went 4-for-4 and Tony Phillips had two hits, including career No. 2,000, as the Athletics won for just the fourth time in 12 games.

Hudson's only professional loss of the season — he was 7-0 in the minors before coming to Oakland on June 7 — came at Texas 12 days ago. He allowed five of the first nine hitters he faced to score.

Monday, Hudson gave up a run in the first, then shut down the Rangers'

offense the rest of the way. "I spotted the ball a little more tonight," he said. "They were still patient and didn't swing at pitches outside the strike zone, but I was able to make pitches when I needed."

Hudson impressed Texas manager Johnny Oates.

"He's got some giddy up," said Oates. "This is the second time we've seen him and he changed up well compared to the first time. We had him on the ropes, but after that we didn't smell anything."

Hudson gave up five hits, struck out seven and lowered his ERA to 2.54. Oakland turned a season-high four double plays in support of Hudson, who made his sixth career start.

"I'd rather not be in that situation, but any time you get double plays it makes

it a lot easier," said Hudson. "The defense was solid."

John Burkett (2-4) got his first loss since May 17 despite pitching 5 2-3 strong innings. He had allowed only two runs in his previous 18 innings before the A's scored four times in the sixth.

"I thought I threw some good pitches. Jaha just dinked it out to left field," said Burkett.

Jaha's single, which scored Phillips and Ben Grieve, ended Burkett's night. Matt Stairs added an RBI single off Rangers reliever Mike Munoz, and Ramon Hernandez followed with an RBI single off Tim Crabbtree.

"That was a big knock for Jaha," said A's manager Art Howe. "It put the momentum in our dugout and it seemed to spread."

The Rangers closed to 4-2 on Ivan Rodriguez's solo homer in the eighth off reliever Doug Jones, but Billy Taylor got the final four outs for his 20th save.

Texas outfielder Juan Gonzalez, who asked not to be selected as a reserve for the AL All-Star team because he's upset at not being voted a starter, got his 77th RBI when he singled home Mark McLemore in the first inning. McLemore opened the game with a double.

Oakland didn't get a runner past second base against Burkett through five innings.

Notes: The Rangers are leading their division at the halfway point for the fifth time in club history. ... Rodriguez was voted the AL's starting catcher in the All-Star game for the seventh consecutive year.

Indians rule AL All-Star team

Griffey leads fan balloting once again

NEW YORK (AP) — Nomar Garciaparra and four Cleveland Indians proved there are different ways to successfully campaign for an All-Star game.

The Boston Red Sox went to the Internet to get Garciaparra elected as the American League's starting shortstop Monday. The Indians used the highest attendance in the majors to send nearly half their lineup to Fenway Park on July 13.

"It's just that different cities do different things," said AL manager Joe Torre, whose World Series champion New York Yankees had no starters elected for the second straight year. "I think they do more politicking and lobbying in other ballparks."

The Indians, who also have the best record in baseball, will start Jim Thome (1,364,692) at first base, Roberto Alomar (2,793,891) at second, and Kenny Lofton (1,676,595) and Manny Ramirez (1,898,430) in the outfield.

They also had four second-place finishers and David Justice was the fourth outfielder.

But in the biggest shakeup of the final week, Garciaparra overcame a 30,655-vote deficit to pass the Yankees' Derek Jeter and Cleveland's Omar Vizquel.

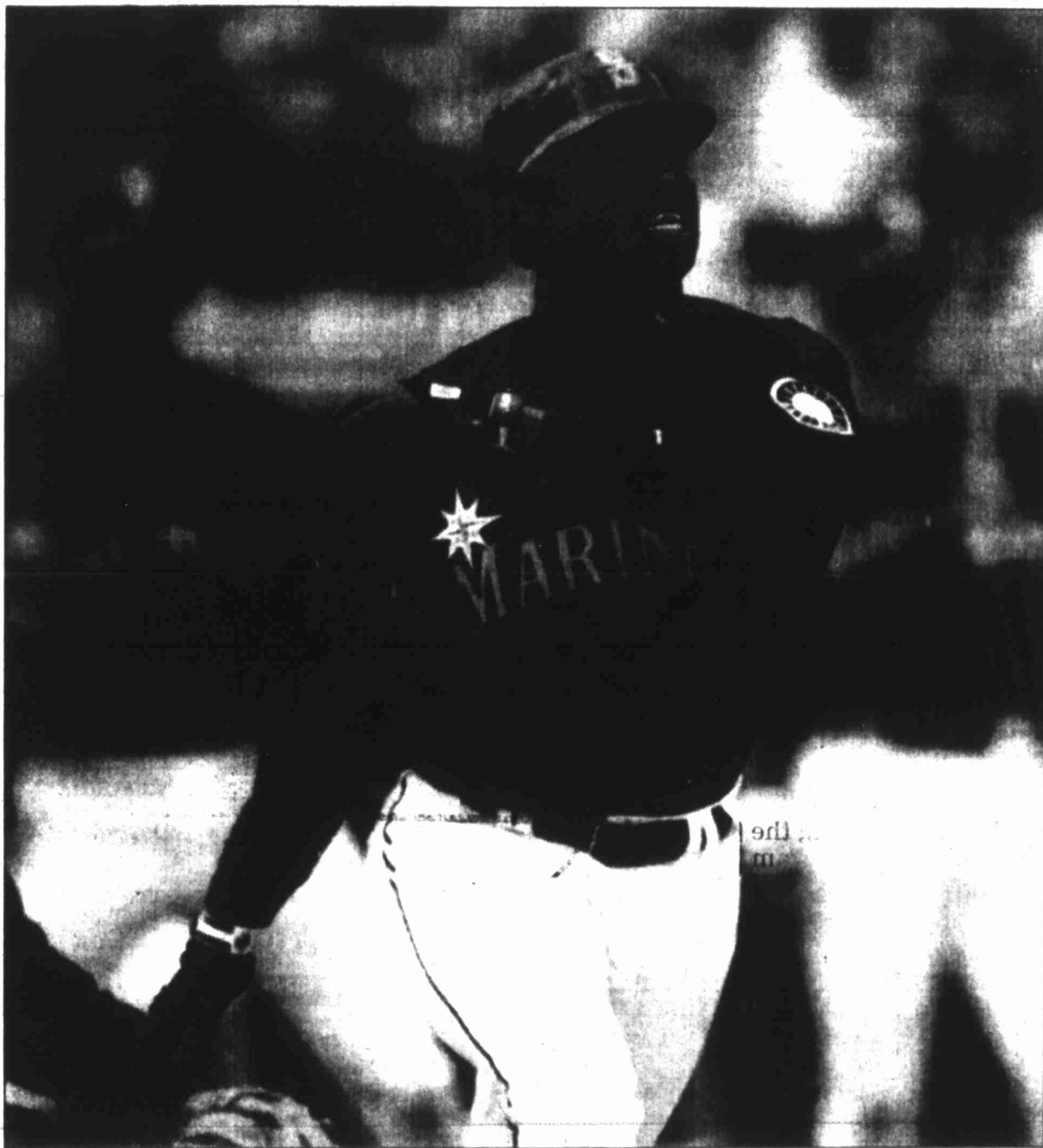
"I'm probably as shocked as you guys," Garciaparra said. "It's an honor. It's nice when it's at home."

Paul Beeston, baseball's chief operating officer, said last Thursday none of the Internet votes had been counted until the last week. Fans were allowed to vote 22 times on the Internet — the average number of home games for each team during the balloting.

Garciaparra apparently benefited from Boston's aggressive campaigning on-line. Garciaparra finished with 1,089,974 votes, 20,466 ahead of Jeter (1,069,528). Vizquel was third with 1,038,362.

"The fans are going to vote for who they want to see," Jeter said. "I don't think you can go wrong with a number of shortstops in our league."

Ken Griffey Jr. is the leading All-Star vote-getter for the fourth straight year and seventh time overall. Elected to start for the 10th consecutive time in the outfield, he got 2,918,055 votes.



Ken Griffey Jr., pictured here after hitting a home run during a 1995 exhibition game, led all American League players in the fans' All-Star balloting for the fourth consecutive year.

"Fans want to see their favorite players and guys they think are deserving of going. So when they choose you, it's an honor," Griffey said.

The rest of the AL starting lineup: Texas' Ivan Rodriguez (1,897,774) at catcher, Baltimore's Cal Ripken (1,285,728) at third base and Tampa Bay's Jose Canseco (1,664,282) at designated hitter.

"I've come full circle," said Canseco, who made the team for the first time since 1992. "I went from being the best baseball player in the world, hands down by far at one point, to more or less almost an out-cast."

Six of the nine starters also were picked by fans last year. Ramirez took the place of Texas' Juan Gonzalez, who said he won't play this year because he is not starting, and Garciaparra made it ahead of Seattle's Alex Rodriguez. There was no DH last season.

Rodriguez will make his

eight straight All-Star appearance and Alomar was elected for the eighth time.

Ripken will make his 17th consecutive All-Star appearance and 16th straight start. Ripken, who led balloting in 1992 and '95, ties Rod Carew as the only players elected to start 15 times — in 1988 Alan Trammell was elected but got hurt and Ripken started in his place.

"There was a lot of uncertainty at the start of the year, with my father passing away and a major injury," Ripken said. "I was able to heal up physically, and it looks like I was able to heal up mentally."

Shortstop was the most competitive position, with the three teams actively campaigning. Torre argued Jeter's case through the media, the Red Sox stumped for Garciaparra on the Internet and the Indians flashed nightly scoreboard messages at Jacobs Field urging fans to push Vizquel over the

top. In the end, it was the modern technique, and Garciaparra's performance, that won out. Garciaparra is hitting .366, with 14 homers and 57 RBIs.

Jeter is second in the AL with a .372 average and has 14 homers and 58 RBIs. Vizquel is batting .336 average with two homers, 35 RBIs and 17 stolen bases.

"Who's to say who should start," Garciaparra said. "When I look at Derek, looking at what he's doing this year, it's unbelievable. If you ask me, I believe he deserves to start."

Griffey gets \$100,000 bonus for getting elected and having the most AL votes, and will get an additional \$25,000 if he's the major league leader. Ripken also gets a \$100,000 bonus.

Alomar, Garciaparra, Canseco, Lofton, Ramirez, Rodriguez and Thome each get \$50,000.

National League starters will be released today.

Gullikson hopes U.S. continues to dominate

BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP) — This has already been a pretty good month for American tennis. U.S. Davis Cup captain Tom Gullikson would like to see the success continue.

A day after an American sweep of the Wimbledon singles titles, Gullikson was at the Longwood Cricket Club, the site of the United States' Davis Cup quarterfinal against Australia on July 16-18.

"(Sunday) was one of the greatest days in the history of American tennis," Gullikson said Monday. "So we're hoping to ride the momentum into the Davis Cup."

Gullikson added Alex O'Brien to a roster that already included Jim Courier, Todd Martin and Pete Sampras. Sampras and fellow American Lindsay Davenport won their respective Wimbledon singles titles on Sunday.

O'Brien, of Amarillo, Texas, has eight career doubles titles, including one at Queen's Club last month in which he and Sebastian Lareau beat Australians Mark Woodforde and Todd Woodbridge. O'Brien will be making his third Davis Cup appearance, with a 1-2 career record.

He could face the "Woodies" — Woodforde and Woodbridge — again in the Davis Cup. The question is whether he would be teamed with Sampras, or whether Gullikson has more in mind for Sampras — quite possibly the best player in tennis history.

"You'll have to wait and see," Gullikson said. "It will give you guys something to write about."

Sampras originally balked at joining the team because Gullikson had asked for a full-year commitment. He later agreed to sign on but said he would play only doubles so as not to upset those who were there from the start.

Still, Martin said he would sit out singles to make room for Sampras. But Gullikson said there are other things to consider.

"Pete's feelings, Todd's feelings, Jim's feelings, Alex's feelings," the captain said. "We just didn't want someone jumping in for this historic tie. ... He (Sampras) was very sensitive that Jim and Todd have been there every time for us."

The decision doesn't have to be made until the day before the matches. The winner of the best-of-5 quarterfinal will advance to the semifinals against Russia or Slovakia.

Griffey moves halfway to Hank with home run No. 378

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Halfway to Hank.

He's not even 30, and already Ken Griffey Jr. is on the second half of the journey to Hank Aaron's record of 755 home runs.

"I can't worry about it. That's not what I play this game for," Griffey said Monday night after his first-inning solo shot started a seven-homer night for the Seattle Mariners in a 10-0 rout of the Anaheim Angels.

Griffey, who had 56 homers in each of the previous two seasons, got his 28th of the year, leaving him two behind league-leading Jose Canseco.

Griffey reached 378 homers in 5,539 at-bats. Aaron, who played 23 seasons, hit finished with 12,364 at-bats.

"If there's one guy who can break that record, it's Ken Griffey Jr. There's no doubt in my mind," said Seattle's Alex Rodriguez, who homered twice and went 4-for-5.

Griffey's drive struck halfway up the right-field foul pole and tied Norm Cash for 40th on the career list.

"I just try to help our ballclub any way I can," Griffey said. "If it goes out, it goes out. If it doesn't, it doesn't. The important thing is that we win ballgames. Ever since I was a little kid, I've had one goal — to win a world championship."

Rodriguez said the Mariners' move to Safeco Field later this month might slow Griffey's approach to the record. The new ballpark, which opens July 15, doesn't have the inviting right-field porch the Kingdome provided.

In other American League games, Baltimore beat New York 9-1, Boston beat Tampa Bay 4-2 and Oakland beat Texas 4-2.

In National League games, it was St. Louis 1, Arizona 0; Cincinnati 5, Houston 2; Chicago 5, Pittsburgh 2; Milwaukee 5, Philadelphia 0; New York 2, Montreal 1; Atlanta 6, Florida 5; Colorado 8, Los Angeles 4; and San Francisco 4, San Diego 1.

At Anaheim, Edgar Martinez also homered twice as Seattle tied its team record for home runs in the game. Russ Davis and John Mabry also connected.

Jeff Fassero (4-8) allowed three hits in eight innings and struck out 10, including Darin Erstad and Todd Greene three times each. Paul Abbott finished with a hitless ninth.

Shigetoshi Hasegawa (1-3) gave up four

runs and six hits in 2 1-3 innings.

Orioles 9, Yankees 1

Cal Ripken celebrated another All-Star election with his 1,000th career extra-base hit.

Ripken, elected earlier in the day to make his 17th straight All-Star appearance, hit a two-run homer and a double to reach the extra-base milestone.

B.J. Surhoff, hoping to get picked as a reserve for his first All-Star game, hit his 20th homer, singled twice and drove in four runs, giving him nine RBIs in two games. He also made an outstanding catch in left field to preserve a 4-1 lead in the sixth.

Mike Mussina (10-4) improved to 4-8 against New York as the visiting Orioles won their second straight over the Yankees.

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Opportunity strikes! Hard work brings many rewards. Doors open, one after another. Be open to change and dynamic growth. Break past self-imposed limitations and restrictions. Use special care with finances; you or an associate could easily make mistakes. Socially, you're in demand; you make friends left and right. The world is your oyster. If you are single, love is intense and passionate. Build a friendship as well as a romance. If attached, you're living your life with such zest that you could become confused about your relationship at times. Become more grounded and think long-term. TAURUS is a pal.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
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A risk just might work. Tonight: Take a midweek break.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***Determine what works with a child or loved one. Your caring means a lot to another. You feel that you are making headway with a key project. Your sense of humor comes out with a family member. He might need you far more than you realize. Tonight: Let confusion prevail, and try to enjoy it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
***Make that important call or buy that special card. Though another might challenge you, you know exactly what you want. Remain upbeat. Keep communication flowing. Others respond to your gestures. Tonight: You don't have

to know what or where, just go with the moment.

BORN TODAY
Actress Shelly Duvall (1949), musician Ringo Starr (1940), fashion designer Pierre Cardin (1922)

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Wife seeks way to cut off harassment by other woman

DEAR ABBY: I have been married for 11 years. My husband began working the night shift, and after about 10 months of his throwing a co-worker and her family and me and my child together for barbecues, parties, etc., I found a love letter to him.

My husband and I are living in the same house until we can afford to get divorced or separated. The woman keeps calling here saying ugly things to me and calling me names. My soon-to-be-ex has told me they had only a one-time fling and they are "just friends" now. What should I do about the other woman? I want to be left alone, but it will be another month or so before I can move out.

She is married with children and her husband is willing to work it out with her, but I am pretty sure he doesn't know she is still calling here, and my husband is still calling her. I believe their affair is still going on, because once you catch a liar you never know what the truth is. — DEBBIE IN MEMPHIS

DEAR DEBBIE: It appears the "other woman" is trying to harass and stampee you. Are you sure that separation or divorce is what you really want? Perhaps counseling for you and your husband could help to heal your marriage. It has worked in countless other cases.

Since your husband says they are "just friends," tell him that you want the harassment to stop or you will ask the woman's husband to stop it. He'll see that she gets the message. If the calls continue — keep your word.

DEAR ABBY: I'm responding to the letter from "Proud Mother in Illinois," who wrote that her daughter asked for, and received, a promise ring. I agree that these rings are a good idea. They promote conversations about serious topics such as sex, drugs and alcohol.

Abby, in my high school, men as well as women wear these rings as a symbol of their morals and beliefs.

What I wish to comment on is your statement that this custom allows parents and daughters to discuss and reinforce their family values. That comment is a stereotypical example of something my age group is trying to overcome and terminate. Girls should not be the only ones expected to abstain from premarital sex; boys should be expected to do the same. It is still commonly felt that girls are regarded as "sluts" if they participate in sexual activities, but men are admired because they are "players" or "studs."

If a family has both a son and a daughter, they should instill the same morals in both of them. If their daughter should save sex for marriage, so should their son.

Abby, your comment took us back to the age of the double standard — something this generation is desperately trying to do away with. — ANONYMOUS IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR ANONYMOUS: Guilty as charged. Old habits die hard. Of course I agree there should be no double standard. I apologize for the slip of the pen and will try hard not to repeat it.

CONFIDENTIAL TO ROSE PHILLIPS IN MINNEAPOLIS:

Happy 100th birthday to the most wonderful mother-in-law a person could wish for!

DEAR ABBY: My mother passed away more than seven years ago, and on her deathbed she asked me to make sure my little sister was given a beautiful wedding, like the one she and my father had given me six weeks earlier. Of course I agreed because my sister is my very best friend and I need to honor my mother's request.

My sister is now engaged, and we are in the process of planning the wedding of her dreams. She is paying for most of it, and we're having a lot of fun. Everything went smoothly until I decided to plan and host a bridal shower before I move out of town. (I'll be 12 hours away.)

Shortly after my mother's death, my father remarried a woman his age who had never been married before. My brothers and sisters have accepted her into the family and been pleasant to her, although we do not consider her a "mother figure." We were all grown professionals at the time of my mother's death. During the past several years, she has been critical and judgmental about various family dilemmas and has tended to "pout" if she didn't get her way.

When I mentioned my intention to host a bridal shower to my father's wife, she led me to believe it was fine with her. She is now upset with me and my sister because SHE wanted to host the shower. We have tried to tell her that this is not appropriate. As matron of honor, isn't this one of MY responsibilities?

I have suggested that she host a bridal luncheon the day before the wedding, but she's still pouting about the shower. My father told me it's causing problems in his marriage. My sister and I have included her in planning the wedding, choosing the wedding gown and bridesmaids' dresses, and consulted her on various other decisions. Her childish, selfish behavior is causing a lot of stress.

Abby, my sister and I want to do the right thing. Please advise us. — STRESSED-OUT MATRON OF HONOR

DEAR STRESSED-OUT: Neither you nor your stepmother should be hosting a bridal shower for your sister. An aunt, cousin or one of her co-workers should do it instead, because it is considered in poor taste for immediate family members of the bride or groom to host a shower. Perhaps your stepmother will be pacified if she realizes she's not being excluded.

DEAR ABBY: I would like to share this information with your readers so they may start this great act of charity at their places of worship.

At our church, many of the children bring nonperishable food from home and put it into big baskets on the altar while the collection baskets are passed around. The food is then distributed to local food banks. The children enjoy doing it, and they learn the meaning of sharing and helping others in need. — KIM IN SAVAGE, MINN.

DEAR KIM: That is an idea worth emulating — and thank you for it. I'm sure that many churches, in many denominations, will find it worth considering.

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THE Daily Crossword

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In 1483, England's King Richard III was crowned.

In 1535, Sir Thomas More was executed in England for treason.

In 1777, during the American Revolution, British forces captured Fort Mifflin.

In 1885, French scientist Louis Pasteur successfully tested an anti-rabies vaccine on a boy bitten by an infected dog.

In 1917, during World War I, Arab forces led by T.E. Lawrence (of Arabia) captured the port of Aqaba from the Turks.

In 1923, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics was formed.

In 1945, President Truman signed an executive order establishing the Medal of Freedom.

In 1957, Althea Gibson became the first black tennis player to win a Wimbledon singles title, defeating fellow American Darlene Hard 6-3, 6-2.

In 1967, the Biafran War erupted. (It lasted 2 years and claimed some 600,000 lives.)

In 1988, 167 North Sea oil workers were killed when a series of explosions and fires destroyed a drilling platform.

Ten years ago: The U.S. Army destroyed its last Pershing 1-A missiles at an ammunition plant in Karnack, Texas, under terms of the 1987 Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces Treaty. A Palestinian grabbed the steering wheel of an Israeli bus, causing a crash that claimed 15 lives.

Five years ago: Fourteen firefighters were killed while battling a blaze on Storm King Mountain in Colorado.

One year ago: Protestants rioted in many parts of Northern Ireland after British authorities blocked an Orange Order march in Portadown. Singing cowboy star Roy Rogers died in Apple Valley, Calif., at age 86. Se Ri Pak, a 21-year-old rookie golfer from South Korea, became the youngest winner of the U.S. Women's Open, defeating American amateur Jenny Chuasiriporn in sudden death.

Today's Birthdays: Former first lady Nancy Reagan is 78. Actor William Schallert is 77. Talk show host Merv Griffin is 74. Actress Janet Leigh is 72. Actor Donal Donnelly is 68. Singer-actress Della Reese is 68. Actor Ned Beatty is 62. Singer Gene Chandler is 62. Country singer Jeannie Seely is 59. Actor-director Sylvester Stallone is 53. Actor Fred Dryer is 53. Actor Burt Ward is 53. Actress Nathalie Baye is 51. Actor Geoffrey Rush is 48. Actress Shelley Hack is 47. Actor Grant Goodeve is 47. Country singer Nanci Griffith is 46. Actress Alyce Beasley is 45.

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