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## Positively ... Big Spring

### Radio station, billboards are CVB topics

The Convention and Visitors Bureau of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will meet at 4 p.m. Wednesday in the chamber board room. Among the items to be discussed will be the tourism radio station, which will broadcast at 1180-AM; billboards promoting the community in West Texas and efforts to attract a hotel to Comanche Trail Lake. The CVB is funded by a hotel-motel tax and the monies generated from the tax are used to promote and develop tourism in the community.

### WHAT'S UP...

#### WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room
- Senior Circle Big Spring Mall Walkers meet, 9:15 a.m. in front of the movie theater box office.
- Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
- Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park.
- Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

#### THURSDAY

- Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.
- Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.
- Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
- Rackley-Swords Chapter 379 Vietnam Veterans of America, 7 p.m., 124 Jonesboro Road.
- American Legion Post 506, 7 p.m. Call 263-2084 for place.
- Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

#### FRIDAY

- AMBUCS, noon, Brandin Iron Restaurant.
- Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

### WEATHER

Tonight:



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## Unemployment in Howard County up slightly, but workforce grows

By JOHN H. WALKER  
Managing Editor

Despite inching up two-tenths of a percent, Howard County's unemployment rate continues to be the lowest in the 19-county Permian Basin area at 5.8 percent.

The good news, even with the slight increase in the unemployment rate, is that the local work force continues to increase.

Latest data released by the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) shows the Howard

County work force grew 110 persons to 14,843 in May — up from 14,733 the previous month.

"I think what we've seen is an increase in both the unemployment rate and the size of the workforce because of the influx of students looking for summer jobs," said Lydia Perez, TWC assistant area manager.

Perez said that while many of the new jobs were seasonal, there were also a number of jobs created in the small business sector.

"That's certainly a good sign," she said. "The small business

growth means we're growing at every level of the job market."

Perez said there was concern about the impact the announced closing of the Walls Industries sewing plant, with its 95 jobs and \$1 million annual payroll, would have on the economy.

"That will certainly have an effect, but construction on the VA Home site could offset that," she said, adding that the local workforce center has received the work order for the VA Home construction project.

"We're taking applications for that work right now," she said,

adding that interested persons should come by the TWC office at 310 Owens to fill out an application.

But while the change in Howard County was minimal, seven counties — all with a heavy reliance on the oil and gas industry — had double-digit unemployment for the month.

Winkler County (Kermit) reported the highest unemployment in the region at 13 percent. It was also listed among the top 10 counties in the state in respect to the highest unemployment rates. At 28.2 percent,

Presidio County (Marfa) had the most workers without jobs in West Texas.

Other Permian Basin counties with double-digit unemployment include Loving (Mentone) 12.8; Reeves (Pecos) 12.6; Andrews (Andrews) 12.5; Ector (Odessa) 11.0; Ward (Monahans) 10.9 and Reagan (Big Lake) 10.5 percent.

Other West Texas unemployment figures for May included (April rates in parentheses) Borden (Gail) 2.0 (1.8), Crane

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## County signs on for park project

By ALLISON THOMAS  
Staff Writer

Howard County Commissioner's Court on Monday gave its support to a project to build a downtown tourist travel park in Big Spring.

The proposed park would be in the quarter-block now occupied by the Permian Building, which is set to be demolished, and the vacant lot that sits north of the courthouse.

Plans are for the park to include a pavilion for outdoor community activities, and a live, community Christmas tree. Pedestrian walkways in the park are planned to lead to historic downtown areas.

Located off the highway, the park would also act as a tourist information rest area by providing picnic shelters, a restroom, and information and passouts for tourists.

"The idea behind it is to bring in people off the highway," said Bill Crooker, Howard County commissioner.

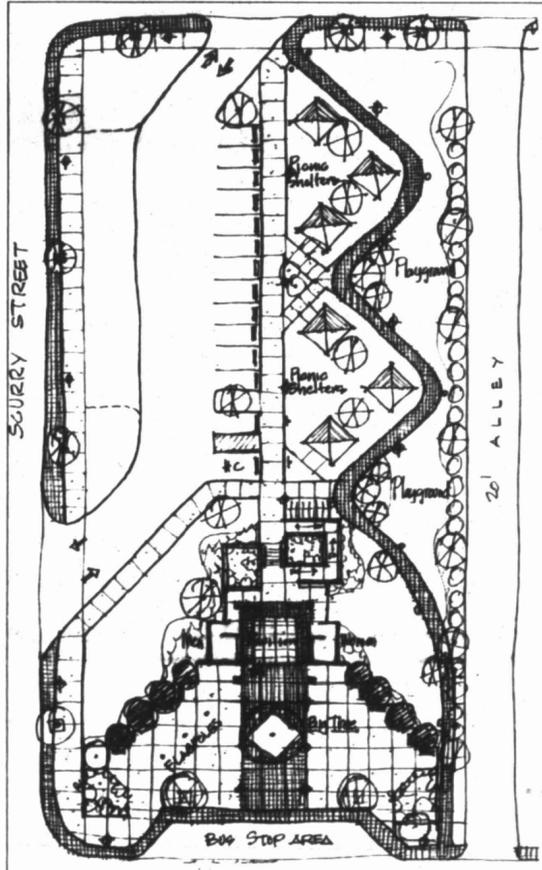
Approximately 80 percent of the funding is expected to come from the Texas Department of Transportation's Statewide Transportation Enhancement Program.

"The city is applying for a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation," said Crooker.

The city will be requesting \$748,858.56 in federal funds and plans to commit \$187,214.64 itself. City council members are to act on a resolution seeking the grant funds in a meeting set for 5:30 tonight.

During Monday's meeting commissioners decided to donate to the project a small strip of land owned by Howard County. The county will sign over the deed to the land when the Permian Building is demolished and construction on the park begins.

Also discussed was an agreement regarding emergency transfer service to Shannon



This plan shows the layout for a downtown tourist travel park, which includes the quarter-block now occupied by the Permian Building and the vacant lot directly north of the Courthouse. The park would include a pavilion for outdoor activities and a number of picnic shelters as well as providing a location for the planting of a live, community Christmas tree.

Hospital in San Angelo.

An agreement was approved by the commissioners to support emergency medical service in helicopters from Big

Spring to Shannon Hospital in San Angelo.

"Primarily, this will help them in securing government aid," said Crooker.

## New parent service group being formed for Big Spring Junior High

By ALLISON THOMAS  
Staff Writer

The first day of school is quickly approaching, bringing with it a change for some Big Spring students. The new junior high will be opening its doors to students for the first time ever, and parents want to make sure all goes well.

John Richard Sparks, whose son, J-Rich will be a seventh grader at the new school, is active in founding a new parent service group at the junior high.

"What we're trying to do is be there whenever they need help," said Sparks. "We'll walk the halls, help out in the library and the office, and we can even be in the science lab or comput-

er lab as needed."

This new organization is a volunteer service group composed of the parents of students. Their goal is to have at least one parent at the school every day to help out and enhance the learning environment.

The group, which doesn't have an official name yet, is already helping teachers and administrators at the junior

high prepare for the coming school year by labeling books in the library and putting together tables in the cafeteria.

The violence in schools across the country last school year was not a factor in the organization of this group, said Sparks, and is not the reason the group was formed.

"Our group is not a result of that. This was in the plans long

before any of that took place. This would have happened whether that had happened or not," said Sparks. "We want this to be a positive deal."

An open house for the junior high will be held from 2-4 p.m. Sunday, giving many people their first look at the new school. The volunteer service

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## 'Night Out' scheduled to help boost Cactus and Crude MS tour Saturday

By RICK McLAUGHLIN  
Staff Writer

The National MS Society will host a night out with the Johnny Blaine and The Spur Band Saturday from 7:30 to 10:30 at the Howard College student union building in Big Spring.

The night out is in conjunction with the Fina/7-Eleven Cactus and Crude MS 150 Bike Tour, according to spokesman Lucia Gray of the Midland office of the National MS Society.

The night out is open to the public for \$3 for an individual and \$5 per couple, with tickets available at the door.

"The event will be fun and relaxing after a hard day of cycling," said Big Spring volunteer and past event rider, Jerry Farmer. He noted that there will likely be some 100 riders in the tour. They will be of nearly all ages and will be riding bikes costing from \$300 to \$2,500.

"We do this to help other people," he said. "Much of the money goes to MS research but some of it comes right back to the community."

Farmer said volunteers will be operating rest stops, where water and fruit will be available to tired and thirsty riders. "Temperatures are frequently above 100 degrees and the asphalt is even hotter," Farmer observed.

Farmer, who will not be riding in the MS 150 ride this year, is a member of the Amateur Radio Club. He and other members of the Amateur Radio Club will be providing communications and traffic control for the event on Sunday.

This is the 11th year for the Fina/7-Eleven Cactus and Crude MS 150 Bike Tour, in which participants are required to raise a minimum of \$150 in pledges to the National MS Society.

In addition to meals refreshments and

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Jim McMillan, left, and Kirk Brogdon were among those participating in last year's Cactus and Crude MS 150 Bike Tour, which makes its way through Big Spring this Saturday. A "night out" with Johnny Blaine and the Spur Band is planned at Howard College.

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OBITUARIES

Antonio Joe Flores III

A prayer service for Antonio Joe Flores III, infant son of Blanca Franco and Antonio Joe Flores, Jr., will be 7 tonight at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Graveside service will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, July 14, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park with Deacon Horace Yanez, of St. Thomas Catholic Church, officiating.

Antonio was born on Saturday, July 10, and died on Saturday in Odessa.

Survivors include: his parents, Blanca Franco of Big Spring, and his father, Antonio Joe Flores Jr. of El Paso; his maternal grandmother, Luanna Franco of Big Spring; his maternal grandfather, Michael Ray Hernandez; his paternal grandmother, Rosalinda Lopez of Gatesville; his paternal grandfather, Antonio Flores Sr. of Big Spring; his maternal great-grandmother, Katie Anaya of Austin; maternal great-grandfather, Filomeno Franco of Big Spring; his paternal great-grandparents, Lupe and Joe Lopez of Big Spring; and his paternal great-great-grandfather, Joe Torres Sr. of Big Spring.

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

Victoria Shortes

Service for Victoria Shortes, 49, Ackerly, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Monday, July 12, 1999, in a local hospital.

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Other support riders will be awarded prizes based on the amount raised.

[This year, the prize for all cyclists raising more than \$5,000, will be a one-day bicycle island tour through Martha's Vineyard in central New England next spring.

Other prizes range from bike shorts and jerseys to gift certificates from sponsoring bike shops.

Cyclists may also join the Mission Possible Club by raising \$750 — one dollar for each person with Multiple Sclerosis living in the area. The MP Club members will receive a polo shirt and a chance to ride in the FINA stunt plane.

MS is a disease that randomly attacks the nervous system, wearing away the control and individual has over his or her body.

Symptoms may range from numbness and paralysis to blindness. The progress, severity and specific symptoms of the

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disease cannot be foreseen. Most victims are diagnosed between the ages of 20 and 40.

PARENTS

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organization will be attending the open house.

"We will be there to help guide people through the place, and to hand out programs," said Sparks.

Even though the organization has only met twice so far, response from parents has been enthusiastic. At the moment, the group is composed of about 60 to 70 people. Sparks hopes even more parents will volunteer.

"We could definitely use more parents," he said.

Parents interested in volunteering at the new junior high should contact Sparks at 263-8527.

TRIAL

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tion or maximum punishment. Can you consider the entire range (of punishment)?"

Wilkerson talked about pre-trial publicity and reminded the jury pool that "newspaper, radio, and TV reports are not evidence."

He then asked if any of them felt their lives may have been influenced by alcohol. Numerous hands were raised by people whose relatives are alcoholics. Several noted they had been arrested for driving while under the influence.

"It is not wrong to dislike alcohol-related offenses," he said, "but you have to put your feelings about alcohol aside. Can you do that?"

The district attorney asked the jury pool of approximately 60 if they might have knowledge, relationships or life experiences that "skew their ability" to be a fair and impartial juror.

The defense attorney agreed with Wilkerson that "A key part of this charge is that the death must be by reason of intoxication. But for a man's intoxication, the death would not have occurred," he indicated was the issue.

"All we ask for," Hamby said in conclusion, "is 12 fair-minded people."

UNEMPLOYMENT

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(Crane) 8.5 (7.5), Dawson (Lamesa) 7.5 (7.6), Gaines (Seminole) 5.9 (5.9), Glasscock (Garden City) 2.8 (2.2), Martin (Stanton) 6.1 (6.6), Midland (Midland) 7.3 (6.7), Mitchell (Colorado City) 6.8 (7.2), Nolan (Sweetwater) 6.1 (6.4), Pecos (Fort Stockton) 9.2 (8.1) and Scurry (Snyder) 8.5 (8.1).

State wide, the unemployment rate in May inched up twenths of a percent from April, from 4.7 percent to 4.9 percent.

REUNIONS

THE CLASS OF 1949 will be having its 50th class reunion on Oct. 14-16.

The following is a list of missing classmates: John Brinkater, Roy Burke, Beverly Campbell, Winona Fincher, Helen Eubanks Harris, Irvin Hurt, Myrl Lou McGuire, Rodman Roberts, Vonia "Scottie" Scott, Jean Seiler, Jo Ann Tanner, and Jean (Waldrop) Womac.

If you have any information of these classmates, please contact Katie Jones Cathey at 263-4611 or Jane Stripling Jones at 263-3078.

THE CLASS OF 1954 is having their 45th class reunion, Oct. 15-16. We have been unable to locate the following class members:

Martha Buford, Norma Burns, Rebecca Chadwick, Viola Chandler, James Day, Glenda Drennan, Angel Franco, Wayne Lankford, Donald Malone, David McNeely, Kim Milling, Arlene Mitchell, Lewis Newell, Wanda Rouse, Shirley Spero, Joy Towery, Jack Wactendorf, Don Washburn, and Mike Williamson.

If you can help us with an address or phone number for one of these class members, please call 267-6400.

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THE BIG SPRING HIGH School Class of 1959 will have a 40th reunion Oct. 15-16. We need the address for the following people: Carol Aston, Jerry Baird, Karen Baldwin Argo, Mary Ruth Barrington Kennemur, W.L. Bowen, Warren Boyd, Nancy Branch Hope, Ronald Paul Bute, Lewis Burns, Walter Brent Clark, Linda Fern Conwell, Bill Cooper, Jeanette Culwell Williams, Joe Davis, Nancy Eldridge, Cliff Epps, Beatrice Gonzales, Marilyn Hall, Ronnie Hammack, Joan Heise, Rosie Hinojos, Jo Ann Lane, David Leppert, Joe McCowan, Larry McNeill, Joe McWilliams, Ross Plant, Don Pederson, Don Richardson, Tommy Roger, Amelia Rosas, Irene Rudd Thornton, Marvin Simmons, Bessie Lucille Smith, Sylvia Valdez, and Charlene Williamson.

Please Call Toni Hamby at 267-7737 if you have any information about these '59 graduates.

THE BIG SPRING HIGH School Class of 1964 will be holding their 35th reunion Oct. 14-16.

The following is a list of missing classmates:

Mary Aguirre, Michael Patrick Alexander, Sheri Jon Andre, Sherry Lynn Aton, Shirley Darlene Baker, Sherry L. Beard, Marvin Eugene Bell, Jeanne Bogard, Marshall RAY Box, Douglas Henry Brandon, Janice Ann Brokaw, Joe Louis Brown, Richard Leslie Brown, Sidney T. Buford, Coye Lee Burton, James Michael Butler, William Caire, James Robert Capps, Marilyn Ann Clark, Robert Malcolm Compton, Susan Gayle Copeland, Diane Corbell, Richard Herbert Dahnke, Sharon Davis, Anita Porras DeLeon, Brenda Lou Diese, Wayne Eugene Dietz, Marvin Thomas Erhardt, John Charles Farquhar, Alberto S. Fierro, Ricardo C. Flores, Thresa Ann Foster, Samuel Kyce Franklin, Jo Beth Gass, Linda Kay Gibson, James Michael Gilbert, Lennox Earl Gilmer, Martha Ann Blickman, James Allen Gooch, Jack M. Griffin Jr., Robert Elwin Griffith, Aubrey Lepold Guinn, Linda Elaine Hall, Jim Richard Hamilton, Sharyl Eleanor Harp, Charles L. Hethcox III, Regina Marie Hine, Gary D. Holeman, Herbert James Holland Jr., Larry Don Hood, Jimmy Ray Horton, Robert Don Huestis, Arion Dee Lee Hughey, Billy James Hutcheison, Doyle William Irwin, Edward Lee Jackson, Georgia Mae Jackson, Walter Alexander Jeusp, Jeanette Johnson, Jennie Lucile Johnson, Patricia Ann Jones, Paula Jan Jones, Velton Lee Jones, Gail Kennedy, James A. Kernan, Susan Anne King, Karen Ann Landrum, Kenneth Duane Lawton Jr., Billy Joe Leugoud, Diana Joan Little, Linda Manley, William F. Marino, Velma Ann Marlin, Carolyn Marsalis, Judy Marsh, Beatrice Martinez, Sandra Gay Merrell, Lillian Merritt, Darlene Adelle Moser, Joe Munoz, Patsy Jane McElyea, Patricia Ann McGlasson, Susan Ellen McNary, James Elton Nipp, Asucena Olguin, Jean Oliver, Sherry Lynn Owens, Linda Lee Painter, Lee Roy Paul, Anastacio Perez, Thomas Phillips, Donald Lee Pierce, Jean Randell, Thurman Randle, Marion Ransom, Truett Tom Russell, Diana Rachel Salame, Ector Saunders, E.J. Self, Betty Lucille Sherman, Linda Lou Shuffield, Fred Henry Simmons, Dennis Ray Smith, James Roland Smith, Napoleon Smith, Norman Alan Smith, Timothy Young Smith, Vernon Taylor Smith, Joe Robert Spencer, Eva Marie Statham, Linda Ruth Statham, nSherry Kay Stevens, Susan Stephens, Alice Stewart, Lester Terrance Storch, Paul Eugene Sturdevant, Charles Jerry Sweeney, James Tarbet, David Earl Taylor, Andrea Mary Terrell, Joe Rankin Thompson, Connie LaRue Thornton, Mary Lera Thornton, Maria Trevino, Patricia Ann Tubb, Jo Neil Turner, Shirley June

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Underwood, Mary Frances Wade, Barbara Ann Wade, Charlie West Jr., Sandra Lee Wheat, Linda Jean Whisenhunt, Russell Robert Wilkinson Jr., Milton Raymond Williamson, Nelson Greer Willis, Patricia Ann Winterhalter, Joyce Evelyn Wrightsil, and Rosalinda Zubiate.

If you have information on any of these classmates, please call 267-9621 or 263-7000 before 10 p.m. or e-mail to bshs.grads1964@ntexas.com.

THE STANTON CLASS OF 1959 is planning a reunion. The following is a list of missing classmates. If anyone knows any information on these classmates, please call Jonnie Foreman at (915)682-5897 or Bobby Shipp at (806)935-4365.

Carl Phillips, Pat Henderson, Floyd Rice, Robert Whitaker, Eldon white, Mary Maxey, Elizabeth Caldwell, James Caldwell, Don Cargile, Jimmy Cornelius, Jimmy England, and Pat Duke.

BRIEFS

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF Health and WIC will be closed on Wednesday, July 14. We will reopen on Thursday, July 15.

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF Health will give shots on July 12, 13 and 15. Please bring your child's shot record or a note from school. Call 263-9775 for more information.

THE REID COUSINS REUNION is planned Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Coahoma Church of Christ Fellowship Hall, 311 N. Second St. All friends and community members are invited to join.

AN AARP "55 ALIVE" Mature Driving refresher course is planned July 27-28 at Howard County Library from 1-5 p.m. both days. You must attend both classes. Call 263-1576 to sign up.

GIRL SCOUT TROOPS 247 and 234 are hosting a "glamour photo" fundraiser Saturday and Sunday at Barcelona Apartments Party Room, 538 Westover. To set up an appointment for your glamour photo session, call 267-4612. There is a \$10 sitting fee, with proceeds going to the troops, and participants can buy the photographs if they so choose.

The Scouts are planning a trip later this summer to the birthplace of Girl Scouts, Savannah, Ga.

THE SALVATION ARMY IS collecting school supplies for its fourth annual Back to School Supply Drive through the month of July.

All basic school supplies for students in grades kindergarten through eighth will be accepted to go into the kits the Salvation Army will hand out before school begins Aug. 9.

During the 1998-99 drive, 358 students received their supplies from the corps, and demand is expected to exceed that number this year.

Eligibility for the program is based on the income and expense budgets for the family.

Those supplies requested this year are: No. 2 pencils, Fiskar scissors, eight, 16 and 24-count crayons, 12-ounce bottles of glue, 200-count, wide-rules notebook paper and two-inch notebooks.

Also school boxes, zipper bags, blue and black ink pens, pocket folders with brads and erasers are needed.

And map colors, markers, manila paper, dividers, construction paper and boxed tissues are also requested.

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 8,5,5  
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Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

Drop the supplies off at the Salvation Army, 811 West Fifth, or call 267-8238.

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.

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

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 50.10 cents, up 65 points; Aug. crude 19.96, up 5 points; cash hogs steady at \$1 lower at 31; cash steers steady at 64 even; July lean hog futures 44.02, down 72 points; Aug. live cattle futures 63.67, down 12 points.

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Amcap	18.99-20.08
Europacific	33.10-35.12
Prime Rate	8%
Gold	254.50-255.50
Silver	5.09-5.14

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:

MONDAY  
12:02 a.m. — 2100 block Hwy 176, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

6:25 a.m. — 3200 block Parkway, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

7:44 a.m. — SMMC, patient transferred to residence.  
7:45 a.m. — 1800 block State, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

10:34 a.m. — VA Medical Center, patient transferred to residence.

11:02 a.m. — SMMC, patient transferred to Midland Memorial.

11:19 a.m. — 1700 block Lancaster, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

12:55 p.m. — 800 block E. 14th, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

12:57 p.m. — 1600 block Owens, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

POLICE

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

•JOSEPH JERAWSKI, 57, was arrested in the 3100 block of W. Highway 80 for public intoxication.

•BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported at 20th and Scurry.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported at 200 Main and 3500 E. Marcy.

•BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 600 block of Circle.

•THEFT was reported in the 300 block of Gregg, 200 block of W. Marcy, and the 600 block of E. 16th St.

•MINOR ACCIDENTS were reported in the 3300 block of E. Marcy, at W. Marcy and Wasson and at Settles and Sycamore.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCES were reported at 2500 Gunter and 800 E. 4th.

•ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported in the 2000 block of Runnels and the 1600 block of Owens.

•DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 800 block of Marcy.

SHERIFF

The following information was transcribed from the Howard County Sheriff's Department arrest logs through 8 a.m. Tuesday.

•AMBER MICHELLE GUTIERREZ, 23, was arrested in the 3600 block of Calvin for hindering apprehension or prosecution. (HCSO)

•CHRISTOPHER PACE, 26, was arrested for burglary of a vehicle at the Adult Probation Office. (HCSO)

•FABIAN PENA, 17, was arrested in the 1500 block of Lincoln for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. (BSPD)

RECORDS

Monday's high 90  
Monday's low 67  
Average high 95  
Average low 70  
Record high 110 in 1998  
Record low 69 in 1961  
Precip. Monday 0.00  
Month to date 0.25  
Month's normal 0.76  
Year to date 6.65  
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# Republicans say Clinton expresses desire for budget accord

WASHINGTON (AP) — Following an amiable meeting at the White House, Republican congressional leaders are saying President Clinton seems ready to work with them on revamping Medicare, cutting taxes and other budget issues.

But the first face-to-face budget meeting this year between the president and top lawmakers produced no specific agreements in the battle over how to spend \$2.9 trillion in projected budget surpluses over the next decade.

"We want cooperation, not partisanship," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., after the hour-long Cabinet Room session Monday night. "His tone was the same."

Even House Majority Leader

Dick Armey, R-Texas, among Clinton's most outspoken foes, said there's "no doubt" Clinton's message was that he was ready to seriously tackle the issues separating the White House and Congress.

Republicans and Democrats alike cast the tone of the meeting positively, which considering the distrust many Republicans feel for Clinton might be a major achievement in itself.

But members of both parties speaking on the condition of anonymity said there was no movement on numbers. And they said there was no change in the likely scenario that Clinton would veto a GOP-written tax cut and perhaps some spending bills before any sub-

stantive negotiations start, probably in September or later.

When the meeting was over, the dispute between the two sides loomed as large as ever.

While they generally agree the \$1.9 trillion part of the surplus generated by Social Security should be used to reduce the national debt, Republicans want to use most of the remaining \$1 trillion for tax cuts. Clinton and Democrats want to use it for Medicare, a much smaller \$250 billion tax reduction, and defense and domestic spending.

"What we're not going to do is collapse to their position if we think their position is wrong-headed," said House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo. "We think it's wrong to do a \$1

trillion tax cut."

Democrats familiar with the meeting said Clinton opened it by saying that prior to considering a tax cut, the two sides first must agree to revamp Social Security and Medicare for the retirement of the 76 million baby boomers, beginning in a decade.

That is a position he has long held and one that many Republicans say is merely his excuse for denying use of the surplus for tax cuts.

And he, Vice President Al Gore, Gephardt and Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., all said GOP plans for about \$800 billion in tax cuts over a decade were simply too big, Democrats said.

Clinton also insisted that

decisions about Medicare, Social Security, tax cuts and other spending issues must all be linked.

That was his response to an analogy about a dog carrying too many bones that Lott used to argue that the president and Congress consider tax cuts, spending, Medicare and other issues separately.

Even so, Republicans said Clinton flashed signs that he was ready to try to reach agreement on several tough budget issues.

Lott and House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., said Clinton talked about the possibility of reaching agreements on Social Security, Medicare, a new prescription drug benefit for the elderly and tax cuts.

# U.S. sues Toyota over smog-control computers on 2.2 million vehicles

WASHINGTON (AP) — Toyota stands accused by the federal government of putting faulty smog-control computers on 2.2 million 1996-1998 vehicles.

The Justice Department filed a civil lawsuit against the automaker's U.S. subsidiary Monday on behalf of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Acting under the Clean Air Act the suit in U.S. District Court here seeks to have the computers repaired and the company fined up to \$58.5 billion.

The suite was filed after Toyota rejected a government settlement offer last week that might have cost it \$100 million in civil fines.

The Japanese-owned Toyota company is the first automaker that has refused to settle a Clean Air Act case with the government.

Since 1995, Cadillac, Honda, Ford and seven heavy-duty diesel engine makers have reached multimillion-dollar Clean Air Act settlements with the government.

The government always seeks up to the maximum civil penalty the act allows.

"We're asking for an appropriate penalty and notifying the court that the parameters are somewhere between zero and \$58 billion," said Joel Gross, chief of Justice's environmental enforcement section. The law allows the judge to take into account a company's economic gain from the violation, its history of compliance and remedies and whether a fine would allow a company to stay in business.

# Legalized marijuana a danger to young people, report shows

WASHINGTON (AP) — Young people who smoke marijuana are far more likely than nonusers to move on to harder drugs, a substance abuse research group concludes in a report that opposes efforts to legalize or decriminalize non-medical marijuana.

"Teen experimentation with marijuana should not be considered a casual rite of passage," said Joseph Califano, chairman and president of the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University.

"Teens who smoke marijuana are playing a dangerous game of Russian roulette," he said.

The center's report was released as a House Government Reform Committee held a second hearing today on pros and cons of decriminalizing drugs. Testifying were former Drug Enforcement Administration head Thomas Constantine and advocates of relaxed laws on marijuana use.

"Marijuana stands convicted as a gateway drug," Califano concluded, citing conclusions in the report that youngsters 12 to 17 years old who smoke marijuana are 85 times more likely to use cocaine than those who do not.

The report, which focuses on nonmedical use of marijuana, said the drug is especially dan-

gerous for teens, impairing short-term memory, stunting intellectual and emotional growth and increasing the likelihood of unprotected sex as well as leading to other drugs such as cocaine or heroin.

It said that of 182,000 teens and children who entered treatment in 1996 for substance abuse, nearly half, 48 percent, were admitted for marijuana abuse or addiction.

That compared to 19 percent for alcohol and a secondary drug, 12 percent for alcohol alone, 3 percent for smoked cocaine, 2.4 percent for methamphetamines and 2.3 percent for heroin.

The report concluded that decriminalization or legalization of marijuana would surely increase use among teen-agers and children. But it also opposed mandatory sentences for possession of small amounts of marijuana, saying prosecutors and judges should be given wide discretion in order to encourage teens to stop using the drug.

"Mandatory sentences are particularly insidious where teens convicted of possession of marijuana are concerned," Califano said.

The report said that 70 million Americans have tried marijuana, making it the nation's most commonly used illegal substance.

# NAACP to try to narrow 'digital divide'

NEW YORK (AP) — To help bridge the "digital divide" — the gap between white people and blacks and Hispanics in access to the Internet — the NAACP and AT&T will partner to create technology centers in 20 cities that will provide computer training and Internet seminars.

"The technological segregation known as the digital divide must be narrowed," NAACP President Kweisi Mfume said Monday.

Toward that end, Mfume announced that through the program AT&T will provide hardware, software and on-site support for technology in the centers.

"The centers will be open after the school doors close so parents and children can learn computer usage together," Mfume said. "The old and the young learning together will help reduce that divide."

NAACP spokeswoman Sheila Douglas said one center will be outside of Baltimore, where the NAACP is headquartered. Locations of the other 19 sites are yet to be determined. The project will cost approximately \$300,000, she said.

Ameritech Corp. and the National Urban League announced last week they will spend \$350,000 to build five new Internet community centers in Aurora, Ill., Cleveland, Detroit, Indianapolis and Milwaukee. And 3Com Corp. said it will spend \$1 million in donated equipment and training in 10 cities to help teach students to be computer network engineers.

Last week, a Commerce Department report, "Falling Through the Net," said the disparity on the Internet between whites and black and Hispanic Americans is growing.

The report found about 47 percent of all whites own comput-

ers, but fewer than half as many blacks do. About 25.5 percent of Hispanics own computers, but 55 percent of Asian-Americans do.

The report also found a child in a low-income white family is three times as likely to have Internet access as a child in a comparable black family.

Most troubling for government experts were indications these disparities can't be blamed solely on differences in income. Among families earning \$15,000 to \$35,000, for example, more than 33 percent of whites owned computers, but only 19 percent of blacks did. That gap has widened nearly 62 percent since 1994 despite plunging computer prices.

Mfume also announced a new national campaign that could involve lawsuits against entertainment industry giants to end the scarcity of black characters on television shows.

# Polar emergency air crews depart New Zealand; ultrasound scanner damaged

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — An ultrasound scanner that was part of package of emergency medical supplies delivered to the South Pole was destroyed in the air drop, a military official said today.

The daring mission was undertaken to deliver supplies to a U.S. research base where a staff member had found a lump in her breast.

"The ultrasound scanner machine was damaged beyond repair, but it wasn't an essential piece of equipment for the

woman's treatment program," said Col. Richard Saburro of the U.S. Antarctic support program Operation Deepfreeze.

He said only one ultrasound machine had been dropped, correcting earlier reports that two machines had been delivered.

"It doesn't need to be replaced as the remaining medical equipment and drugs are more than enough to meet the treatment demands of the patient," Saburro told The Associated Press.

"Her treatment will begin in a

few days."

The 47-year-old American woman, whose name was not disclosed, is a support staffer at the Amundsen-Scott South Pole Station, a geodesic dome housing U.S. National Science Foundation researchers.

The New York Times reported today that the woman was in fact the medical doctor for the base and would have to treat herself. The newspaper quoted a cancer expert consulted in the case who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The foundation has not detailed the cost of the mission.

After speaking with staff at the base today, Saburro said the woman was "in very good spirits, and has indicated her appreciation for all the support which has been given her and for the efforts of the air crew in carrying through the mission."

Another one of the six pallets of equipment dropped was also damaged. It contained mail and fresh fruit and vegetables — rare commodities in frozen Antarctica — for all of the 41 people who work at the base, which houses projects involving

everything from ozone to paleontology.

Valerie Carroll, a spokeswoman for the patient's employer, Antarctic Support Associates, based in Englewood, Colo., said base personnel had been able to recover most of the goods.

John was unhurt and police returned him to his mother.

The Butler County Children Services Board said it will investigate and determine what action might be needed at Kiddie Kampus, said Jon Allen, a spokesman for the Ohio Department of Human Services.

An employee of Kiddie Kampus declined comment to The Cincinnati Enquirer.

# Internal VA report details employee fraud

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two employees of the Veterans Affairs Department embezzled \$1.2 million during the past several years, according to an internal VA memo that blames the fraud on lax security and letting the same workers who process claims also authorize payments.

VA Inspector General Richard Griffin wrote the 37-page report June 17 after he investigated how the employees pocketed government money by setting up fake veterans benefit claims. His report, obtained by The Associated Press Monday, says the VA is reviewing its program that sends payments to 2.7 million poor and disabled veterans.

Griffin's memo details how a supervisory claims examiner in St.

Petersburg, Fla., was arrested in January for stealing \$815,451 in benefits. The woman, identified in previous news stories as Joy Cheri Brown, made fake disability claims in the name of her fiancé.

The memo also describes how a former employee at the VA's New York regional office received more than \$620,000 in benefits over a 12-year period. The fraud was uncovered last year when the man, was arrested on drug charges in New Jersey and authorities found an identification card bearing the name of a fictitious veteran. At the time, the man was receiving \$5,011 in benefits every month.

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## OUR VIEWS

### Time to take tough stance on vandalism

We don't know how you feel about it, but we're ready for the summer's criminal mischief and vandalism to stop. The only problem we have is that the phrase "criminal mischief" seems to sanitize the act of destroying someone else's property. After all, weren't we all a bit mischievous as kids? To be honest, we don't remember spray painting someone's property or throwing a rock through a window. We don't remember destroying for the sake of destroying. As the reports of these criminal activities increase, we feel it's time for our curfew to be enforced. Yes, we understand that our law enforcement officials have other, more pressing things to do than babysit juvenile delinquents, but if parents won't take the responsibility for their children it's time to catch them, arrest them and give them a criminal record. Sure, that's a hard-line attitude but it's time for the line to be drawn and for the citizens in this community to have the opportunity to get up in the morning without having to check and see if their property has been vandalized. It's time to stop talking about what we need to do to remove the graffiti and get it done. In other communities, such as El Paso and Odessa, they have nationally recognized programs to attack and remove graffiti within 24 hours of the vandalism. It's time for parents to pay attention to your children and know what they are doing — and more importantly, know where they are and who they are with. And if the parents won't keep their kids in after curfew, it's time for the police and the sheriff's department to start bringing them in. If that's the only way to get control, then so be it.

## YOUR VIEWS

**TO THE EDITOR:**  
I am confused: Freedom of speech, unconstitutional, reprobate mind: A depraved mind or wicked person is beyond hope of salvation, morally depraved, to disapprove, condemn or censure, exclude from salvation as of sin. Our country is plagued with every kind of child abuse, tormenting babies, killing the little ones for no reason. How can anyone look an infant in their eyes, crying and screaming, hit them in the stomach or on the head for no reason? Yet when they are tried in courts, even if they receive large punishment, they are released back in society to be rehabilitated. There is no way to change anyone when his mind is completely controlled by the evil forces that Satan has turned loose on this earth. No one in their right mind would ever think of committing such heinous crimes. When an elephant kills a person he is put to death. When a dog mauls a child they kill him. There is no animal that will do a thing that is happening to our infant little bundles of love that God gives us to cherish. There is no guilt in my mind in saying "the animals deserve to die. They are beyond repair." Yet if they come into court and plead for the first constitutional rights, or some arresting officer fails to dot an i or fail to read him his rights, that is unconstitutional rights. He goes free. Until we change the stupid laws and get some judges that know how to throw the book at them, we will continue to

have the crimes getting worse and more horrible. Where is old Judge Bean? He would say, "Hang them!" The government is so sure that tobacco will kill everyone. We are condemned if we still smoke. The second-hand smoke is killing even babies. Whiskey, beer and such, wipes out lives every day. Wrecks, knives, guns, bad livers, and you name it, they are killers. Yet we allow these animals run loose with no strain. You can quote the laws and fairness to all but there is no way that you will ever convince me that this is justifiable. We read that the judge has given the cults at Waco to sue FBI for the job they were trying to enforce. They had a search warrant to enter because there were unlawful guns in the compound. Everything was in order and within the law. When they started to approach the house, they were fired at, killing officers. Yet they call it a freedom of speech. Gathering young women, telling them it was his right to have sex with them. "I am the chosen one and I am boss." Some became with child. Don't come to me with the unconstitutional rights. We have too many bleeding hearts that are tearing our nation into shreds. What has happened with our laws? Our law enforcement has their hands tied where they cannot bring justice. The law protects the criminal and the just have to bear the guilt and burden.  
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### Tight security loosening its grip at labs

More than a month after Energy Secretary Bill Richardson ordered security tightened at our nuclear laboratories, things are getting back to business-as-usual. Two weeks ago, as pressure mounted on the administration to do something in the wake of massive security breaches at the laboratories, Richardson announced a second security "standdown" at Lawrence Livermore, Los Alamos and Sandia National Laboratories. The two-day shutdown meant no regular work, giving lab employees the chance to review how they handle sensitive classified information. So what happened during the standdown? According to an



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Energy Department press release, lab managers were to review the "historical problems of the lab culture's resistance ... that are revealed in the (Cox and Rudman) reports" and ensure that lab employees understood the recent flurry of security reforms — more than 80 in all. On the morning of the first day, things went relatively according to plan. Each of the lab directors gave their employees a half-hour speech, followed by a three-hour presentation on counterintelligence by a former FBI employee. But the diligence apparently ended there. After lunch, employees were to watch two half-hour safety videos. But according to several sources at Los Alamos and Lawrence Livermore, many of the people who were supposed to be providing a good example — the managers — were nowhere to be found. Not surprisingly, few of the rank-and-file watched the videos. One source put the number of people in his sector

that watched the videos at 25 percent. "Management's response was typical of the arrogance and prevailing lab culture of defiance, at least from where I sat," one Livermore staffer told us. But Livermore spokesman Jeff Garberson disputes that assessment and says the lab took the two-day standdown "very seriously." Even the critics say that the latest stoppage was treated more seriously than similar episodes in the past. But they hold little hope that the reforms will have long-lasting impact. "The pressure this time is a little more intense," one lab employee told us. "(But) a lot of people are saying this will go away when the presidential election is over and Richardson leaves." History seems to support that assessment. More than 100 reports in the last 20 years — nearly 30 from the General Accounting Office, 61 from inside DOE and more than a dozen reports from various

panels — have warned of security problems. All have produced the same result: nothing. The Air Force may soon have some airplanes they say they don't want, courtesy of the Missouri congressional delegation. The plan was hatched in a mid-June meeting between aides from Republican Sen. Christopher "Kit" Bond's office and their House colleagues, staffers for Democrat Dick Gephardt and Republican Jim Talent. The discussion centered on how to get money to build four F-15s. Although the production line will still close temporarily at the end of the year, the purchase could speed reopening. The F-15 line employs more than 7,000 people. "There is no requirement for these planes by the Air Force," says Air Force spokeswoman Gloria Kales. "It's a super aircraft, but there are other priorities. If we get these, we will have to come up with money from somewhere else."



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### The Writer's Art: About the reign in Spain

The Riverton (Wyo.) Ranger carried a headline a couple of years ago: "Lilies rein colorfully in July gardens." The Greenville (S.C.) News headlined a basketball game last year: "Tigers reign 3's on Cavs." In Johnson County, Ind., the Daily Journal made its contribution: "Young St. Pierre takes reigns of family firm." Heavens to Murgatroyd! Riverton wanted "reign," Greenville wanted "rain" and Johnson County wanted "reins." Come, let us talk of homophones, and let us resolve to do better, for a great deal of better needs to be done. Homophones are two or more words that have different meanings, are spelled differently, but have more or less the same sound. The English language suffers from a hundred of the little tricksters. Only the most sophisticated spell-checkers are of any use against them. My undocumented guess is that rain/rein/reign causes more trouble even than pore/pour and pedal/peddle, but it's a close call.



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From Indianapolis: "Hill's replacement, Richie Aduabato, has loosened the reigns." From Morris, Ill.: "Coal City administrator ready to take the reigns." From Tyler, Texas: "The 1997 Western Athletic Conference coach of the year will take the reigns at TCU." From Grand Rapids, Mich.: "Cowell, the teamster, picked up the reigns and gently coaxed the Belgian through the trees." Reins, reins, reins! Literally or figuratively, we were talking about a piece of harness. The Supreme Court reins in Congress, U.S. Airways seeks to rein in labor costs, and it's time to rein in the tobacco industry. From Grants Pass, Ore.: "NBC still reins, but loses ground to CBS." From Las Vegas: "Records suggest Caldey's last official royal visitor was King Henry I, who reined from 1100 to 1135." From Raleigh, N.C.: "But for one game, the team's veterans reined supreme." Reign, reign, reign! NBC, King Henry and the Wake Forest seniors reigned. We are talking about rulers and ruling. Does anyone know of a mnemonic device to help with rain/rein/reign? Another mischievous homophone is toe/tow. In Tucson two years ago, a Democratic supervisor was accused of "not towing the line." In Washington, D.C., Republican

senators did tow the line on an independent counsel. The Washington Times declared that it refuses to tow the liberal line. The New Republic flunked Phrenology 101 with a poem titled "Ah, Icarus." It began: "Hey, toe-headed boy, here, out of the sky." It is all very well to talk of towing a line, if we're talking of canal boats, but the familiar phrase calls for "toeing," not "towing," a line. The metaphor comes from foot races. The starting gun isn't supposed to fire until all the runners have literally pressed their toes against the starting line. It's understandable that many writers have a problem with "sew" and "sow," for these are not verbs we use every day, but the distinction has to be observed. In Olympia, Wash., last January: "Seeds of Clinton's crisis were sewn one year ago." In USA Today, a couple of years ago, "Don Turner, Holyfield's trainer, has been more than willing to sew tiny seeds of doubt, hoping they will sprout ..." The Unitarian Church of Davenport, Iowa, dedicated new classrooms to "sewing the seeds of growth." For the record: Seeds are sown, not sewn. One who sows is a sower, and one who sews is a sewer — though it looks odd. Maybe "seamstress" would be better, unless the person with the needle is a he, not a she. In Oregon, a columnist

who writes about automobiles praised the GMC SUV Denali for a transmission that lets the car glide seamlessly. Or so it seems. Aaargh! On the confusion of "whet" and "wet," one should be allowed a little leeway. The Associated Press provided a feature story last year from San Juan Capistrano about the spread of fast-food places near the famed Spanish mission. Visitors "have their appetites wetted by signs that read, '24-Hour Drive Thru.'" The verb should be "whetted," of course, meaning, "sharpened," but when we're talking of dining with the friendly shades of Franciscan friars, maybe it's OK to wet one's appetite. One of my favorite homophones came from the AP in the summer of 1997, when Maj. Gen. John S. Grinalds took over the reins (OK?) as president of The Citadel. He promised a new order of discipline at the South Carolina institution. The three-hour cadet evening study period will be strictly enforced. All cadets will be required to report for breakfast. He will run a hands-on operation. "Cadets," said the general, "are going to see me at revelry." That prospect may not reduce cadets to tears, but it will surely make them grown.



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### IN BRIEF

#### Midland Tower advances with consolation victory

Midland Tower's All-Stars kept their homes alive at the District 3 Little League Tournament on Monday with a 4-3 win over Midland Northern's All-Stars.

The win leaves Midland Tower squaring off with North Ector's All-Stars at 6:30 tonight at the American Little League park.

The winner of that game will then face Midland Mid-City for the tournament's championship Wednesday.

#### Gollad coach becomes latest to leave Big Spring

Gary Tipton, who coached seventh-grade football and basketball at Gollad Middle School, has accepted a sub-varsity assignment at Fort Stockton High School.

In joining the Panthers' program, Tipton will coach freshman football and junior varsity basketball.

Big Spring native Jon Downey, will replace Tipton on the coaching staff.

It will be the first coaching job for Downey, who played center on the 1989 and 1990 Big Spring High School football teams.

#### 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.

#### 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.

#### Sampras says he'll play doubles at Davis Cup

BOSTON (AP) — When Pete Sampras decided to join the U.S. Davis Cup team, he restricted himself to doubles to avoid upsetting those who were there from the start.

Even a masterful win over Andre Agassi in the Wimbledon final and teammate Todd Martin's entreaties haven't changed Sampras' mind as the team prepares for this weekend's quarterfinal meeting with Australia.

Sampras insisted Monday that because he wasn't part of the team when it earned the berth, his proper place at Brookline is the doubles court with partner Alex O'Brien.

"The last thing I want to do is jump on the bandwagon," Sampras said.

Only injuries to Jim Courier or Martin, the current singles duo, could make him reconsider, Sampras said.

"Unless that happens, I don't think it's right," he said. "I think those guys deserve to play singles. It's their show."

### LOCAL GAMES

TODAY  
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• North Ector Midland Tower vs. at American League park.

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Television  
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL  
7 p.m. — 1999 All-Star Game, FOX, Ch. 3.

## Carnoustie still formidable challenge for British Open field

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland (AP) — Fred Couples has a bad back, Scott Hoch a sore foot. Two-time Masters champion Ben Crenshaw and former U.S. Open champion Tom Kite don't think they're playing well enough to compete in the British Open.

By the sound of it Monday, countless others might be wishing they stayed home, too.

Carnoustie Golf Links offered an amiable welcome during the first full day of practice for the British Open — sunny skies and only a mild breeze off the Firth of Tay. No one was fooled by the rigors that await on what is generally regarded the toughest course on the British Isles.

"Someone is going to win," Colin Montgomerie said. "But at the same time, it will be no fun." Lee Janzen, a two-time U.S. Open

champion who plays his best under the most severe conditions, chose his words carefully when asked for his first impression of Carnoustie.

"I think it's in great shape, and that's the best thing I can say about it," he said. "I think it's the toughest course I've ever played. Par would be a great score, but I think higher than that will win — and that's under good conditions. I can't imagine what it would be like if we have tough conditions."

Colin Montgomerie owns the course record, a 64 during the 1995 Scottish Open. That should be safe this week.

"Somebody is going to win. But at the same time, it will be no fun," said Montgomerie, who predicted scores in the 90s if the wind blows hard. "We all hope and pray that it doesn't become a wind. If it becomes a wind, you'll see

scores higher than we've ever, ever seen before in any British Open.

Considering that John H. Taylor won the Open in 1894 with a 72-hole score of 326, that might be a bit of a stretch.

Still, the one consensus at Carnoustie is that it figures to be the toughest test of the year. The course is playing at 7,361 yards at a par of 71. The greens are large and firm. The fairways are narrow enough to make the USGA jealous. The rough is so high that Duval missed the green on the par-3 13th and measured a full 12 inches from the top of the grass to the bottom of the ball.

"Only 6 or 7 inches was really thick stuff," he said.

In short, Carnoustie is everything the U.S. Open wants to be.

"This is the first time I think players will say the U.S. Open was more fair

than the British Open," Janzen said.

The British Open was last played at Carnoustie in 1975, the year Tom Watson buried his reputation as a choker in the majors by making a birdie on the 72nd hole and winning the last 18-hole playoff in Open history. So much has changed since then, except for one thing.

"It's going to be a struggle," Watson said. "If we get the blow they are predicting on Thursday, you might see some real tears out there."

While Duval, Tiger Woods, Payne Stewart and defending champion Mark O'Meara were among those who prepared for the Open by playing links golf in Ireland, PGA champion Vijay Singh arrived at Carnoustie last week.

He played his first round on Saturday and afterward said it was nearly impossible.

## Fenway's Green Monster focus for All-Star power

BOSTON (AP) — Billy Wagner, Sean Casey and a bunch of their new National League teammates could barely contain themselves. Not only was this their first All-Star appearance, but it was coming at Fenway Park.

"I saw my first major league game there, back when I was in the Cape Cod League," Wagner said Monday. "I remember walking up the runway and the Green Monster popping out. You never forget it."

The Houston reliever hoped to add to those memories tonight, preferably by preventing any AL hitter from clearing the famous left-field wall. Then there was 10-time All-Star Ken Griffey Jr., who planned to claim a piece of the park.

"Chip some paint off the wall, put it in a bag and take it home," Griffey said. "There's something I will take from this ballpark before I leave."

Griffey made his mark Monday night, overcoming a monstrous performance by Mark McGwire to win the home run derby for the second straight year. It was his best effort yet at Fenway, where he's connected for only eight of his 379 career homers.

"It's a good ballpark to hit in," Junior said. "It's a classic. There are certain ballparks that have a lot of tradition behind them, and this is one of them. And before they tear it down, they've having an All-Star game here."

Just in time for 15-time All-Star Tony Gwynn.

"This is the one old park I haven't played in," the San Diego outfielder said. "I saw what Wade Boggs used to do here. I'm looking forward to doing it myself."

Gwynn, tied with Boggs at 2,982 career hits, won't be able to help the National League try to extend its 40-28-1 edge. Hobbled by injuries, he'll sit out as Boston ace Pedro Martinez starts for the AL against Philadelphia's Curt Schilling.

Still, Gwynn wanted to take batting practice and maybe field a few balls off the wall. How excited was he about seeing Fenway? He had a book detailing the history of the ballpark in his hotel room.

Likewise, Casey was eager to take some swings in a park he'd only seen on television.

"I'm going to try to hit a couple over in BP, just to say I hit one over the wall," the Cincinnati first baseman said.

Milwaukee's Jeremy Burnitz had other goals. Normally a right fielder, he was to start in left for the NL.

"I just hope I don't get a bad bounce off the wall and get embarrassed," he said.

Reds reliever Scott Williamson brought a camcorder to the home run derby and filmed all around Fenway.

"To have an opportunity to step on a field that Ted Williams played on, it's great," he said.

Williams, who will throw out the ceremonial first ball, sounded less enthused about his old haunts.

"No, I'm not sentimental about it. I want to see a new ballpark where the seats are bigger," the 80-year-old Splendid Splinter said. "I've heard a lot of fans say, 'Oh, geez, I wouldn't even think



Ken Griffey Jr., shown here watching a home run shot against the Minnesota Twins in 1993, won his second straight All-Star Home Run Contest title Monday night at Fenway Park.

about going anyplace else." It wasn't that great. The park is just an old park.

With a lot of history wrapped up in that wall.

At times, it was made of wood, brick, concrete and sheet metal. Now, the side facing the hitters is all tin and stretches about 240 feet toward center field.

It became known as the Green Monster in 1947 when ads for Lifebuoy, Gem Blades and other products were covered up with green paint. There's also a thin ladder running to the top — grounds crew members use it to retrieve balls that wind up in the 23-foot screen on top.

One other fact about the wall: The initials of former owner Thomas Austin Yawkey and his wife, Jean Remington Yawkey, appear on it in Morse code. Easy to overlook, a series of dots and dashes for "T-A-Y" and "J-R-Y" show up in the vertical white lines to the left of pitchers' numbers on the out-of-town scoreboard.

Hugh Bradley of the Red Sox hit the first shot over the wall on April 26, 1912 — "Few of the fans who have been out to Fenway Park believed it was possible," the Boston Herald reported the next day.

Sammy Sosa hit his first major league homer over the Monster off Roger Clemens in 1989. McGwire hit 18 home runs at Fenway.

Rocky Colavito connected for the AL in the 1961 All-Star game at Fenway, stopped by rain after nine innings for a 1-1 tie.

Williams preferred to pull the ball to right. He put on a one-man show in the 1946 All-Star game at Fenway with two home runs, including a drive

off Rip Sewell's "lephus" pitch, in going 4-for-4 with five RBIs in a 12-0 rout.

Marked at 310 feet down the line in left, many believe the wall isn't even that far.

"The wall's 290 feet," Williams insisted. "When I first got there in left field, they had a rise out there to let you know you're getting near the fence. But that was taken out."

"But still I knew the wall was only 290 feet. And I had a good conception of how close I was," he said.

Juan Gonzalez was on everyone's mind after the Texas Rangers outfielder decided he'd rather stay home than come off the bench for the AL team.

"I think he is totally out of line refusing to be recognized as one of the greatest players," said Carlton Fisk, an 11-time All-Star and the AL honorary captain.

"I think down the line he may regret the decision."

Gonzalez, the reigning AL MVP, was angered by the high number of votes for the Cleveland Indians. Despite being third in the league in homers and RBIs, he finished fifth in the voting, behind Ken Griffey Jr. and three Indians.

Nevertheless, his colleagues were confounded by the Texas slugger's choice.

"Juan decided he didn't want to be here," Tony Gwynn said. "That's his choice. They are not going to call off the dog because Juan Gonzalez isn't here."

The Rangers gained a second starting player for tonight's All-Star Game when AL manager Joe Torre named Rafael Palmeiro his team's starting designated hitter.

## Sidewinders look forward to atonement

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor

When Big Spring's Sidewinders step onto the floor of the Savannah (Ga.) Convention Center for the opening round of competition in the YMCA National Gymnastics Championships on Wednesday, their sights will be set on atoning for a series of disappointments.

Collectively, the Sidewinders' primary goal is to erase the memories of a 10th-place team finish in 1998 after having been the national champions the year before.

But for Stephanie Stewart, Mikelle Farris and Megan Haynes — the team's three veterans — there are individual demons to exorcise.

Only Crystal Wingert, who'll be making her first nationals appearance, heads into the opening round of competition with a comparatively clean slate.

Stewart, the team's only senior division gymnast, not only wants to erase the memory of being injured and unable to help her teammates a year ago, but is also driven by a disappointing showing at the AAU Junior Olympics National Gymnastics Championships in May.

"It was terribly frustrating," Stewart said, recalling her fall during the uneven parallel bars that started a downward spiral for her during the Junior Olympics in Austin two months ago. "The thing you have to remember is that you can't do anything about the past ... that you have to work toward the future."

At 16 and making her seventh trip to the YMCA Nationals, Stewart is clearly the inspirational leader for her younger teammates.

It's a role she accepts. What's more, she admits being ready to lead by example.

"I'm ready ... have been ready to go for two weeks," Stewart said as the Sidewinders went through their final workout before leaving for the championships.

"It was hard to sit on the sidelines last year when they finished 10th," she explained, remembering being only able to supply moral support in 1998 when she was sidelined with a broken ankle. "But there wasn't anything I could do. This year I'll be able to contribute."

For 13-year-old Mikelle Farris, the YMCA Nationals are an opportunity not only to improve on the Sidewinders' 1998 finish, but a chance to help erase the frustration from a disastrous showing at the USA Gymnastics Region III Championships that left her staying at home when Stewart headed to the Junior Olympics.

"The only good thing about having a bad regional meet is that I've had a lot of time to prepare for this one," Farris said as she prepares for her fourth trip to the YMCA Nationals.

"Last year was just awful, but we're planning on doing a lot better this time," she noted. "We'll have Stephanie to help



STEWART FARRIS



HAYNES WINGERT

us this year and Megan will have some experience she didn't have.

"On top of that, I'm really focused on this one," Farris noted. "I think we've got a great chance this time around. I think we'll finish in the top three at the very least. We've got a chance to win the championship again."

Haynes, 12, has her immediate sights set on qualifying for the second day of competition in Savannah — a goal she fell short of during her first trip to the YMCA Nationals in 1998.

Only the top 80 individuals advance to the second day of competition at the YMCA Nationals, and that field is pared to the top eight performers in each event for the third and final day of the competition.

"I didn't make the second day last year, so that's what I want to be able to do the most," Haynes explained. "When I do that, I'll really want to make the third day. I'm just trying to take things one step at a time."

For Wingert, 13, her goal is much the same as Haynes'.

"I don't really know what to expect because this is my first time," explained Wingert, who's been competing in gymnastics for five years. "I've been looking forward to this since April, though. From what I've learned from them (teammates), what I really want to shoot for is to qualify for the second day. That's what's important right now."

That experience Wingert referred to will be of almost paramount importance, according to Sidewinders coach Russ McEwen.

"This is Stephanie's seventh trip to nationals and Mikelle's fourth," he explained. "They know what to expect. That will be a settling influence for Megan and Crystal."

The way Stewart sees it, that experience is simply a matter of "knowing the ropes."

"That's a major thing, though," she explained. "You know what you're getting into because you've been there. You know what to expect."

Knowing what's ahead doesn't mean there won't be anxiety.

"I know what to expect," she noted, "but that doesn't mean I won't be nervous the second day."

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 14:

Staying focused is important, professionally and financially. You have tendencies to get distracted by others and to make bad choices. Claim your power. Know what you want and go for it. You may become waylaid on occasion. Observe what is going on; recognize where your plans aren't well-formed. If you are single, romance may develop from a friendship. However, you might feel you have to maintain a certain image. Don't be yourself. If attached, your relationship needs attention when life concerns take over. Assume financial responsibilities. LEO helps you make money.

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) \*\*\*Express ideas. Let creativity flow for you and those around you. Pressure intensifies at work. Sometimes you let responsibilities weigh too heavily. Money seems to be a bargaining tool - one you might be unwilling to use. Regroup; think about goals. Consider "plan B"! Tonight: Let another play devil's advocate.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) \*\*\*You are pushed beyond your limits. Rather than losing it, pull back. Your questions are valuable. Brainstorm. Discuss issues with a trusted advisor. The unexpected occurs with a boss or someone you put

on a pedestal. Establish limits, even though you might not want to act on them just yet. Tonight: Home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*Flexibility makes a big difference. Call upon this skill while pressure seems enormous. Could you be a bit negative? Take a walk and think through startling news. Others seek your opinion and ideas. Find what is workable. Communication easily overloads. Tonight: Join friends at a favorite hangout.

CANCER (June 21-July 21) \*\*\*Expenses go out of whack. Sort through what is happening. Zero in on the main problem. Others appreciate your feedback. Rethink a recent decision involving a friendship and key direction. Another cannot handle money. Trust your judgment as you pull the financial wild card. Tonight: Go over your budget.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*Deal with change and pressure by seeking solutions that work. The boss is in a "bah humbug" mood. A partner's unpredictability continues. Don't compromise or let yourself feel intimidated. Keep at it! Laugh through the impossible, and you'll gain. Tonight: Do your thing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*Take time out. Don't worry as much about work and what appears to be useless gossip. Needless to say, you find it difficult to listen to all this. Don't take others personally. Keep

your own counsel. Take a walk to cool off. Refuse to make any quick decisions. Tonight: Run home and cocoon.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*A partner is hard on you once again. How can you be surprised? The message remains the same: claim your power, move on and don't let this person restrain you. The unexpected occurs with a child or loved one. Anchor, knowing what you want. Networking proves to be unusually successful. Tonight: Where your friends are.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*Another certainly knows how to rain on your parade. Opt to move in another direction rather than deal with this person. Your sense of humor comes out with a boss as you work through ideas. Together, you make a strong team. Emphasize what's working for you, rather than what isn't! Tonight: A must appearance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*Your own fatigue could limit you most. Don't depend on physical brawn; rather, use your imagination and mind. You can accomplish a lot if you seek out information. Unexpected developments could jolt you, but they get you going, as well. Tonight: Start planning your weekend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*One-to-one relating helps you smooth some of the difficult issues you are dealing with. Worry less about money, but act in your traditionally

responsible Capricorn fashion. Working as a team helps you see other sides of an issue. Trust your judgment but detach before making a decision. Tonight: Get romantic!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*You act in your usual, unexpected manner and have others grasping at straws. A family member could put you down because of your willingness to let go and move on. Others continue to try to talk you into their type of thinking. Tonight: Where the action is.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*You might not see eye-to-eye with others, presently. Instead of allowing a conflict to get out of hand, focus on work. Complete one project at a time. Screen calls, as you find others most distracting presently. Know what you want, but be willing to delay plans if the timing is off. Tonight: Exercise away stress.

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Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Big Spring, Howard County, Texas this 2 day of July 1999. Clerk of the District Court Howard County, Texas By Colleen Barton, Deputy 2380 July 13, 1999

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TUESDAY

JULY 13

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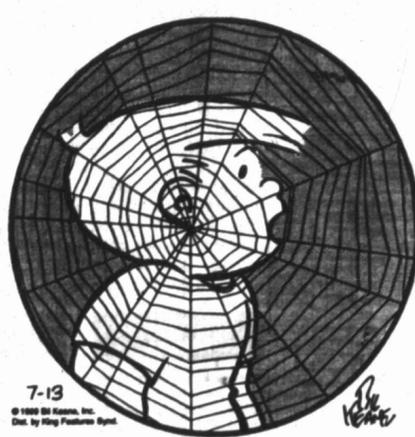
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'WOW! MR. WILSON SURE PLANTED A BUNCH OF PRETTY DANDELIONS THIS YEAR.'

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

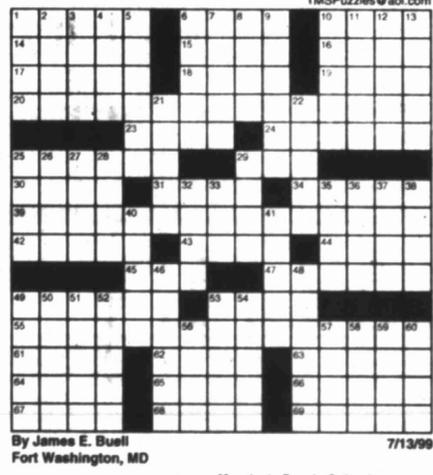
The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Tuesday, July 13, the 194th day of 1999. There are...

171 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On July 13, 1974, the Senate Watergate Committee proposed sweeping reforms to prevent another Watergate scandal.

ordinance governing the Northwest Territory. In 1993, French revolutionary writer Jean Paul Marat was stabbed to death in his bath by Charlotte Corday.

THE Daily Crossword

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Five years ago: President Clinton visited flood-stricken Georgia, where he announced more than \$60 million in aid for Georgia, Alabama and Florida. Tonya Harding's ex-husband, Jeff Gillooly, was sentenced in Portland, Ore., to two years in prison for his role in the attack on Nancy Kerrigan. He ended up serving six months. One year ago: A jury in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., ruled that the Rev. Al Sharpton and two others had defamed a former prosecutor by accusing him of raping Tawana Brawley. Four young cousins in Gallup, N.M., died after becoming trapped in a car trunk. Today's Birthdays: Former Housing Secretary Jack Kemp is 64. Actor Patrick Stewart is 59. Actor Robert Forster is 58. Actor Harrison Ford is 57. Singer-guitarist Roger McGuinn (The Byrds) is 57. Actor-comedian Cheech Marin is 53. Actress Didi Conn is 46. Singer Louise Mandrell is 45. Actor-director Cameron Crowe is 42. Tennis player Anders Jarryd is 38.