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## Positively ... Big Spring

### BSHS veterans to be honored at homecoming

All Big Spring High School Vietnam and Korea veterans are asked to contact Craig Fischer at the high school so they can be recognized during the homecoming activities this October.

Send your name, address, class at BSHS, service time and year to: Craig Fischer, Big Spring High School, 707 11th Place, Big Spring.

You may also call him at 264-3641.

### WEEKEND TICKET

#### TODAY

Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo, 7 p.m., Rodeo Bowl. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. Children age 6 and under will be admitted free.

St. Thomas Catholic Church parish festival. Food, game and contest booths. All day.

#### SATURDAY

Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo, 6 p.m., Rodeo Bowl. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for students. Children age 6 and under will be admitted free.

St. Thomas Catholic Church parish festival, beginning at 11:30 a.m. and lasting into the evening. Food, game and contest booths. Dance.

MS Society benefit with Johnny Blaine and The Spur Band, 7:30 p.m., Howard College Student Union Building. Tickets are \$3 for individuals, \$5 for couples at the door.

Stargazing at Big Spring State Park, 9 p.m. West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club will set up telescopes for those attending to view the stars and planets. Park entrance fees are \$2 per adult, \$1 for seniors. Children 12 and under are admitted free.

#### SUNDAY

Big Spring Junior High open house, 2 p.m.

### WEATHER

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## Dedication, open house planned Sunday at Big Spring Junior High

By MARSHA STURDIVANT  
Staff Writer

A familiar landscape in Big Spring changed with the demolition of Boydston Elementary in 1997.

And as construction progressed through the next two years on a new school,



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a larger-than-life building began expanding on the site until it now seems to reach from horizon to horizon.

And to provide the Big Spring community with its first peek into the new building, an open house of the \$10 million Big Spring Junior High School has been set for Sunday at 2 p.m.

"We're hoping everyone comes to see the building, and if we can't get everyone in at one time, we'll just take turns or have a waiting line or something," said BSISD superintendent Bill McQueary.

The program for the open house calls for school board trustee Frank Long to give the invocation, followed by the pledge of allegiance by trustee Al Valdes.

Larry McLellan, president of the school board will welcome visitors and provide introductions of honored guests.

Irene Bustamante, vice president of the board of trustees, will present the new school, and Mayor Tim Blackshear will accept the building.

Steve Fraser will offer a speech representing the Action

To Build For Children Committee, which was a group of concerned citizens instrumental researching the need for a new junior high school, and securing approval of local residents.

Flags will be presented by Leo Welch of the VFW, followed by Ron Logback, business manager for BSISD, who will provide comments and tours of the building.

The program also will honor past board members Don Baker, Glynna Mouton and Dan Wise, who also had a part in the build-

ing program.

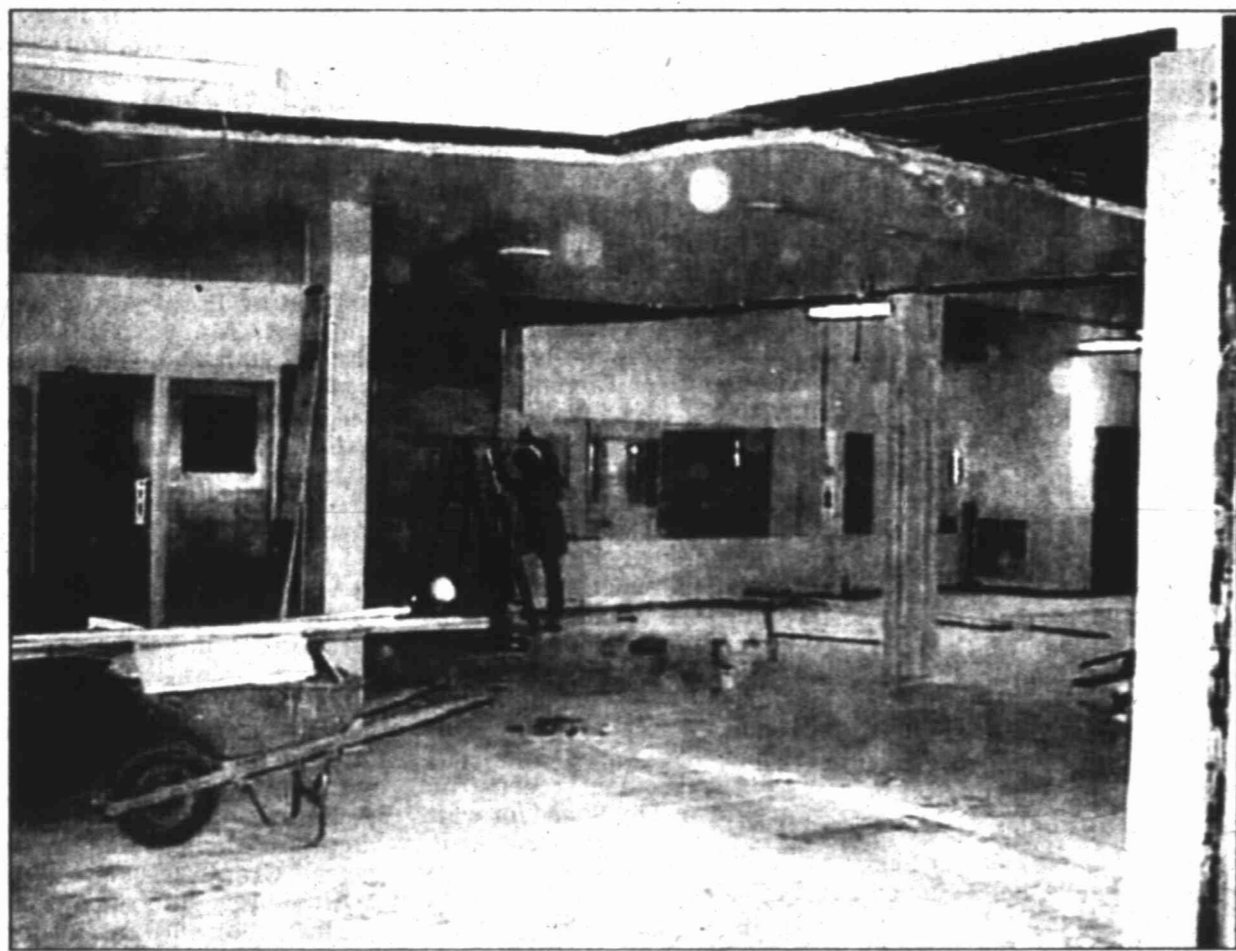
The new junior high school is set to be the academic home to some 700-plus seventh and eighth graders in the 1999-2000 school year.

The expansive, one-of-a-kind building features more than 18,000 square feet, two nearly identical gymnasiums, a stage for theater in the cafeteria, and a mall area with brick ramps.

Construction for the project was slowed during the building

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## 'Y' fitness area getting new look



HERALD photo/Allison Thomas

Construction progresses at the Big Spring YMCA as a wall is removed to expand the fitness class area. This is the fourth phase of an \$835,000 renovation project to improve the YMCA.

By ALLISON THOMAS  
Staff Writer

Members of the Big Spring YMCA have seen significant changes to the building in the past few months as a massive renovation plan progresses. The current phase of renovations is an expansion of the fitness class area.

Located across from the lobby, the fitness class area used to consist of two small rooms, an aerobic's room to the right and a former free-weight room to the left. Construction has commenced to remove the wall between the rooms, creating an area where larger classes can be held.

"Really, it is just an expansion of the current fitness class area. We are taking two areas and making them one," said Pete Thiry, Big Spring YMCA director.



THIRY

This is the fourth section of a seven-part renovation plan the YMCA has undertaken. The expansion of the fitness class area should be completed in the first or second week of August. Until then, fitness classes will be held in another room.

Results of the three completed sections can easily be seen as the remodeling progresses.

An old pool area made obsolete by the modern natatorium was turned into an attractive fitness center containing weights and work out machines. Carpeting, drop ceilings, televisions and music update the area.

The childcare center was doubled in size by removing walls, and double glass doors were added for extra security. New play centers and carpeting were added to the area.

Most recently, the lobby and entry area was revamped to include new offices and computer systems.

"When we finish the fitness class area, we'll move on to the three remaining projects. First we're doing the basketball and racquetball courts in the back,

then the locker rooms, and then the exterior, which will mainly be parking," said Thiry.

The floors of the basketball and racquetball courts will be refinished, lighting will be improved, and a new ventilation system will be installed.

The locker rooms will be completely modified to allow direct access from both the men and women's locker rooms into the main pool area.

"As it is now, we have a long walkway leading from the locker rooms into the pool area. They have to go through other rooms, and that's dangerous and shouldn't be necessary," said Thiry.

Final renovations will be done to the exterior of the YMCA. An additional parking lot will be created along Owens Street, the exterior will be painted, and a sprinkler system will be installed.

Total cost of the renovations should be approximately \$835,000. Most of the money has been from local sources and contributors, said Thiry. Both local and regional foundations have also contributed.

## Guilty

### 118th District Court jury sentences Rodriguez to six-year state prison term

RICK McLAUGHLIN  
Staff Writer

A 118th District Court jury needed slightly more than an hour Thursday to convict Antonio Martinez Rodriguez, 20, of felony charges of intoxication manslaughter and failure to stop and render aid.

Rodriguez was sentenced to six years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for the manslaughter charge in the death of bicyclist Jesse Lee Walters Jr., 19, of Arlington. He received a one-year concurrent sentence for the failure-to-stop charge in connection with the SWCID student's death.

In the punishment phase of the trial, district attorney Hardy Wilkerson called two witnesses, 118th Judicial District probation officer Jim Rutland and state parole officer Charles Harrington. The two told the jury about treatment programs that would be available to Rodriguez on probation and parole, respectively.

Wilkerson strongly recommended against probation and reminded the jury that Rodriguez could get the same alcohol treatment programs in



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prison that he could get on probation, should the jury decide to recommend probation.

Defense attorney Rick Hamby called Rodriguez back to the stand where he grilled his client about his failure to live up to the conditions of his probation for two driving-while-intoxicated convictions in March and April of 1998.

"Has it caused you to grow up?" Hamby asked. "Isn't it time to put away childish judgment? What can you tell us that will make us believe you this time?" he asked.

"I've sat in jail for 4-1/2 months and had time to think about it," Rodriguez said.

Hamby strongly emphasized the seriousness of probation in a pitch for probation while

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## Eagles Lodge playing host to District IV convention

By ALLISON THOMAS  
Staff Writer

Big Spring Eagles Lodge will be hosting the District IV convention this weekend. Approximately 150 Eagles will be in town to attend meetings and seat new officers.

It has been five years since an Eagles District Convention has been held in Big Spring. There are nine lodges in District IV, including four out of San Angelo, one out of Dumas, one

in West El Paso, and the local lodge.

Registration will begin at 10 Saturday morning. An aerie meeting including the visitors from all over the district will take place at 2 that afternoon. District officers for the year 1999-2000 will be taking their seats for the first time at this meeting.

"Elections for officers are at the end of May, and officers usually take their seats at the

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## Public invited to gaze at the stars Saturday

By ALLISON THOMAS  
Staff Writer

Saturday, stargazers and aspiring astronomers will have the opportunity to watch the sunset and stare at the stars during the stargazing party on top of Scenic Mountain.

A yearly tradition, the event gives the community a chance to see constellations, planets and nebulas through high powered telescopes.

Beginning at 9 p.m., the West Texas Amateur Astronomy Club will set up telescopes on the pavilion area at the top of Big Spring State Park.

Those attending will be able to watch the sunset atop the bluff while being informed by the amateur astronomers. When the stars appear, observers should have a good view of several faraway objects.

The planet Venus, second to the sun, should be in view. Venus usually appears as a par-

ticularly bright star in the night sky, and should be easily visible through the large telescopes.

Another planet that should be visible is Mars. Spica, a particularly bright star, will also be seen within the constellation of Virgo.

Constellations and nebulas should be in full view. Members of the astronomy club will be on hand to point out the constellations Virgo, Lyra, Hercules, Leo and Signus.

The veil nebula is located inside the constellation Signus. The constellation Lyra contains the ringed nebula M57, which should also be visible through the telescopes.

A globular cluster of stars can be seen through the telescopes. Named M13, the globular cluster is within the constellation of Hercules.

The Milky Way galaxy should

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HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

American Cancer Society volunteer JoAnne Forrest, second from right, accepts a \$3,000 check from Wal-Mart manager Daryl Holley as Wal-Mart employees Debbie Collins, left and Barbara Morris look on. The money represents matching funds for employee volunteerism at the Relay For Life fundraiser, with efforts led by Collins and Morris.

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OBITUARIES

Ann Hodges

Katrinka Ann Lewallen Hodges, 58, went to be with the Lord on Thursday, July 15, 1999, after fighting a courageous battle with cancer. A memorial service will be 5 p.m. Saturday, July 17, at First Baptist Church of Lake Jackson with Bro. John Hatch officiating. Graveside service will be 10 a.m. Monday, July 19, at the Colorado City Cemetery with Bradley Jay Hodges officiating.

Ann is survived by: her loving husband, Bennie Ray Hodges; her three children, Randall Ray Hodges and his wife, Jacqueline, of Shreveport, La., Bradley Jay Hodges of Houston and Kellie Chanel Hodges Jones and her husband Keith Jones of Houston, and formerly of Big Spring. She is also survived by three grandchildren, Matthew Allen Hodges, John David Hodges and Samuel James Hodges, all of Houston; her sister and brother-in-law, Wanda Jean and Trevlyn Kelley of Roscoe; and her sister, Linda Wilkins of Lubbock; and her father, Luther Loyce Lewallen of Abilene. She was preceded in death by her mother, May Jewel Lewallen. She is also survived by several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews, including her aunt Odessa Wood of Big Spring, her cousin Jimmy Wood of Big Spring and her nephew Nathan Wilkins of Big Spring.

She was born on Sept. 7, 1940, in Roscoe. She graduated in 1959 from Colorado City High School. She lived in Lake Jackson for 41 years, moving there shortly after her marriage in 1958. Ann was a member of the First Baptist Church of Lake Jackson for 41 years. Most of all, she was a loving wife, mother, Grammie, and friend — many of whom called her Ms. Ann.

Pallbearers will be Cecil Dornak, Stanley Frey, Jack Harvell, Edward Jones, Pete Richards, and Bill Walker. Honorary pallbearers will be her five nephews, Mark Biggs, Craig Hodges, Greg Wilkins, Nathan Wilkins, Tim Wilkins as well as friends Johnny Baumann, Charles Castleberry, Cecil Hammonds and Joe Weaver.

Arrangements are under the direction of Lakewood Funeral Home of Lake Jackson. Visitation will be from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 17, at Lakewood Funeral Home. The family wishes to thank Hospice, Visiting Nurses Association, First Baptist Church and its members, and all of the friends who showed us their love, support and prayers during this time. Donations can be made to the American Cancer Society in honor of this wonderful woman who touched so many lives. Everybody loves Ann.

*Paid obituary*

Eddie Lou Gray

Service for Eddie Lou Gray, 60, Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She died Thursday, July 15, 1999, in a Midland hospital.

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Joe Canas

Service for Joe Canas, 69, Cozad, Neb., formerly of Big Spring, was 2 p.m. today at the Berryman Funeral Home Chapel in Cozad with Rev. Joe Tropansky and Pastor Pablo Contreras officiating. Burial followed in the Buffalo Grove Cemetery east of Cozad.

Mr. Canas died Tuesday, July 13, 1999, at his home in Cozad, Neb.

He was born on Jan. 24, 1930, in Coahoma. He attended school in Big Spring. He married Rosario Avalos on April 18, 1949, in Mexico. The couple lived in Big Spring before moving to Cozad in 1952. While living in Big Spring, he worked for the former B.S. Locker.

Survivors include: his wife, Rosario Canas of Cozad; five sons, Joe Canas, III, Joel, Tony, Nick, all of Cozad, Neb., and Ellie of Sterling, Colo.; four daughters, Lisa Lopez of Fort Worth, Alicia Tucker of Kearney, Lily Sardason of Lincoln and Angie Orellana of Cozad, Neb.; two brothers, Ismael of Phoenix, Ariz., and David of Cozad, Neb.; a sister, Rebecca Guerra of Cozad, Neb.; 22 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Berryman Funeral Home in Cozad, Neb.

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phase, first due to an unacceptable area of concrete, and later to the unavailability of brick masons.

Nearly the entire structure is brick and mortar, with steel wall beams and a copper-colored roof.

The open house will allow visitors to view the science laboratories, which have state-of-the-art equipment including a separate shutoff valve for the natural gas burners.

The library features solid oak book cases, shelving and tables, and is also the location of the entire computer center.

In each classroom, a closed-circuit television will be in place. In each classroom, and telephone intercom system will allow the teacher and students to contact any other area of the school.

The student locker area, called the Commons, has teal blue lockers, television sets, and C-shaped, brick rest areas. The restrooms continue the C-shape, with curved entrances leading into the facilities.

A distance learning classroom has been installed, complete with theater seating and an intercom system. The art rooms offer easels designed by the art teachers that will allow the student to face the natural lighting from the window.

Most departments have a work room or storage area built between the classrooms. One hall for each subject is the floor plan, with English classes grouped together as well as math and science, social studies and art.

The band hall features acoustic wall treatments to promote sound, and both the band and the choir departments have separate practice rooms.

All these, and many more features of the new junior high school will be on tour during the open house Sunday at 2 p.m.

STARS

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be bright and clear that night, and there will be a quarter moon. Through the telescopes, it is possible to see craters and other formations on the surface of the moon.

Weather permitting, all of these objects should be easily seen through the astronomy club's telescopes. The event was formerly scheduled for June 12, but was cancelled due to weather. The forecast for Saturday night predicts clear skies.

These telescopes are massive, said Ron Alton, the park manager. "They are three or four feet in width."

The Amateur Astronomy Club is an organization that gives demonstrations free of charge to groups of people who wish to

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learn more about the stars.

The State Park asks those attending to consider carpooling due to the limited parking on top of the mountain.

For all park events, Alton recommends bringing comfortable walking shoes, a flashlight, binoculars, and bottled water. Park entrance fees apply as usual, \$2 per adult, \$1 for seniors, and children 12 and under are admitted free of charge. Everyone is welcome to attend.

EAGLES

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first District meeting in June. Of course, since we didn't have a meeting in June, they will be taking their seats here," said Billy Light, who is a member of the Eagles Lodge in Big Spring.

A Ladies Auxiliary meeting will take place at 3 that afternoon.

The convention will not only consist of meetings, however. Entertainment is provided in the form of a golf tournament early Saturday morning, and a bowling tournament that afternoon at the Bowl-A-Rama.

"It will be blind draw golf at the Comanche Trail Park," said Light. "They put everyone's name in a pot, so you don't know who you'll be partnered with."

The visiting Eagles will also be treated to a barbecue dinner prepared by the members of the Big Spring lodge. The dinner will have an Egyptian theme. A dance will be held at the lodge Saturday night, from 8:30 to 12:30.

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is assisting with the convention by providing goody bags and name tags for the visitors.

"We'll do everything we can to help them enjoy their stay," said Andrea Earle, who is the chamber's director of tourism. "We're certainly happy to have them in Big Spring."

Last year the Eagle's Lodge in Big Spring celebrated its 100th year. The Eagles have supported many local projects, such as girl's softball and the Vietnam Memorial. They have also contributed money to the Harley Owners Group's efforts to buy a thermal imaging camera for the fire department. Nationally, the Eagles are supporters of the National Heart Association, among other charities.

Eagles meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month for the men, and on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month for the women. Light encourages interest in the Eagles Lodge of Big Spring.

"If you want to know about the Eagles, just ask any member," he said.

GUILTY

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examining Rodriguez. He said probation would be "hanging like a sword of Damocles over you," and that "if you so much as stub your toe, you'll be off to prison for a very long time."

He asked Rodriguez to turn to the jury and face them "and tell them you will justify their faith in you" should they recommend probation.

Tearfully, with a soft, almost faltering voice, he did as instructed.

Wilkerson hammered on Rodriguez' flagrant disregard of the conditions of his two previous probations.

He noted the probation terms called for abstention from alcohol, avoidance of places serving alcohol and suspension of his drivers license, among other requirements, all of which he routinely violated.

"At least the streets of Big Spring have been safe for 4 1/2 months," while Rodriguez has been in jail, he noted.

He reminded Rodriguez he was not in jail because of the current charges.

"You could have bonded out," on the current charges.

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Wilkerson said. Rodriguez, he noted, was in jail because his probation was revoked in the previous DWI convictions.

Hamby also called Frances Alcantar Rodriguez, who was his live-in girlfriend at the time of the accident and whom he subsequently married while jailed. It was Alcantar who often let Rodriguez drive her car when she was at work.

Alcantar-Rodriguez and Rodriguez' mother, Maria, both red-eyed and crying softly, asked the jury for probation for Anthony Rodriguez.

But Wilkerson continued to object to probation.

"We have heard Anthony Rodriguez promise to be good before. How many of his promises can the community afford? Look at his criminal record," Wilkerson said.

He noted that while on probation for DWI convictions, "he was having parties, drinking, going to bars when he's not even 21 years old. This man laughed in the face of punishment. What did we get for it (Rodriguez' probation)? The broken body of Jesse Lee Walters," said Wilkerson.

"If he gets probation, this (the trial) will just be another week in his life. You have to punish him and punish him good," the district attorney said. "No matter what he gets, he is coming back home for birthdays and Christmas. Mrs. Walters will never see her son again. He is gone. He will never come back," Wilkerson concluded.

Hamby criticized the work of Department of Public Safety officers and experts, as well as leveling serious charges against the victim and his friend Brian Gray, who was riding with him at the time of the accident.

Hamby singled out DPS Trooper Lee Sneed and criticized the accident reconstruction effort led by Sneed for waiting months for the reconstruction and doing it during the day when the accident occurred at 8 p.m. in February.

"We heard the dogmatic Trooper Sneed speak of mathematical formulas. We heard that light and dark have no effect on their calculations," Hamby said to the jury. "Trooper Sneed would have said whatever it would have taken for the DPS to get this young man found guilty."

"But at least Trooper Sneed could find his papers, which is more than I can say for the Keystone (Cops) activities of the DPS officials," Hamby said, referring to a lengthy delay earlier in the trial when a DPS employee from Lubbock had difficulty finding paint chips he had analyzed.

At different points in the trial, including the summary before the jury deliberations, Hamby had characterized the victim's bicycling habits as "irregular and puzzling behavior" and "dangerous, questionable and reckless behavior" because of alleged incidents in which the pair of bicyclists allegedly came close to being hit by other drivers near Scenic Mountain and later on Fourth Street before the fatal collision.

"What was he (Walters) doing, playing games with traffic?" Hamby asked. "Doesn't that create a reasonable doubt? And if it does, he (Rodriguez) cannot be convicted of the (intoxication manslaughter) charge," Hamby said.

While Rodriguez received a six-year sentence, he can be eligible for parole in 18 months or less with time off for good behavior. However, Wilkerson said current practice is that 70 to 80 percent of the sentence of the court is being required to be served before release.

Rodriguez will be credited with 138 days he has spent in Howard County Jail on his probation revocation.

Neither family was available for comment after the trial, but Walters' family issued a statement shortly before the end of the trial:

"Jesse was studying to follow

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

his dream of working in the movie entertainment industry. He was gifted with artistic talents and never wanted to do anything else. He was always drawing or working on the computer with drawing and animation. Jesse will be missed deeply by his family and friends."

Hamby said he believed he did all he could do and didn't know how else he could have changed his approach to the case. He noted his client gave two confessions on the stand admitting several instances of "wrong-doing."

"The jury heard the facts and lots of mitigating evidence (for Rodriguez)," said Wilkerson. The district attorney said the sentence was appropriate. "I have no qualms. This jury has put in lot of hard work and many hours hearing the evidence. Justice has been served."

SUPPORT GROUPS

FRIDAY

•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

•Al-Anon support group, noon, 615 Settles.

SATURDAY

•Alzheimer's Association Support Group, second Saturday of the month, Carriage Inn Retirement Center, 501 W. 17th, 10 a.m.

•Family support group for current and former patients and their families, 1 p.m. weekly, Reflections Unit of Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Call Beverly Grant, 263-0074.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon, 8 p.m., 10 p.m. open meetings, 615 Settles.

•"So I Forget," Attention Deficit Disorder support group for individuals and couples, first Saturday of the month from 9 to 10:30 a.m., Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, Inc., Midland. Call the center at (915) 563-4144 or 1-800-329-4144. Cost is \$15.

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue & Immune Dysfunction Syndrome/Fibromyalgia, 1-3 p.m., on different Saturdays of the month, HealthSouth facility at Hwy. 191 and Loop 250, Midland. Call Joann Carney, (915) 686-7977, or Marsha Brunet, (915) 337-4829 to get the correct meeting date.

•NA 10 p.m. candlelight meeting, St. Mary's Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

•Open birthday night meets the last Saturday of the month with a covered dish at 7 p.m. and birthday meeting at 8 p.m., 615 Settles. This is to celebrate AA sobriety yearly birthdays.

•West Texans Living with Chronic Fatigue/Fibromyalgia Syndromes support group meets the second Saturday of each month at 1 p.m. at HealthSouth, Loop 250 and Hwy 191.

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

FIRE/EMS

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

WEDNESDAY  
10:59 a.m. — 3700 block Hamilton, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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802 Interstate 20  
(near EconoLodge)  
264-7592

3:05 p.m. — 1900 E. FM-700, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

3:39 p.m. — SMMC, transfer to Shannon, San Angelo.

THURSDAY  
4:32 a.m. — 2600 block Chanute, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

10:29 a.m. — 1100 block Lamesa Highway, traffic accident, service refused.

11:12 a.m. — 1800 block Gregg, traffic accident, service refused.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 50.20 cents, up 27 points; Aug. crude 20.09, down 73 points; cash hogs steady at 33; cash steers steady at 64.50 even; July lean hog futures 47.15, up 25 points; Aug. live cattle futures 63.45, up 2 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. Thursday and 8 a.m. today:

•JUVENILE PROBLEM was reported in the 800 block of Lancaster and the 100 block of Northeast Eighth.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 1600 block of East 11th, the 2200 block of Morrison, and the 1800 block of East FM 700.

•FORGERY was reported in the 300 block of East Fourth and the 3700 block of Connally.

•MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1100 block of North Lamesa, the intersection of 18th and Gregg, the 1700 block of West FM 700 and the 1800 block of South Gregg.

•THEFT was reported in the 700 block of East I-20, the 2300 block of Roberts, the 1600 block of Robin, and the 1100 block of North Lamesa.

•BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 400 block of East Fourth.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1500 block of Sycamore.

•DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED was reported in the 400 block of East Fourth.

•EUSOBIO SAIZ, 60, was arrested in the 1800 block of Gregg for public intoxication.

•SYLVIA ZAPATA, 35, was arrested in the 1500 block of Sycamore for driving while license suspended.

•LISA FLORES, 17, was arrested in the 900 block of Abrams for local warrants.

•MARK VELASQUEZ, 28, was arrested in the 900 block of Abrams for criminal mischief.

•NAKOMAS SAULS, 24, was arrested at mile marker 178 of I-20 for driving while license suspended.

RECORDS

Thursday's high 98  
Thursday's low 74  
Average high 95  
Average low 70  
Record high 104 in 1946  
Record low 57 in 1930  
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# Ranger who corralled rail slayings suspect just 'a cowboy'

DALLAS (AP) — Drew Carter, who dreamed for years of becoming a Texas Ranger, has made his own mark in the legendary crime-fighting force that killed outlaws Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow.

Carter is the Ranger who orchestrated the surrender of Angel Maturino Resendez, a suspected serial killer who was the subject of a nationwide manhunt until Carter slipped the cuffs on him Tuesday.

The surrender at the Ysleta international bridge in El Paso came after 13 days of negotia-

tions in Albuquerque, N.M., with Maturino Resendez's sister. Officials credit Carter's relationship with Manuela Maturino as the break that led to the fugitive's capture.

"It was obtaining information about him and in setting up the interviews, and in talking with them and setting up things, they understood that I could be trusted, and I could trust them," Carter said in an interview with The Associated Press.

"That's what I love about this job," the 32-year-old lawman said. "You don't know what the

next day is going to hold. It's a real neat adventure."

One former classmate at Bellaire High School in Houston said he's not surprised that Carter, a 1985 graduate, easily built a relationship with the suspect's relatives.

"He was always real talkative, a real good listener, very attentive and real interested in other people," said Craig Loewenstern, who works at a Houston software firm. "I'm sure that's part of his job, building up the trust, being a good listener and that probably

helped that lady trust him with her brother."

Born in Luling, La., and raised in Houston, Carter rose through the ranks quickly after joining the Texas Department of Public Safety in 1988, becoming a lieutenant with the highway patrol in 1996. A year later, he was accepted into the Rangers, the investigative arm of the department.

Carter had long dreamed of donning the force's uniform white hat, silver badge and cowboy boots — even if it meant taking a demotion to sergeant,

the entry rank for a Ranger. "I wanted to be a Ranger since I was five years old. It's been a lifelong dream," said Carter. "I've pretty much always been a cowboy."

The Rangers were founded in 1823 when Texas leader Stephen F. Austin hired 10 gunmen to "range" his property and punish hostile Indians for attacks. The original Rangers got \$1.25 a day and had to supply their own guns, horses and food.

The legend of the Rangers and their toughness grew during the Mexican War, as they fought

alongside regular U.S. Army troops.

The Rangers also captured or killed some of the Old West's most infamous outlaws, including train robber Sam Bass and gunslinger John Wesley Hardin, a preacher's son reputed to have killed 31 men. In the 1930s, a Texas Ranger tracked down and killed Bonnie and Clyde.

Today, the force has just 107 members and there are usually between 100 and 200 candidates for each opening, said LPS spokesman Mike Cox.

## Chemical plant denies causing harm to residents

ODESSA (AP) — Jim Souker said his 5-year old son has never taken a breath of fresh air while racing his bike through one of Odessa's oldest neighborhoods.

His home sits directly in the shadow of a huge Huntsman Corp. chemical plant.

"I'm not sure if I even remember what fresh air smells like," Souker said while walking down his street. "There's always the hint of something else."

But when the plant started spewing black fumes last week, Souker knew his worst fears were justified. He is among the 4,800 people who have signed a complaint, saying they believe the plant has hindered their health.

Huntsman Corp. officials say they believe their plant is safe. This week, they offered to pay for cancer screenings for any Odessa resident over 40.

Don Olsen, a senior vice president for the company, said the cancer screenings had nothing to do with the complaints.

"It's utterly ridiculous," Olsen said. "We did this before in Beaumont. We put a lot of effort into finding a cure for cancer because it is one of Jon Huntsman's most enduring goals."

"His father died of prostate cancer. He has cancer. We are just trying to better the communities we operate in."

Salt Lake City-based Huntsman Corp., the largest

private chemical company in the United States, bought the plant in 1997 and expanded it by nearly 25 percent. Residents began complaining later that year and the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People hired a law firm to represent the neighbors.

In January, more than 3,000 people signed forms saying they had experienced health problems because of the plant. Since then, hundreds more have continued to sign up with the law firm.

"I've had problems myself," said Gene Collins, president of the NAACP chapter. "What we mainly have in the neighborhood are bloody noses, respiratory problems, wheezing and coughing. This is happening and we need to have some help out here."

The Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission was concerned enough to allocate \$300,000 for two automated gas chromatographs, machines that collect and analyze dust particles in the air.

"The people wanted a way to ensure that the air they are breathing is clean and this is how we were able to respond," said Andy Saenz, a spokesman for TNRCC.

"These machines will collect and analyze air samples every three hours, looking for dangerous chemicals that could be out in the air like benzene, styrene, xylene and other organic compounds."

## State to begin fingerprinting welfare applicants

DALLAS (AP) — After three years of tests, state officials will begin next month to scan fingerprints of applicants for welfare.

First-time welfare applicants will be affected, as well as those who already receive food stamps.

The index-finger scans will begin Aug. 23 at local Texas Department of Human Services offices.

"Our goal is to reduce fraud while preserving the integrity of these important programs,"

agency commissioner Eric M. Bost said Thursday. "As stewards of taxpayer funds, it is our responsibility to ensure that dollars only go to the truly needy."

A pilot project of finger imaging — conducted in the San Antonio area over the past three years and in Houston the past year — is aimed at eliminating some welfare fraud schemes that have worked in Texas.

A welfare recipient gets thrown in jail and his cousin wants to collect his benefits

while he is incarcerated. The cousin claims to be the inmate, shows some fake identification and receives the benefits.

Or someone collects welfare benefits in one county and then tries to go collect them in another county as well.

The program requires adult and minor parents who receive welfare benefits to undergo "finger imaging." Welfare recipients are asked to provide a finger print from each index finger as well as a photograph

of their face. Officials say the finger imaging works because each time a recipient renews benefits — every three months — he or she must place a finger on the electronic imaging scanner. It's all done on computer. There is no ink.

If the fingerprint doesn't match the image, no benefits are given.

Anyone failing to show or refusing to be fingerprinted will be taken off the welfare rolls, officials said.

## Former Texas DPS investigator to head Rudolph search

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI named a 16-year veteran investigator Thursday to take over its frustrating search for Eric Rudolph, the 32-year-old loner charged with bombing the Atlanta Olympics, two abortion clinics and a gay nightclub.

Steven C. McCraw, 45, who has been an inspector at FBI headquarters here since May 1998, was selected to take charge of the Southeast Bomb Task Force on Aug. 1, FBI Director Louis J. Freeh announced.

Woody Enderson, who has headed the task force since its inception in March 1998 and its predecessor the Atlanta Bomb

Task Force since 1997, has announced his retirement after a 28-year career in the FBI.

The FBI has been searching for Rudolph since hours after a Jan. 29, 1998, explosion killed a policeman and maimed a nurse at the New Woman All Women Health Care in Birmingham, Ala.

Based on evidence gathered by the task force, Rudolph was charged in that case and later in three Atlanta-area bombings, the 1996 Olympic park blast in which a woman died, and the 1997 bombings of a reproductive services clinic and a gay nightclub in Atlanta.

Freeh credited Enderson's "tenacious leadership" with producing the evidence for those charges. "His professionalism and selfless devotion to duty put a bold exclamation point to Woody Enderson's service to the FBI and the nation," Freeh said.

On May 5, 1998, the FBI offered a \$1 million reward for Rudolph and added him to its Ten Most Wanted list.

Using up to 200 federal, state and local agents, the task force has concentrated its search on the mountainous 530,000-acre Nantahala National Forest at North Carolina's western tip

near Andrews, where the sometime carpenter and experienced woodsman grew up. The search force at the Andrews command post has dwindled to a dozen lately but will stay until there is proof Rudolph has left the area.

McCraw has served two years as assistant chief of the FBI's Tucson, Ariz., office, and earlier tours of duty in Dallas, Johnstown, Pa., and Los Angeles. He also was a unit chief in the criminal investigative division at headquarters.

Before joining the FBI in 1983, he was a sergeant investigator with the Texas Department of Public Safety.

## University of Texas center to digitize Texas constitutions for Internet

AUSTIN (AP) — Researchers at the University of Texas hope to preserve the fragile pages of Texas history in the medium of the millennium.


The Jamail Center for Legal Research will use a \$20,000 grant from the Texas State Library to display the state's historic constitutions on the Internet.

A Web site devoted to the project will display scanned copies of the original documents, along with searchable text files.

The site will feature a complete collection of the constitutions that have governed Texas in its days as a Mexican state, as an independent republic, and as a state up to the adoption of the present constitution in

1876. Texas is still governed by the 1876 Constitution, which has been amended 208 times. The project will include only the original, unamended version of the 1876 Constitution.

The scanning and indexing will be done by Information Access Institute.



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## OUR VIEWS

# We salute:

Each Friday, the *Herald* salutes individuals and groups from our community and area who have been recognized for special achievements or accomplishments.

We recognize these special people for working to help make our region a better place to live, work and play.

This week we salute:

• **TCA CABLE TV**, for supporting the Salvation Army school supplies drive.

• **CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU** of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, which announced that through its efforts and others, tourism has made a \$4 million impact on Big Spring through the first six months of the year.

• **CORNELL CORRECTIONS**, which pledged earlier this week to help fund a project to demolish the Permian Building.

• **BIG SPRING CITY COUNCIL**, which gave its go-ahead to pursue a grant to build a new air terminal at McMahon-Wrinkle Air Park.

• **PARENTS** of Big Spring Junior High students, who are forming a parent service group to benefit teachers and their kids' education.

• **AND GOLD RUSH ARCADE AND BIG SPRING MUSIC** for generous contributions to the Home Owners Group's project of supplying a thermal imaging camera to Big Spring Fire Department.

Is there an individual or organization in our community that you feel should be saluted? If so, please send us their name and why you think they should be recognized. We must have your name and telephone number and you must provide it in writing.

## YOUR VIEWS

### TO THE EDITOR:

Our family records indicate that quite a few descendants of the DeSpain family live in the Big Spring area. This reunion includes not only the DeSpain family, but also the Arnold, Overstreet, White, Dickens families. This family came to Texas with Stephen F. Austin's second colony.

The eighth annual reunion of the DeSpain Family and Friends will be held on July 31, in Charlotte at the St. Rosa de Lima Church Hall. Anyone interested in attending is invited.

The family has published a book of historical documents

and oral history about the DeSpain and Arnold families. The Arnold family settled in Texas in the 1820s and the DeSpain family came prior to 1850.

We will be celebrating the 100th birthday of Lottie DeSpain Coleman at the reunion. Everyone is invited to share our joy with our oldest member of the family.

Anyone interested in more information about the reunion can contact Jeannie DeSpain Stevens at 29 Crestline Dr. in Pleasanton or call (830) 569-6172.

JEANNIE DESPAIN STEVENS.  
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## OTHER VIEWS

A California jury... handed down a \$4.8-billion punitive damage award against General Motors in an auto accident in which passengers were horribly burned. Obviously, and understandably, the jury acted both out of sympathy with the victims and outrage against the auto maker. But it is virtually certain that any award of this size will be drastically reduced by either the trial judge or on appeal.

In fact, public trust in product liability cases tried by juries might well be going down the drain with these excessive awards. Many legal experts believe that astronomical punitive damages ultimately will invite strict federal limits on awards.

This week's judgment... went to survivors of a fiery crash that occurred when a 1979 Chevrolet Malibu was rear-ended by a drunk driver. ... What damned GM

before this jury was an internal document showing that the company calculated it would come out better financially by paying for accident injuries than making the Malibu's fuel system safer at a cost of \$8.59 per car. ... In a 1978 case eerily similar to this one, \$125 million in punitive damages involving Ford's Pinto was reduced to \$3.5 million.

More than half the states are trying to grapple with the unpredictability of punitive damages in liability cases, either imposing limits on the size of the awards or restricting conditions under which they can be imposed.

The United States is unique in having a civil jury system and in allowing juries to impose punitive damages. But unpredictable decisions might prove to be the weakest point in the American system.

LOS ANGELES TIMES

# Senate's new independent may signal GOP split

By WALTER R. MEARS  
AP Special Correspondent

Until Sen. Bob Smith quit the Republican Party, its leaders weren't paying much attention to his quixotic campaign for president.

A candidate with marginal support can't make waves. Smith has, with unintended help from the GOP party hierarchy he accused of forsaking conservative principles for polls and pragmatism.

But the Smith episode will be a brief one, unless his switch to independent proves to be a symptom of real conservative discontent and not just one candidate's frustration.

The newly independent senator from New Hampshire said his "gut-wrenching political decision" was to get out of a party that made a sucker of him by claiming devotion to principles it isn't pursuing.

"It's a decision of conscience," he told the Senate. It can't be a good political career move — he now plans to seek the presidency on a minor party ticket, his Senate committee standing is at risk, and he would have to take on the New Hampshire GOP as well as the Democrats to win a third term in 2002.

The state Republican chairman, Steve Duprey, said the switch would signal the end of

Smith's political career in New Hampshire, where he was narrowly re-elected last time.

Smith said that while he was breaking with the Republican establishment and its party machinery, he intends to stay in the Senate GOP caucus and to vote for its leaders, so long as there is "no retaliation or punitive action taken against me."

Senate committee rank is based on party seniority, and Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., the majority leader, has said Republicans might decide that an independent can't be a chairman. Smith is chairman of the Ethics Committee, and in line to be chairman of the Environment and Public Works Committee in the next Congress.

There's more precedent for switching between parties — two current Senate Republicans were first elected as Democrats — than for leaving one without joining the other. Sen. Harry F. Byrd of Virginia quit the Democrats to run as an independent in 1970, winning then and again in 1976. Sen. Wayne Morse of Oregon broke with the Republican ticket in 1952, became an independent, and then switched to the Democratic side.

Morse lost his prime committee assignments when he went

independent. Byrd kept his. For Republicans to oust Smith now would risk the wrath of conservative activists, already complaining about the public scolding the senator got from the GOP national chairman.

Jim Nicholson wrote Smith before the switch that his inability to move past 1 percent in the presidential campaign polls reflected his own redundancy and failure as a messenger. That rebuke magnified what Smith was doing, made it a topic on the Sunday TV talk shows, and stirred angry retorts on the right.

"It's petty and it's vindictive and it's insulting," Smith said of the Nicholson letter when he announced his switch in the Senate on Tuesday.

Conservative Republican Pat Buchanan called it arrogant and stupid. Buchanan said in a TV interview the Republican establishment was almost forcing a fracture with the party's conservatives.

Buchanan said he'd seen reports that he and other candidates might be asked to sign a loyalty oath to the eventual Republican ticket. "I'm not signing any oath," he said.

Smith isn't the real problem. His impact as a minor party candidate probably would be negligible and marginal, as Nicholson said. Smith may wind up running for the U.S.

Taxpayers Party, which drew scattered votes in the past two presidential elections.

The greater risk for Republicans would be the defection of a conservative like Buchanan, to seek to run on the Reform Party ticket, on which Ross Perot challenged the major parties in 1992 and 1996. There's been speculation he might try that.

While Buchanan hasn't ruled it out, he said he is a Republican and is running as one, although against what he and other conservatives call "the Republican establishment."

They mean the lineup of party leaders, donors, and endorsers who have signed on with Texas Gov. George Bush, front-running in the polls and in fund raising.

When Republican Rep. John B. Anderson of Illinois quit the GOP primary campaign in 1980 and ran as an independent, he aimed at the political center, and got 7 percent of the vote, as Ronald Reagan was elected president.

The Republican challenge in 2000, as in every campaign since Reagan's two elections, will be to satisfy and mobilize conservatives.

Walter R. Mears is vice president and special correspondent for The Associated Press.



# What are you really paying in taxes?

Obfuscation is the hallmark of an American tax system that so conceals our true tax burden that Americans will be shocked to discover that they are paying between 40 and 50 percent of their incomes in taxes. The system is so complex, so convoluted, so pervasive that it is time to shine a bright light on the dark shadows. That light could come in the form of a Tax Index (TI) that, much as the Consumer Price Index (CPI) documents inflation, will tell us how much the average citizen's federal, state and local taxes have gone up or down each month.



JACK ANDERSON

Most of our elected leaders do not set out to deceive us, but our system creates an incentive, an insatiable compulsion, that causes them to do so. Take Social Security. This is an intergenerational transfer tax (each generation pays for the preceding generation's retirement), not a savings account, yet Congress discovered the mother lode in the Social Security Trust Fund. It

began with the creation of the Unified Budget during the Johnson administration. This allowed the government to treat surpluses held in the Social Security Trust Fund and other trust funds as part of the federal budget.

This was nothing more than codifying reality because these surpluses were invested in government bonds, which the government then spent. And since the money was spent, it could only be replaced by future taxes or borrowings. The Unified Budget simply removes the charring veil and calls surpluses what they really are: taxes.

Congress then went into high gear, increasing the Social Security tax year after year, until the surplus exploded and balanced our budget. But it was balanced on the backs of average Americans, because the Social Security tax is only levied against the first \$72,600 of income, making it the most regressive tax in U.S. history. (A side note: We hear about the marriage tax penalty that is inherent in the tax tables, but the real marriage tax penalty is in the Social Security tax, because a one-income household earning \$90,000 pays the tax on \$72,600, whereas the two-income household earning the same amount pays the tax on the full \$90,000.)

Did Congress intentionally

set out to deceive us in this way? Of course not. The tax system itself drew them in. They hit the mother lode and just kept digging.

Now with the American Treasury projected to be awash in surpluses, tax-cut plans abound, and plans to replace the income tax with a national sales tax, such as the just-announced Fair Tax, are constantly floated, yet most Americans are left to make uninformed decisions because they have no idea what they are paying in taxes. There are now so many taxes at all levels of government, including direct taxes like income taxes and indirect taxes like import duties, that it is virtually impossible for American citizens to determine their true tax loads.

So we have compiled what can only be considered an incomplete accounting for a typical two-income family, and the result is a whopping tax burden of more than 43 percent of earnings.

(Note: We have used a self-employed example because self-employed people pay the full 15.3 percent Social Security tax, whereas employees theoretically pay half and their employers pay half.)

The reality is that any amounts employers pay for employees are viewed the same as if they were paid to the employees. In fact, any employ-

er would prefer to pay the money directly to their employees.)

Taxpayers: self-employed two-income couple with two children

Earnings: \$90,000  
Primary Deductions: \$9,600  
real-estate interest, real-estate taxes, etc.

Exemptions: \$10,800 for four, at \$2,700 each  
Federal Income Tax: \$13,976 (filing jointly)

Federal Social Security and Medicare Tax (FICA): \$13,770  
Federal and State Gasoline Taxes: \$600 for two cars each driven 15,000 miles per year

Federal Excise Taxes (telephone, transportation, etc.): \$500

Federal and State Sin Taxes (alcohol, tobacco, etc.): \$500  
State Income Tax: \$5,300  
State Sales Tax: \$675 for 4.5 percent of \$15,000 in purchases

State Automobile Tax: \$300 based upon the purchase of two cars every four years

State and County Property Taxes: \$300  
County Real Estate Tax: \$2,600

Miscellaneous Taxes: \$300  
Total tax burden: \$38,821

Americans may choose to tax themselves at a 43 percent rate, but it is wrong for the government to tuck a tax here and surreptitiously spend a surplus there. We need to know our true tax rate. We need a TI.



# Admin

WASHINGTON  
Clinton administration said they didn't believe public confidence in nuclear weapons had anything to do with increasing tensions between China and Taiwan lawmakers feared "saber rattling."

"We don't see that on Taiwan," State spokesman James Spokesman after Beijing announced intelligence officials known, that China's trion bomb.

Taipei drew a threat from China this week hinted that the island

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# Administration downplays importance of China's bomb announcement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Clinton administration officials said they didn't believe China's rare public confirmation of its nuclear weapons capabilities had anything to do with increasing tensions between China and Taiwan. But some lawmakers feared Beijing was "saber rattling."

"We don't see the connection on Taiwan," State Department spokesman James Rubin said Thursday after an official in Beijing announced what U.S. intelligence officials long have known, that China has the neutron bomb.

Taipei drew a threat of attack from China this week when it hinted that the island was ready

to move toward independence. "I don't think it's been as dramatic as other rhetorical episodes in the past, but it is significant," Rubin added. "We don't think it's beneficial for these kind of statements to be made or the reactions to them."

China is known to have exploded a neutron bomb in 1988. But in an extraordinary admission Thursday, Zhao Qizheng, the chief Chinese government spokesman, said in Beijing that Chinese scientists had developed neutron bombs and miniaturized atomic warheads in the 1970s and '80s, without stealing U.S. secrets. He also gave details of Chinese programs to develop anti-sub-

marine microwave technology, missile design techniques and technology to launch multiple satellites from a single rocket.

On Capitol Hill, key lawmakers were concerned about China's intentions. Through a spokeswoman, Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, said, "The timing of China's announcement could be perceived as saber rattling."

Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., senior Democrat on the committee, called China's announcement "quite serious."

"It is an escalation of the proliferation problem," Kerrey said. "They were starting to move in the right direction. It

means they are now moving in the wrong direction. This is not in the world's best interests."

And House International Relations Committee Chairman Benjamin Gilman, R-N.Y., said the Chinese announcement was "sort of a clouded threat to Taiwan at this point."

"Why did they suddenly make this announcement when this has been an understood fact for a number of years?" Gilman said it sends a "clear signal to the administration" and "they should recognize that this engagement with China is not doing what it should be doing."

In light of heightened tensions with China, administration offi-

cial did take care to note that the U.S. nuclear arsenal is vastly superior to China's.

"China, we know, has less than two dozen long-range nuclear weapons. The United States has over 6,000," White House press secretary Joe Lockhart said. "We have no doubt that our nuclear deterrent is strong enough to protect our national interests."

The announcement about the neutron bomb came in reaction to a congressional investigation led by Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif., into allegations the Chinese stole sensitive nuclear secrets from U.S. research labs.

Cox said the announcement suggested nothing that would

take away from the findings that China "acquired weapons information through espionage, including specifically information about the neutron bomb."

"We have the ritual denial of espionage, but apart from that it is the first public acknowledgment that indeed they possess a neutron bomb which they had not yet deployed," Cox said.

Defense Secretary William Cohen said that from a security standpoint, whether China developed its own neutron bomb instead of stealing the technology from U.S. labs was a minor issue. He said the United States was more concerned about other nations gaining nuclear technology.

## Democrats eye tax cut alternatives up to \$300 billion

WASHINGTON (AP) — Even as they criticize huge Republican tax cuts as irresponsible, Democrats are putting together alternatives of nearly \$300 billion that could form the basis of an eventual compromise between the GOP-led Congress and President Clinton.

Just as important for many Democrats is a tax package they can support to protect against GOP attacks on the issue in the 2000 congressional elections.

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., predicted that few Democrats would support the House GOP's 10-year, \$864 billion tax cut, particularly since Clinton is vowing to veto it as a threat to the long-term viability of Social Security, Medicare and key spending programs.

"The key element here is are you going to save Social Security and Medicare, are you going to be fiscally responsi-

ble?" Gephardt said Thursday. "Most Democrats feel you can do a tax cut ... of about \$250 billion."

Gephardt met Thursday with moderate Democrats to discuss an emerging plan that could include cuts in estate taxes aimed at farmers and small business operators, permanent extension of the research and development tax credit, tax breaks for long term health care and relief from the "marriage penalty" that hits millions of two-income couples.

Meanwhile, Senate Democrats reached tentative agreement on a plan cutting taxes a net \$295 billion that would touch on many of the same issues but would also include a broader tax cut by increasing the standard deduction for both single and married filers.

The Senate measure also would likely ensure the alternative minimum tax does not

affect so many middle-class people and include unspecified breaks for struggling farmers.

"It's designed to be broad-based and responsible," said Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., a senior member of the Finance Committee.

Senate Democrats would reserve \$1.9 trillion of the 10-year projected budget surplus for Social Security and allow the remaining \$1 trillion to be divided between Medicare, tax cuts and government spending.

"All the pieces fit together," he said. "Even with the surplus, there's not a lot of wiggle room."

Sen. William Roth, R-Del., chairman of the Finance Committee, was briefing committee members behind closed doors Thursday night on the final details of his plan. Elements released earlier would lower the bottom income tax bracket from 15 percent to 14

percent in 2001, expand individual retirement accounts and 401(k)s and provide breaks for estate taxes, married couples, education and health care.

According to a staff draft, Roth's bill also would permanently ensure that personal tax credits do not cause people to fall under the alternative minimum tax, allow the self-employed to fully deduct health insurance premiums beginning in 2000 and increase breaks for low-income housing.

Fresh off Ways and Means Committee approval of their tax bill, House Republicans worked Thursday to shore up support among GOP moderates who are concerned that it is much too large and is skewed toward the wealthy.

GOP leaders were seen in intense negotiations on the House floor with Reps. Michael Castle, R-Del., and Fred Upton, R-Mich., among others.

## ATM fees up substantially; free checking on rise, feds say

WASHINGTON (AP) — There's a good chance you're paying more to use an ATM at a bank that's not your own. At the same time, though, your bank is more likely than before to offer you free checking, according to a new report to Congress by the Federal Reserve.

The central bank, which compiles a similar report on bank fees every year, found that automated teller machine fees charged by banks and savings and loans increased significantly from 1997 to 1998, as did the number of institutions offering free checking.

The percentage of banks and savings and loans offering free checking accounts, which don't pay interest but impose no fees, increased sharply over the year, the Fed noted in the report released Thursday. Banks with free checking jumped from 3 percent in 1997 to 17 percent last year; thrifts

with free checking increased from 7 percent to 23 percent.

The report found substantial increases by banks in overdraft charges for checks (an average increase of 90 cents, to \$16.65); fees that banks charge their customers for using another bank's ATM (an increase of 4 cents to 7 cents, to \$1.10); and ATM surcharges, which banks charge people to use their ATMs if they are not customers of that bank (an increase of 6 cents, to \$1.20).

Fees that savings and loans charge their customers for using another institution's ATM increased by 7 cents to 8 cents to \$1.05 to \$1.07, while ATM surcharges rose an average of 11 cents to \$1.15.

The survey found no significant increases by banks or thrifts for other kinds of fees, however, such as those on checking and savings accounts and for stop-payment orders on checks.

## Measures announced to protect children from lead

WASHINGTON (AP) — Maurici Jackson's daughter was just 15 months old when she ate a piece of lead-based paint. Now 10, Maurissa Jackson is hyperactive and has problems paying attention. But her mother considers herself fortunate.

At least Maurissa told her immediately that she had eaten the paint so her mother could get her to a doctor, the Chicago woman said Thursday.

Thousands of parents across the country are not aware when their children are exposed to lead poisoning and are unable to save them from serious harm, including diminished intelligence, hearing loss and, in extreme cases, death.

Attorney General Janet Reno

called lead paint "one of the biggest environmental threats facing children today."

Reno, Housing and Urban Development Secretary Andrew Cuomo, Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Carol Browner and District of Columbia Mayor Anthony Williams announced results Thursday from stepped-up enforcement measures aimed at protecting children from lead poisoning.

The 1992 Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act requires landlords to notify new tenants or buyers if an apartment or house could cause lead poisoning. The Department of Justice, HUD and EPA began joint enforcement of the law last

August and started with the district, Los Angeles and Chicago.

Court actions totaling more than \$1 million have been filed against landlords across the country violating the law, Reno said. Four companies owning real estate in the district have agreed to pay penalties, and HUD has initiated 45 cases against companies in other cities.

"We can eradicate this danger to our children," Reno said.

In the district, Chris Leonard, a spokesman with ACORN, the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now, said the legislation does not go far enough. He said landlords should be required to make the apartments safe from lead poi-

soning.

Cuomo called lead poisoning "a silent enemy" that leaves as many as 890,000 children per year with elevated levels of lead in their blood. Most of those children are from low-income families living in housing built before 1978, when lead-based paint was banned, according to information from HUD.

It's rare for a child to eat a piece of chipped paint, Cuomo said. Usually, the lead rubs off the walls when windows or doors are opened or closed and enters the air or falls on the floor in the form of dust.

"The child crawls on the floor, gets dust on his hands, eats a cookie and ingests the lead," he said.



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## Floods cover Arizona roads, trap unwary hikers

PHOENIX (AP) — Almost 7 inches of rain doused parts of Arizona, causing major flooding and forcing authorities to rescue hikers, horses and squealing pigs from the rising waters.

The Catalina Mountains in southern Arizona were hit hard Thursday as thick clouds swept in from Tucson and dumped nearly 7 inches of rain overnight.

Within hours, a 7-foot wall of water rushed through Sabino Canyon, a popular camping spot in the Catalinas, snapping small

trees in half. Several hikers hid inside public toilets and were later stranded as the water spilled over the trails.

A rescue helicopter eventually plucked the hikers from the tops of the restrooms.

In Tucson, George Good and his rescue crew pulled two women from a barn roof, and rescued eight horses. They later moved three gray pigs to safety in wheelbarrows.

"Those weren't trained pigs, they just didn't jump in there," Good said. "We had to pull up

on their tails to keep their feet from digging down in the mud."

There were several other rescues as creeks and rivers swelled, trapping some people.

Grand Canyon National Park rangers airlifted 26 soggy campers out of a campground as nearly three-quarters of an inch of new rain fell. Park crews already had begun clearing what was left of hiking trails in the canyon.

"It's messy," said Michael Polletta, a park ranger. "It's really not like anything I've

experienced before."

Officials have closed the 9-mile-long Bright Angel Trail that leads from the southern rim to the canyon's bottom and part of the North Kaibab trail while crews repair the damage.

Some of the canyon's campgrounds were closed, said Sandra Perl, a spokeswoman for Grand Canyon National Park.

The state is expected to get a break from the monsoon weather in the next couple of days, with mostly sunny weather and highs in the low 100s.

## Judge denies new trial for Kevorkian

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Finding no miscarriage of justice, the judge who sentenced Dr. Jack Kevorkian to up to 25 years in prison has denied the retired pathologist a new trial.

In March, the 71-year-old was convicted of second-degree murder for the injection death of Lou Gehrig's patient Thomas Youk. He represented himself during trial but had legal advisors providing advice during the proceeding.

Kevorkian sought a new trial on the grounds that one of his legal advisers, David Gorosh, provided inadequate assistance.

"The court finds that the allegations complained of do not support reversal of the conviction, or demonstrate that the verdict resulted in a miscarriage of justice," Judge Jessica Cooper ruled Thursday.

She added that Kevorkian had every opportunity to change his mind and be represented by counsel.

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Got an item?

Do you have a story idea for the life! section? Call 263-7331, Ext. 236.

## St. Thomas opens festival with games, music and plenty of food

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN  
Features Editor

At St. Thomas Catholic Church's annual parish festival, there will be something to entertain the whole family — games, contests, a dunking booth, music, face painting and miniature golf.

But the true star of this weekend's activities is the food.

Thousands of homemade tamales, hundreds of gorditas and dozens of burritos and flautas made with fresh tortillas went on sale in time for lunch today. They will be available until late tonight, and starting again at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, at 605 North Main.

"People love to eat," said festival organizer Gilbert Cisneros. "And one of the main reasons they love to eat here is it's all homemade, by the ladies of the church."

Even his wife, Regina, a native of Minnesota, learned to make the traditional Mexican specialties that will be for sale, he said.

"It didn't come naturally to her, and there she was, working right with the others, making those tamales."

St. Thomas members have made about 300 dozen tamales in preparation for this annual event. They will sell for \$5.25 a dozen. Plates of the other foods are also available, at varied prices.

This evening, game booths and the popular dunking booth will open, while a disc jockey entertains. There will be golf, football and baseball throws, a "duck pond" for the kids and face painting.

Saturday, food will be available again starting at 11:30 a.m., and booths will be open all day. A band is also scheduled to entertain that evening.

Cisneros said the church starts planning each festival about six months in advance. It is their big fundraiser of the year.

"It takes a long time to get everybody together and see who's going to do what," Cisneros said. Church members

### FESTIVAL

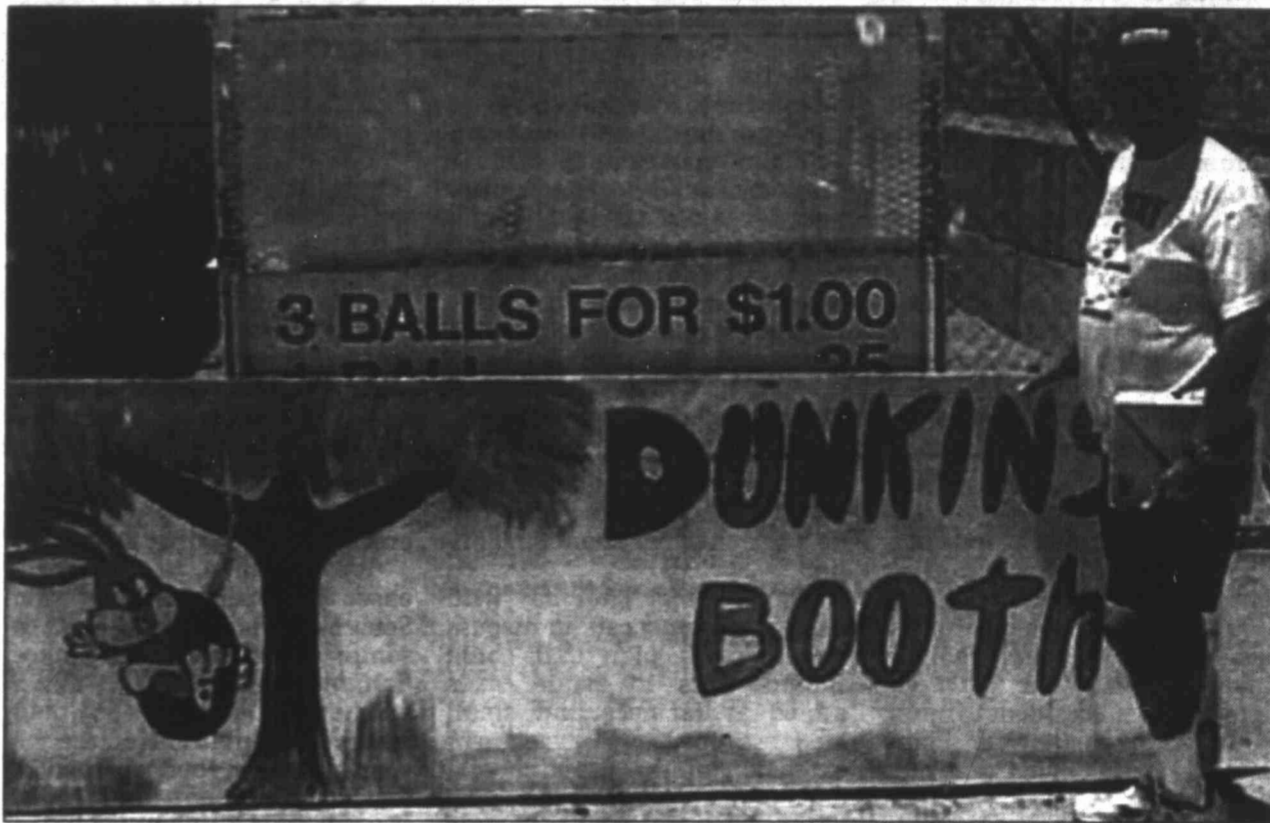
**Today, 605 North Main:**  
• Food served beginning at lunchtime.  
• Booths open this evening.  
• Disc jockey providing music this evening.

**Saturday:**  
• Food served beginning 11:30 a.m.  
• Booths open all day.  
• Band performs in the evening.

pitch in to repaint and spruce up booth fronts and other equipment they need each year as well.

"We welcome everybody to come out," he said. "It's going to be a good time."

The church doesn't set an ending time for the festival either night, but it may last until after midnight. For more information, call the church at 263-4337 or 267-9056.



Gilbert Cisneros, organizer of the St. Thomas Catholic Church festival, stands near the dunking booth earlier in the week, while getting last-minute preparations done.

### CLUB NEWS

#### Sand Springs Lions Club

The Sand Springs Lions Club met Monday with First Vice President Ben Boadle presiding.

Fred Franklin led the Pledge of Allegiance and Burnis Mason worded the opening prayer.

It was agreed upon that one member would furnish the entire meal for the second meeting of each month, and all other members would pay \$5 a meal. Madeline Boadle will do the meal for July 19.

It was noted that prayers were needed for our President, Nell Wright, who fell and broke her hip and is in Scenic Mountain hospital.

The Sand Springs Lions Club will sell mops and brooms during the month of October as a fundraiser.

The 2-A1 District Governor, Bob Edwards, will make an official visit to the Sand Springs Club on July 19.

Phillips Reid and Mike Hurlburt will haul trash for the senior citizens July 31. One new customer has been added to the route.

The Sand Springs Lions Club meets the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Lions Community Building. All interested parties are invited to attend.

#### Order of the Eastern Star

Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star will have a stated meeting Tuesday, July 20, 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple.

#### Texas Tech Exes

Big Spring Texas Tech Exes and friends of Tech 1999 Annual Dinner and Freshman Send-off will be Thursday, July 29, in the Howard College Cactus Room. The cost is \$10 per person and dinner begins at 6:30 p.m.

Your payment is your RSVP by Saturday, July 24. Make checks payable to: TTESA - Big Spring Chapter and mail them to Roxie McDaniel, P.O. Box 2801, Big Spring, or call her at 267-5846.

## Be an encourager Two programs in our community are worthy of your support, prayer

Since becoming president of the Howard County Ministers Fellowship, I have been encouraged by two events I have seen taking place.



ROGER HUFF

One is the Bible class at Big Spring High School. I was given the privilege of addressing this class a couple of weeks ago. Since the writing of my recent article hailing the fact that we enjoy the freedom and support of our community to see the Bible class continue, I have received many positive comments and encouragement. Many people seem to agree with me about the positive impacts in our community and the lives of our teens because of such a class.

Let me address this issue one more time, from a different perspective. Now comes the time for us to put our money where our mouth is. The class is possible only because of the private donations of the citizens of Big Spring and Howard County. Big Spring Independent School District provides no funding for the class.

But this year, nearly 80 students have chosen to take Bible, meaning we could have four classes. This is unprecedented! Is it possible our teens are beginning to see the value of knowing about and applying the unchanging truths contained in the pages of the Bible?

Now it is important we not just talk about the value of the class, but its funding also. Can we give a little encouragement to our students by continuing to make this class available to them?

One act of encouragement goes a long way in changing the attitude and behavior of people. Let's let them know we care. If you agree with the concept of making a study of the Bible available to our students, then demonstrate that support

by sending a donation to the Howard County Ministers Fellowship ... immediately. Our need this year is \$20,000.

If 1,000 people would simply write a check for \$20, the class would be entirely funded for the year. I know there are at least 1,000 people in Big Spring that could make this happen. There are some who could do more and many more who can only afford \$5 or \$10. But, the important issue is to get involved!

We have the opportunity, we have the teachers and we have the students. Do we have your support?

The second event is the Jesus Film project currently taking place in our city. Talk about a little encouragement! Did you know there are over 60 churches who are committing to this effort of reaching our city with the Jesus Film during the month of August?

Did you know there are over 167 Lighthouses of Prayer in our city? People from other churches and denominations, meeting in homes, breaking down the walls of separation and agreeing in prayer with the Great Commission of Jesus Christ, to reach out to people with the Good News.

This, too, is unprecedented! Never before have so many churches come together for such a time as this. This is more than just encouraging, this is exciting.

The news is filled with discouraging information every day. I believe it is time to share a little encouragement with our neighbors. There is a spiritual principle in the Bible that works every time — "What you sow, you reap."

If you sow words of discouragement, you reap discouragement. If you sow discontent, you reap discontent. If you sow encouragement, you reap encouragement. We have the opportunity to encourage our teens through the Bible class and our community through the Jesus Film.

I want to be an encourager with good news. I want those teens to be encouraged when I

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### CHURCH NEWS

#### St. Paul Lutheran

St. Paul Lutheran Church will have Vacation Bible School July 25-29 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The theme is Journey to the Jungle.

Our journey will include Bible stories, creative learning and much more. Dinner is \$1 per person. Classes for the adult VBS are scheduled for the same time as the children's VBS.

Members of the brown bag Bible study have completed "Women of Joy," by Dee Brurtin. On July 20, they begin "A Woman of Value" led by Krista Stutz. Walk-ins welcome.

Two youth of St. Paul, will attend Ceta Glen Camp July 18-23 - namely Ryan Wegman and J.J. Muskoe.

They have invited four friends, Jacob Castle, Coley Hollandsworth, Wesley Parks and Taylor Parks, to attend camp with them. Bill Olsen, new member of St. Paul, will serve as music director.

Members of the Adult Sunday School will continue the study of Mere Christianity, by C.S. Lewis, for the next five weeks. Pastor Steve Stutz is teaching the group. St. Paul welcomes guests.

#### First United Methodist Church

"The Best Investment of All" (Isaiah 26:3-4) is Dr. Ed Williamson's message this Sunday at the First United Methodist Church, 400 Scurry. The message is about where we should put our best efforts in life in order to see a good return. Worship is at 8:30 and 10:50 a.m.

The First United Methodist Church has several Sunday School classes for adults, youth and children. There is a Wednesday noon Bible study class and meal each week in Garrett Hall and everyone is invited to attend.

For more information call the church office at 267-6394.

#### East Side Baptist Church

The Toney Brothers will be in concert tonight at 7 at the East

Side Baptist Church, East Sixth and Settles. The concert will be free, and a love offering will be taken.

The Toney Brothers have appeared with such well known gospel groups as the Cathedral Quartet, The Statesmen, The Florida Boys, The Bishops, Bill Gaither and many others.

Friday night's concert makes the fourth appearance by the group in Big Spring and their third concert at the church.

Doug Shelley, pastor of the church, says, "We are delighted to have the boys back. We know that those attending the concert will receive a real blessing."

#### St. Mary's Episcopal Church

Parishioner Wilson Money will have a pen sale on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Come shop early for Christmas and birthday presents.

There will be a brief training and review for ushers on Sunday after 9:30 a.m. service.

The Vestry of St. Mary's will meet on Monday, July 19, at 5:30 p.m. in Parish Hall.

Pastoral Care Committee meets on Wednesday, July 21, at 5:30 p.m. in the church office.

#### First Baptist Church

In the absence of our pastor, youth minister Jeff Donnell will be preaching for the morning worship service, 10:45 a.m. We invite you to come and worship with us if you are in search of a church home.

During the evening worship, "Reflector," a group from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene will be here to share their music and testimonies. You are invited to come and hear this group. The service will begin at 6 p.m.

Youth, get ready! On Sunday, July 25, at 7 p.m. in our chapel, a new praise and worship time specifically designed just for you begins. Further details will follow.

#### San Angelo Diocese

The Beginning Experience Weekend, an international ministry for the widowed, separat-

ed and divorced persons who want to make a new beginning in life through a powerful, intense and positive experience of hope has come to the San Angelo Diocese. The next scheduled weekend for 1999 is Aug. 6-8 at Christ the King Retreat Center in San Angelo. The Beginning Experience Weekend is open to persons of all faiths. For more information or to register, please call (915)686-0605 or (915)223-8153.

#### West Hwy. 80 Church of Christ

The West Hwy. 80 Church of Christ would like to invite you to our upcoming gospel meeting. The meeting dates are July 18-24. There will be a dinner served on Sunday from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

The afternoon fellowship will begin at 2:30 p.m. and services each evening will begin at 7:30 p.m. The speaker for our gospel meeting this year is Bro. Dan Johnson of Midland. Bro. Johnson is a very capable gospel preacher and we look forward to seeing you there.

#### First Assembly of God

"Shoes For the Occasion" is Pastor R.T. Havener's message this Sunday morning at 10:40 at the First Assembly of God Church, Fourth and Lancaster. When a person puts on their shoes it gives some indication about what they are going to do. You will enjoy this inspiring message taken from Deuteronomy 33:24-27.

In the evening service at 6, Pastor Havener will speak on the subject, "In The Spirit," taken from Revelation 1:10.

The congregation of First Assembly invite you to join them for a wonderful day of worship and praise.

#### Crestview Baptist Church

Randy Gee joins us as associate interim pastor with Clifton Igo as interim pastor and Dwayne Clawson as music director, we are proud of our leadership team.

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### COMMUNITY NEWS

**NOMINATIONS ARE BEING TAKEN** for Samaritan Counseling Center's Family of the Year. The award sponsored by the center, which is located between Midland and Odessa, honors one family each from Big Spring, Odessa and Midland that represents a healthy role model in their community.

The application consists of a one-page biographical form and supporting letters from friends, pastors and co-workers. Information such as number of years in the community, schools, church and civic activities are pertinent components of the selection process.

Deadline for nominations is Aug. 12. Families will be honored Oct. 14 at a banquet. Call the center at 563-4144 for more information and a nomination form.

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

**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.

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**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.

### THE LAST WORD

Man is a blind, witless, low-brow, anthropocentric clod who inflicts lesions upon the earth.  
Ian McHarg

All marriages are happy. It's the living together afterward that causes all the trouble.  
Raymond Hull

Do you realize if it weren't for Edison we'd be watching TV by candlelight?  
Laurence C. Coughlin

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# Ten Commandments hoped to curb violence

ALTOONA, Pa. (AP) — Students filing into Altoona's schools are greeted with stern words of welcome, written in red on glass doors: "Metal detector in use" and "You are subject to search."

This 9,400-student district spends about \$300,000 a year on security. It has its own security force and volunteers patrolling the halls. In this post-Columbine High summer, the schools are being wired for cameras.

All of which prompted the Rev. Gary Dull, a local minister, to offer a solution even more in vogue today than those airport-style safety precautions: Why not simply post the Ten Commandments?

"Since the Supreme Court took prayer and Bible reading out of schools in 1962, we've had a complete downgrading of morals," said Dull, the pastor of a Baptist church and a radio show host. "Every school district is worried about guns and drugs. Before 1962, the big issue was gum and paper wads."

With the recent spate of school shootings that included the horrific slayings at Columbine High in Littleton, Colo., members of the clergy, elected officials and lawmakers nationwide are pushing the Bible as a solution to school violence.

The House of Representatives recently passed a bill allowing the posting of the Ten Commandments in schools and state-owned or administered facilities. In Adams County, Ohio, a group of ministers paid to place tablets outside four high schools to counter "moral decline."

In Altoona, 95 miles east of Pittsburgh, Dull and his parishioners asked the school board in May to hang posters of the commandments in all 13 schools and offer an elective course on biblical law.

"Maybe it will put some good manners into people's heads. There aren't many God-fearing people here," said Veronica Morgan, 16, a junior who is in her church youth group.

The U.S. Supreme Court in the 1960s ruled that organized prayer and Bible readings were not permitted in public schools; 19 years ago, it decided posting the Ten Commandments violated the Constitution's ban of government-established religion.

All of the decisions have been under fire. "This is a foundational historical document," said Bruce St. Laurent, a retiree who runs United Prayer Fellowship, a

group trying to get the Ten Commandments placed in Tennessee courthouses beside the U.S. Constitution and the Declaration of Independence.

In Waynesville, N.C., the words of the Ten Commandments are etched in the marble wall of its courtroom along with a bas-relief of Lady Justice. The county argues it's a historical display and a federal judge backed the county. Local atheists are appealing the ruling.

The debate has been somewhat sedate in Altoona, a working-class town of 49,200. Altoona is battling the problems of drugs, crime and a deteriorating downtown.

School board member Richard Lockard, a member of Dull's church, said weapons have been found in school buildings in recent years, though the district hasn't had any safety crises.

"We put up with no foolishness," said superintendent Dennis Murray, who's opposed to posting the commandments. "You wear a swastika, you're gone."

Rabbi Burt Schuman of Altoona's Temple Beth Israel, said religious minorities have a different take on the past than the Baptists. He remembers being forced to recite the Lord's Prayer at school.

"That didn't diminish the gang wars, it didn't stop racist outbursts, it didn't stop girls from being groped in the stairwell, it didn't stop boys from sniffing in the bathroom," he said. "Let's not be nostalgic about the good ol' days, because they weren't always good."

What makes this debate so divisive is that any old moral code won't do for advocates like Dull. He doesn't want generic musings like "Be kind" or "Develop your spirituality," as the localYWCA suggested.

"It's the Ten Commandments — not the 10 suggestions," agreed Christian Coalition president Pat Robertson. "When the school board posts another code of ethics, it's a recommendation. When God says it, it has the moral authority of the creator of the universe."

Critics say it is naive to believe kids will obey Biblical rules just because they're posted in school. Dull said he is sure the results would show — eventually.

"It might even take a generation to see the ultimate positive effect," Dull said. "But the sooner we get started, the better."

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tell them, "All the funding has come in," before school starts. I want to be an encourager to our community when we share with them a free video of the greatest story ever told, the story of Jesus.

Someone needs to encourage people with a message of hope. I can't think of two better ways to send that message than a Bible class for teens and the message of hope through Jesus Christ. Wouldn't you like to be an encourager, too? You can be.

For the Bible class, make a check payable to: Howard County Ministers Fellowship, 1400 Lancaster, Big Spring. To get involved with the Jesus Film project or Lighthouses of Prayer, call me at 915-267-7015.

Your support through finances and prayer in these two acts of encouragement to our community are much appreciated! Thank you.

Roger Huff is pastor at First Church of the Nazarene.

## CHURCH

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We are preparing for our two day revival on July 22-23, at 7:30 p.m. and invite everyone to come. We plan good preaching, good music and good fellowship.

### Baptist Temple

Fall registration for Parent's Day Out begins July 19. There are openings in all age groups. Classes are for infants and children from age 6 weeks to 5 years. Children are engaged in a variety of learning and socialization activities and preschool classes explore their community on a series of fun and informative field trips. Fees are \$8 per child each day attended and there is a one-time registration fee of \$10. We are open Monday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Please call for drop-in availability. Every parent and child in the area is welcome to participate.

For information call the church office at 267-8287 or 267-4507.

### Living Water Ministries

Sam Soleyn will be speaking at Living Water Ministries Friday, July 23, and Saturday, July 24, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, July 25, at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. services. Sam received his doctorate in Law at the University of New Mexico in 1982.

He has a BA in English Speech and graduated from Seminary at Oklahoma Christian College in 1970-71.

Sam started preaching at the age of 15 and established Churches of Christ in St. Vincent and Granada at 18. Sam and his wife, Lucy, live in Albuquerque, N.M. with their two children.

Sam draws on his experience as a past director of Christian Legal Aide from 1983-88, as well as the Apostolic work he has been involved in from 186-96.

At this time he provides Apostolic oversight to many groups in the West Texas area as well as speaking on the Prime Time Television Network since 1995.

# Defying the Catholic church, Virgin's devotees building a miracle

SABANA GRANDE, Puerto Rico (AP) — Ramonita Belen can still smell the roses at the well where, as a schoolgirl in 1953, she caused a sensation by insisting she saw the Virgin Mary, standing on a cloud.

"Other people also could smell the scent of roses that filled the air when she appeared," said Belen, whose 33 days of visions drew tens of thousands of people to the farming town of Sabana Grande.

Puerto Rico's Catholic church never recognized Belen's visions, which she shared with two other children. But word spread throughout Latin America. Soon a shrine was built for what came to be known as Our Lady of the Rosary. It draws 100,000 pilgrims each year.

Now, believers have upset church leaders by planning a tourism complex, called Mystical City. Its centerpiece is to be a towering, 305-foot statue of the Virgin — about the height of the Statue of Liberty.

Set to begin this year, the project is to have observation decks, apartments, broadcast studios and a sanctuary, all inside the statue. It is expected to cost \$40 million — one-quarter of which has already been raised.

Bishops object to what they see as the Virgin's commercialization. Cardinal Luis Aponte

Martinez, who retired as San Juan's archbishop May 8, urged Puerto Ricans not to contribute to a fund for the statue.

The church's problems with the believers' movement largely began in the late 1970s when one of the child visionaries, Juan Angel Collado, started delivering "messages" from the Virgin.

In them, Collado warned about a future "spiritual and moral deterioration" in the church and its pastors.

That upset church leaders, who eventually banned the celebration of Mass at the Sabana Grande shrine and in 1997 ordered a devotees' association to disband — to no avail. The group claims to have thousands of supporters throughout Latin America.

Before retiring, Aponte Martinez called the devotees' association a "cult" whose leaders advocated unnecessary acts of penance such as habitual fasting and kneeling on pieces of wadded metal during prayer. The group threatened to sue the cardinal for defamation.

"That hurt us a lot," said Jose Ramirez, president of the Committee of the Well, which operates the Sabana Grande shrine. "All that was intended to defame us. We didn't practice any of that."

The new archbishop, Roberto Gonzalez Nieves, has called for a truce while he studies the dispute, one of his first tests as

leader of the island's estimated 2.8 million Catholics.

Critics say that Puerto Rico's church has spent too much time battling the believers' group and too little time on crime, drugs, family violence and other challenges to Puerto Rican society.

"Does it matter whether there was an apparition or not?" asked the Rev. Felix Struik, director of the Caribbean Center for Dominican Studies at Bayamon's Central University. "The devotion is correct. ... There is no reason to say they can't worship the Virgin Mary."

Still, Mystical City could hurt the believers' cause, said Struik, a Catholic priest.

Undaunted, organizers have raised more than \$10 million through commemorative brick sales, sponsorships of statue sections and fund-raisers in Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Miami and elsewhere. They also hope to issue bonds to pay for construction.

Mystical City president Carlos Humberto Mercader said nearly all permits — including one from the Federal Aviation Administration because of the statue's height — are in place. Barring a new challenge from the church, government or other quarters, he said builders hope to finish by 2001.

"It will be a lighthouse of hope," Mercader said.

# West Texas minister has cowboy poet as alter ego

ABILENE, (AP) — "I'll try with all my might to do the very best I can, to be good and not backslide Lord, if you could help me out, I sure would be much obliged."

Those are words you'd expect from the crusty Biscuits O'Bryan, but certainly not from the Rev. Monte Jones, a retired Episcopal priest who lives in Colorado City.

But if you get Biscuits, you get the parson, too. They're one and the same and have been since Jones reinvented himself

into the cowboy poet Biscuits O'Bryan 12 years ago.

Jones served the Episcopal churches in Snyder and Colorado City from 1977-84 before moving to Sonora to be rector of the church there. Since his retirement in February 1998, Jones and his wife, Virginia, have made their home in Colorado City.

Jones served as the supply priest for All Saints Episcopal Church in Colorado City and St. Stephen's in Sweetwater for a year after his retirement

until a permanent priest was hired. Although Jones can frequently be found in a church, you need to find a place where cowboy poets hang out to chat with Biscuits.

He was a headliner at the poetry reading recently during the annual Texas Cowboy Reunion in Stamford. Although Biscuits turns up often for cowboy poetry reading events, don't expect him at any competitions, where the pay is strictly in the form of plaques and congratulations.

## ODDS-N-ENDS

PENN HILLS, Pa. (AP) — Some kids pop open fire hydrants to cool off in summer. In suburban Pittsburgh, they play in the mud.

About 140 children got dirty Wednesday in the 24th Mud Decathlon at Duff Park in Penn Hills.

"It doesn't get any better than this," Kevin Belies said after covering himself from head to toe.

Each year, the community sets up a muddy obstacle course including plastic slides, tires filled with muddy water and two mud bogs — one to be crossed on stomachs, the other on backs. Racers had to do push-ups and sit-ups in mud

and then roll over a bale of hay.

Most finished the course in less than 90 seconds. Brittany Wilmer was named Muddiest Girl, Joshua Casey the Muddiest Boy.

Tracy Roman issued a "no T-shirts, no socks" rule for her 10-year-old son, J.T. "Once you get socks messy, you never get the white back," she said.

After the race, 6-year-old Alexa Jones waited in line to get hosed down and reported that she felt heavy from all the mud on her hair and face.

"She's not like her sister Chloe, a mud person," said Alexa's mother, Linda Jones.

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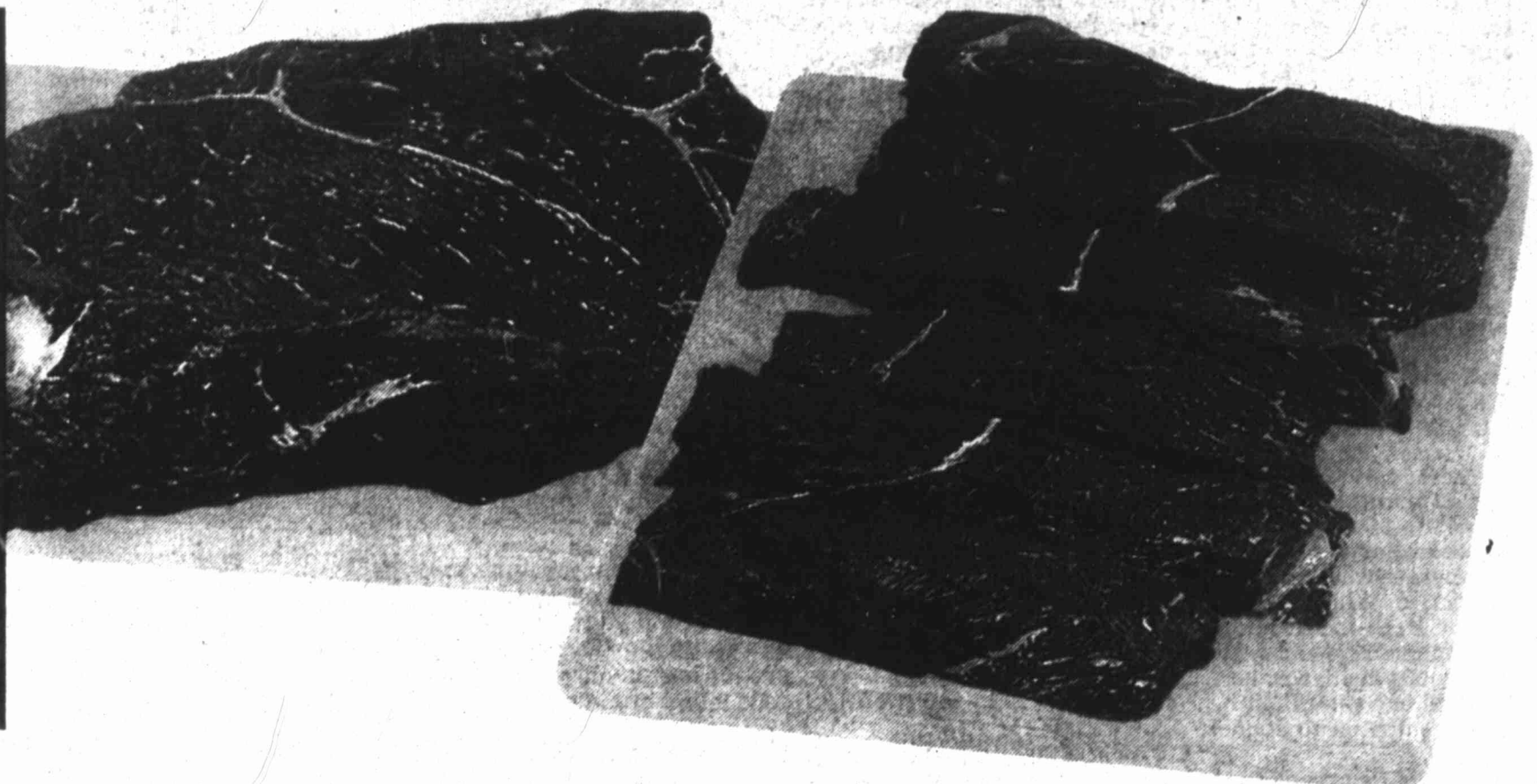
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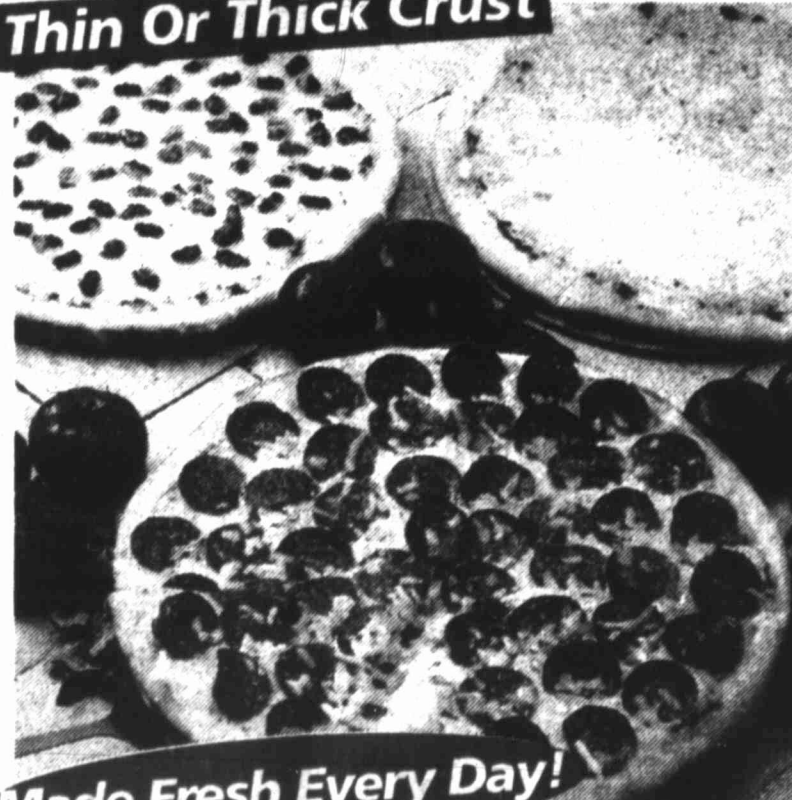
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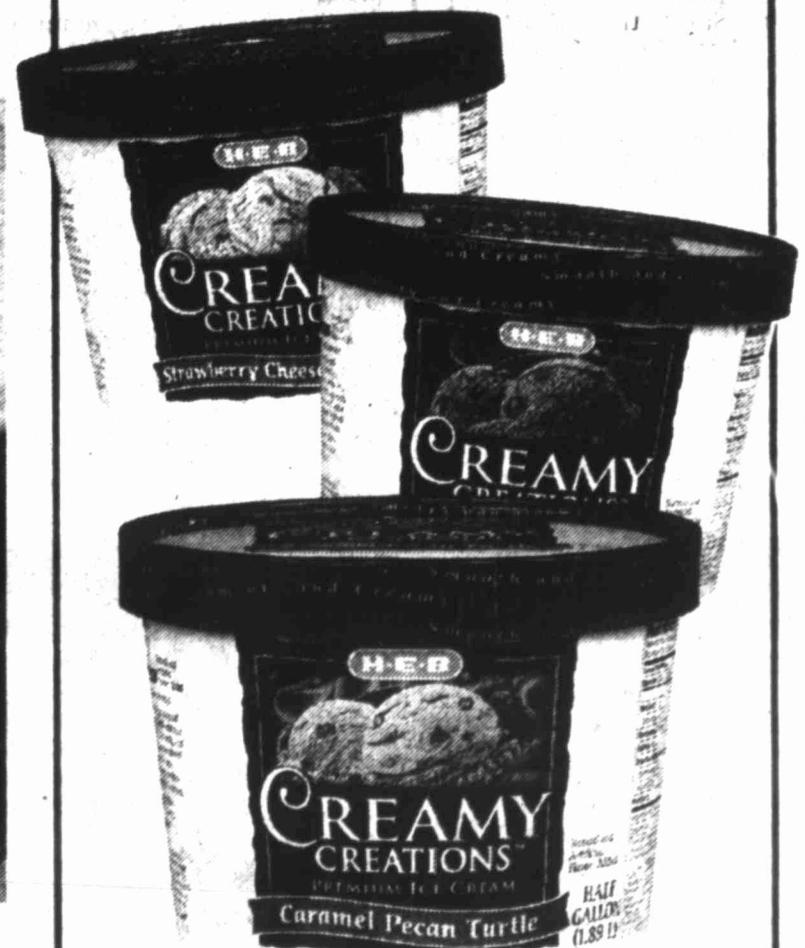
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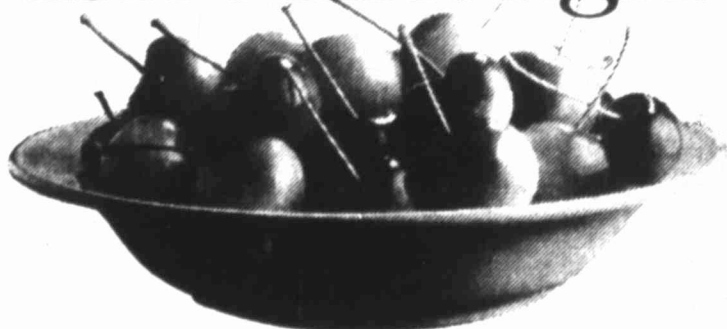
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### IN BRIEF

#### Stewart reaches finals at YMCA national meet

Stephanie Stewart of Big Spring posted a 37.05 point total Thursday and advanced to today's finals in three events at the YMCA National Gymnastics Championships in Savannah, Ga.

Stewart, the only member of the Big Spring YMCA Sidewinders team to reach the second day of competition, entered today's finals second in the uneven parallel bars after surviving a fall and a fall that left her with a 9.1 score.

She added a 9.425 in the vault, improving her standing to fourth in the field and was fifth in the balance beam competition entering the finals.

#### All-Stars squad unbeaten at UGSA Div. III tourney

Big Spring's All-Stars went into this morning's quarterfinals of the United Girls Softball Association Division III District Tournament in Abilene with a perfect 7-0 record.

That quarterfinal game saw Big Spring facing the only team that has really challenged them at all, Abilene North's Red squad.

Big Spring opened pool play with a 9-8 win over Abilene North's team, the Big Spring squad beat Forsan, 6-0; Abilene South Blue, 8-3; Coahoma, 8-1; and Lovington (N.M.) All-Stars, 5-0.

They followed that with a 9-3 win over Lovington (N.M.) Extreme and then beat Lovington's All-Stars 5-3 on Thursday night as the double-elimination tournament began.

Lindsay Wilks came up with two impressive defensive plays, throwing out runners from right field, in the win over the All-Stars.

But the biggest defensive play of the weekend came in the final pool game when outfielder Samantha Newton, third baseman Courtney Brock and second baseman Erica Stewart combined for the only triple play of the tournament.

Offensively, Ashley Lang, Leina Braxton, Erica Stewart and Bridget Cain have led an attack that has seen every member of the team provide hits as the Big Spring squad has outscored the competition 50-18.

Stewart, Gain, Lang and Jennifer Lopez have provided the team with solid pitching performances.

#### Hilger among winners during PBLGA playday

Jo Ann Hilger, a member of the Comanche Trail Ladies Golf Association, was among the winners Thursday during Permian Basin Ladies Golf Association playday action in Midland.

Hilger posted a net score of 72 to take first place in the second flight, winning a playoff with Evelyn Davis of the Greentree Country Club.

#### Softball tournament set July 30-31 at Mize Field

The first Cedar Hill Cricket Softball Tournament has been scheduled for July 30-31 at Cotton Mize Field in Comanche Trail Park.

Entry fees are \$120 per team and must be paid prior to each team's first game.

T-shirts will be awarded to players on the first-through third-place teams and the fourth-place team will receive a trophy.

For more information call Cruz Sanchez at 267-3224 or George Herrera at 394-4670.

### ON THE AIR

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**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**  
7:10 p.m. — Arizona Diamondbacks at Texas Rangers, KBST-AM 1490.

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**AUTO RACING**  
9 p.m. — World of Outlaws Eldora Clash, TNN, Ch. 35.  
**MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL**  
6:30 p.m. — Atlanta Braves at New York Yankees, TBS, Ch. 11.  
7:30 p.m. — Arizona Diamondbacks at Texas Rangers, FXS, Ch. 29.

## Rangers rally for 3-2 win over Johnson, Diamondbacks

ARLINGTON (AP) — Once again, the Texas Rangers proved that they couldn't beat Randy Johnson. Matt Mantei was a different story.

Mark McLemore hit a three-run double off the newly acquired Arizona reliever with two outs in the ninth inning Thursday night, stealing a 3-2 victory over the Diamondbacks and spoiling yet another solid performance by Johnson.

Johnson, who has a 14-5 career record against Texas, struck out eight and allowed only six hits in eight shutout innings.

Mantei relieved him in the ninth, and appeared ready to post his 12th save of the year when he retired the first two batters he faced.

But Mantei (1-3) then walked three consecutive pinch-hitters, a feat that has only happened twice this century. With

the bases loaded, McLemore doubled to right-center.

"The emotions started going and we all felt that something good was going to happen," said Rick Helling, who pitched eight strong innings for the Rangers, but didn't get a decision. "It was a great way to end it."

After striking out Todd Zeile and forcing Ruben Mateo to ground out, Mantei faced three left-handers who were available to pinch-hit because Texas manager Johnny Oates didn't want to start them against Johnson.

Rusty Greer, Rafael Palmeiro and Lee Stevens all had great at-bats to draw walks against Mantei. When McLemore doubled to win it, it was the third time in four batters that Mantei was one strike away from an Arizona win.

"I turned an easy save situation into a

loss," Mantei said. "Randy pitched his butt off and I couldn't finish it."

It was yet another hard-luck loss for Johnson, who has received only two runs of support in his last 42 innings pitched. The Diamondbacks were shut out in his previous four starts.

The 6-foot-10-inch left-hander has dominated the Rangers this season, allowing only two runs in 16 innings. Of the six hits he allowed Thursday, five of them came with two outs.

Arizona manager Buck Showalter said it was an "easy decision" to bring Mantei in for the ninth. But Johnson hinted that he would have liked the chance to go for the shutout.

"It wasn't my call," Johnson said. "I'd like to finish what I start, but it's not up to me."

But for the 15th time this season, the

Arizona bullpen blew a save opportunity. Mantei was acquired from Florida last week to remedy that problem, and Arizona players are wondering if the trend will ever stop.

"I didn't know what to say to Johnson," Arizona catcher Damian Miller said. "It's like we're snake-bitten or something."

For the Rangers, the comeback stopped a skid in which they lost six of eight games entering the All-Star break. Oates said it also could help the team's confidence in its ability to win close games.

"This was as an exciting win as we've had all season," Oates said. "We beat a good pitcher even though he was in the dugout when the game ended."

Despite failing to get the win, Helling had his best outing since May 21. The right-hander struck out four.

## Jimmy Taylor honored at rodeo

### Big Spring's Middleton takes leads

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor

A lifetime of devotion to agriculture, his community and its youth was observed Thursday evening as it was announced that the 54th annual Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo has been dedicated to Jimmy Taylor of Big Spring.

As youngsters from across Texas and New Mexico prepared to display their talents, Taylor was recognized for his long-standing dedication to the 4-H program in Howard County.

Taylor, who came to Big Spring in the early 1950s as Howard County's agricultural agent, left that post in 1965 to accept a vice-president's post at the First National Bank of Big Spring.

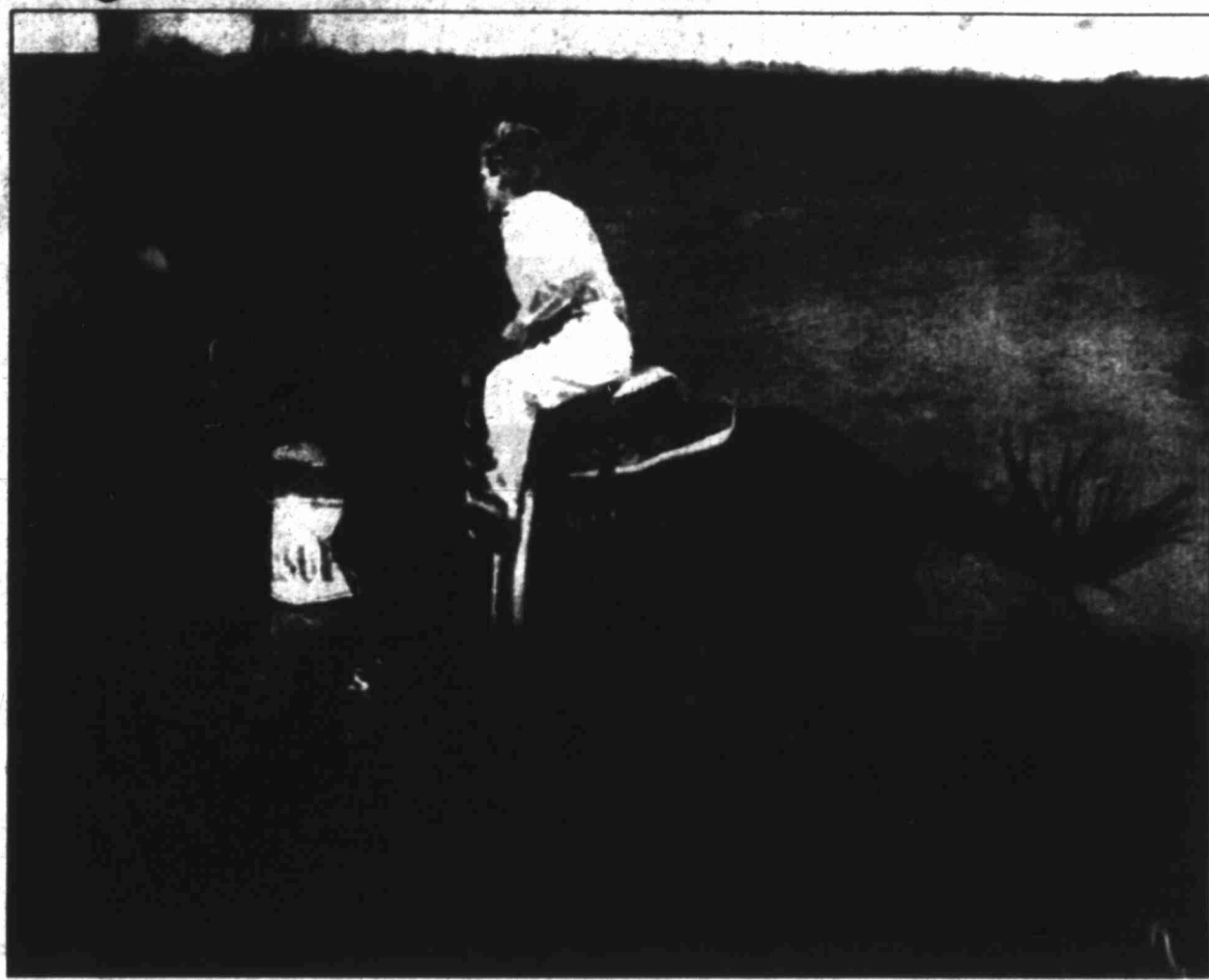
During his tenure as county agent, he developed a strong 4-H program for Howard County, and even after leaving the extension service spent several years as an adult 4-H volunteer, particularly in the 4-H Club's horse program.

After four years of heading the bank's agricultural lending program, he became the institution's president in 1969, continuing to stress the firm's commitment to the area's farmers and ranchers.

Taylor also has served his community in a number of other avenues. He has twice served as president of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce; was a founder and currently serves as a director of the Big Spring Industrial Foundation; was a long-time member of the Big Spring Cowboy Reunion and Rodeo Association's board of directors; is a director and chairman of the Dora Roberts Foundation; and takes an active part in annual United Way of Big Spring and Howard County drives.

He has been honored as the Man of the Year in Agriculture by the Texas County Agricultural Agents Association and a recipient of the Man of the Year Award presented by the Chamber of Commerce.

Following his retirement from the bank, Taylor continues to pursue his interest in the breeding and training of barrel racing and performance horses. The horses he has



Lauren Middleton of Big Spring leads her horse around a barrel before racing back to the finish line to take the lead in the 16-19 barrel racing competition at the 54th annual Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo on Thursday. The rodeo continues with performances at 7 tonight and at 6 p.m. Saturday.

raised are highly-prized by rodeo competitors throughout the region.

It was somewhat fitting that the opening night of a rodeo dedicated to Taylor would feature very little in the way of rough stock performances, but a lengthy schedule of riding and roping events.

The first performance proved to be a big night for the only local competitor scheduled Thursday, as Lauren Middleton took the lead in the girls' 16-19 barrel racing with a 17.508 clocking, posted an 8.658 time in the goat tying to lead that event and was second in the breakaway roping with a time of 5.310 seconds.

Here are results from Thursday's opening performance of the 54th Howard County 4-H Junior Rodeo sanctioned by the High Plains Junior Rodeo Association.

- 8-Under Calf Riding**  
1. Logan Helton, Amarillo, 62 points; 2. Lane Hall, Pampa, 56 points.
- 9-12 Steer Riding**  
1. Jake Cardwell, Crane, 61 points; 2. Stormy Wing, Dalhart, 58 points.
- 16-19 Bull Riding**  
1. Ben Cook, Lubbock, 66 points.
- 13-15 Tie Down Roping**

1. Justin Nevarez, Denver City, 9.992; 2. Brad Good, Kenna, N.M., 11.935; 3. Sterling Morris, Andrews, 14.847.

- 16-19 Tie Down Roping**  
1. Josh Morris, Lazbuddie, 12.684; 2. Neal Stanfield, Clovis, N.M., 13.361; 3. Vin Fisher, Andrews, 24.537.

- 8-Under Barrel Racing**  
1. Logan Helton, Amarillo, 18.192; 2. Jesse Clark, Portales, N.M., 18.304; 3. Dylan Sant, Rogers, N.M., 20.994.
- 9-12 Barrel Racing**  
1. Lindsey Ewing, Midland, 17.653; 2. Kodi Armitage, Elida, N.M., 17.672; 3. Lacey Edwards, Midland, 17.673.

- 13-15 Barrel Racing**  
1. Jaci Sant, Rogers, N.M., 17.759; 2. Kimberly Howard, Elida, N.M., 18.202; 3. Kali Froneberger, Ira, 18.448.

- 16-19 Barrel Racing**  
1. Lauren Middleton, Big Spring, 17.508; 2. Katie Kirles, Carlsbad, N.M., 17.972; 3. Veronica Williams, Snyder, 18.834.

- 8-Under Pole Bending**  
1. Cameron Callan, Roby, 22.422; 2. Clay Brown, Stephenville, 22.777.

- 9-12 Pole Bending**  
1. Lindsey Ewing, Midland, 25.847; 2. Taylen Gregory, Pampa, 26.824; 3. Chelsey Callan, Roby, 27.311.

- 13-15 Pole Bending**  
1. Jaci Sant, Rogers, N.M.,

- 21.283; 2. Ashley Kinsolving, Tatum, N.M., 21.497.

- 16-19 Pole Bending**  
1. Lacy Roberts, Ira, 26.727; 2. Darcee Purcell, Hobbs, N.M., 26.825.

- 16-19 Team Roping**  
1. Josh Morris, Lazbuddie, and Jody Crosthwaite, Elida, N.M., 9.483; 2. Shelley York, Snyder, and Cody King, Slaton, 10.329; 3. J.D. Kibbe, Portales, N.M., and Jed Middleton, Lubock, 12.097.

- 13-15 Team Roping**  
1. Jake and Jimmie Cooper, Nonument, N.M., 7.577; 2. J. Tom Fisher and Sterling Morris, Andrews, 8.814; 3. Brad Good, Elida, N.M., and Koby Smith, Portales, N.M., 11.500.

- 9-12 Steer Stopping**  
1. Stelson Vest, Childress, 3.690; 2. Chance Kitchens, Denver City, 11.553; 3. Jake Brown, Stephenville, 15.847.

- 8-Under Breakaway Roping**  
1. Trent Bilberry, Elida, N.M., 21.936.

- Girls 9-12 Breakaway**  
1. Cassandra Clark, Portales, N.M., 12.016; 2. Lacey Edwards, Midland, 17.313.

- Boys 9-12 Breakaway**  
1. John Clark, Pecos, 2.946; 2. Stelson Vest, Childress, 3.148; 3. Jake Caldwell, Crane, 4.059.

- Girls 13-15 Breakaway**  
1. Kenna Armitage, Elida,

See **RODEO**, page 2B

## Belgian takes 11th stage win as others rest

SAINT-ETIENNE France (AP) — A factory worker, Ludo Dierckxsen decided to become a professional cyclist at an age when many riders are already pondering retirement.

Judging by the nature of his victory on the 11th stage of the Tour de France on Thursday, the 35-year-old Dierckxsen is determined to savor every minute.

"Coming just two weeks after becoming Belgian champion, this is a dream," said Dierckxsen, who punched the air in delight and blew kisses to the crowd even before crossing the finishing line.

Dierckxsen turned professional in 1994. Although he is one of the cycling circuit's veterans, he believes he'll be able to compete at the top level for another two or three years.

At an event like the Tour de France, Dierckxsen plays a vital, although unsung, role for his team — Italy's Lampre — as someone who nurses the team's stars in his slipstream, tactically blocking off its rivals.

It's hardly glamorous, but on a day like Thursday when most of the leaders at the tour — including top three Lance Armstrong, Abraham Olano and Alex Zulle — were happy to sit back and rest their muscles after two punishing days in the Alps, the Belgian grabbed his chance.

"At last I've done it!" he rejoiced after his stage victory.

Although it was a low-key race, his victory was a refreshing one. But it didn't change the overall standings. Going into the race, Dierckxsen was trailing overall leader Armstrong by 1 hour, 14 minutes and 33 seconds.

The International Cycling Union authorities today carried out the third set of blood tests on 40 riders from eight teams, including Armstrong's U.S. Postal Service team. Tour president Jean-Marie Leblanc said all the results turned out negative.

However, tensions from last year's doping scandal reemerged today, when Christophe Bassons, an outspoken critic of drug taking, quit the race, claiming that he had been told to keep quiet by other riders.

Bassons, who wrote in a newspaper column that he only takes "clear water," claims that Armstrong was among those who told him to keep his thoughts to himself on doping.

In second place Thursday was Dmitri Konyshyev of Russia, 1 minute 27 seconds behind. He narrowly edged out Kazakhstan's Alexandre Vinokourov.

## Too late to cut rough, even as scores soar British Open

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland (AP) — It's too late to cut the rough, even if the guy leading the tournament can show them how. That leaves British Open officials only one option before their tournament veers out of control — pray for the wind to stop blowing.

A course set up to be tough became brutal in Thursday's first round, embarrassing both the players who struggled to break 80 and the Royal & Ancient types who seemed surprised that the wind blows on the northeast coast of Scotland.

They found out it does, helping send mishit golf balls into places only sheep would normally venture. Players slashed away in knee-deep grass as frustrations mounted and tempers flared.

Forget about the Carnoustie Golf Links being the toughest Open course. For one

day, at least, it was the toughest course in the world.

"I don't think the Open will be coming back here," David Duval said after shooting a 79.

For at least another three days, it will. And that might be scarier to the world's best players than the rough and pot bunkers that litter the overgrown monster.

Two rounds will be exhausting enough. Four seems almost impossible if the wind continues to blow.

"It could actually be a place where people wish they miss the cut," Payne Stewart said after a 79 of his own.

Shooting a high score won't even guarantee that, after a day players spent trying to squeeze drives onto fairways as narrow as two car lengths in some parts. If they missed by one a foot or two, they

found themselves in knee-deep rough.

With the wind blowing Thursday, that was a lethal combination as 57 golfers shot 80 or higher and no one broke par. The field averaged 78.3 strokes a round.

"It was vicious," Stewart said.

Not to Rodney Pampling, it wasn't. The former Australian greenskeeper got a break by being in the second group out, when winds were light, and responded with an even-par 71 that gave him an unlikely lead.

With his background, Pampling could help cut the rough for his fellow competitors. But there is little either he or the R&A can do about the wind.

"The forecast is for less wind tomorrow, so the scores could be better," said Michael Bonallack, chairman of the championship committee. "We hope they are."

They couldn't be much worse. And neither could the logic used in setting up the course with the idea that the wind wouldn't blow.

"I suppose you could say we got unlucky to get winds like this," Bonallack said. "I mean, it's July and supposed to be summer."

Defending champion Mark O'Meara, last seen at a British Open holding the claret jug in victory, shot an 83 and left the course in embarrassment. Five-time champion Tom Watson, who won the last time they held a tournament here in 1975, was only a stroke better at 82.

But no collapses were more spectacular than that of teen-age sensation Sergio Garcia, who came into his round thinking of winning and left in his mother's arms after shooting an 89 that began with a triple-bogey.

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Texas Tech exes schedule dinner, 'freshman send-off'

The Big Spring Area Texas Tech Exes Association has scheduled its 1999 Dinner and Freshman Send-off for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 29, in the Cactus Room of the Howard College Student Union Building.

Red Raiders defensive line coach Jason Clemmons, will join Dr. David Smith, president of the Texas Tech Health Science Center, and Dr. Bill Dean, executive vice president of the Texas Tech Ex-Students Association, as speakers for the program.

Tickets are priced at \$10 each and all members of the community are encouraged to attend.

Dierker comes back with comeback

The Houston Astros gave Larry Dierker a thrilling victory in his first game back after brain surgery.

The Arizona Diamondbacks still can't get Randy Johnson a victory, no matter how well he pitches.

Dierker returned as Houston's manager Thursday night and saw the Astros overcome a six-run deficit to beat the Detroit Tigers 8-6.

"It was a wonderful comeback to come back with a comeback win," said Dierker, who collapsed in the dugout on June 13 and had surgery two days later to repair malformed blood vessels.

The Astros, 13-14 under interim manager Matt Galante, fell behind 6-0 before rallying at the Astrodome.

Jeff Bagwell hit a three-run homer in the fifth and Houston added two runs in the sixth on Tim Bogar's RBI triple and pinch-hitter Matt Mieske's RBI groundout.

Houston then took the lead in the seventh on Derek Bell's two-run single and Bogar's RBI grounder.

Despite his big hit, Bell was upset that Dierker dropped him from second to sixth in the batting order.

"It's like I just got here," said Bell, who hit only .244 in the first half of the season. "I've been here helping this team for five years. It hurts."

Johnson also was hurting after the Diamondbacks wasted a great pitching performance by

him for the fifth straight time. After Johnson pitched eight shutout innings against Texas, Mark McLemore hit a bases-loaded double with two outs in the ninth off reliever Matt Mantei to give the Rangers a 3-2 win over the Diamondbacks.

In other interleague games, it was Boston 6, Philadelphia 4; Florida 8, Toronto 6; Cleveland 2, Pittsburgh 0; Baltimore 8, Montreal 2; New York Mets 8, Tampa Bay 7 in 10 innings; Atlanta 6, New York Yankees 2; Chicago Cubs 9, Minnesota 3; St. Louis 3, Chicago White Sox 2 in 13 innings; San Diego 3, Seattle 2; Anaheim 7, Los Angeles 6 in 10 innings; and Oakland 11, San Francisco 9.

Red Sox 6, Phillies 4
Two days after the game's biggest sluggers failed to hit a ball out of Fenway Park in the All-Star game, Boston and Philadelphia combined for five homers.

There were three leadoff homers in the first two innings, by Doug Glavine and Jose

Offerman in the first and by Jason Varitek of the Red Sox in the second. Bobby Abreu hit a two-run homer for the Phillies in the sixth and Brian Daubach hit another leadoff homer for Boston in the seventh.

Marlins 8, Blue Jays 6
Florida scored four runs off rookie reliever Billy Koch in the ninth inning at Toronto.

Koch (0-1), who allowed just one earned run in his previous 18 appearances, gave up a lead-off homer to Kevin Millar that tied it 5-5. One out later, Preston Wilson singled, Danny Bautista doubled and Mike Lowell followed with a go-ahead RBI single. Mike Redmond then singled in another run, and Luis Castillo's sacrifice made it 8-5.

Indians 2, Pirates 0
Bartolo Colon hit 101 mph on the radar gun during eight shutout innings in Pittsburgh, extending his scoreless streak against the Pirates to 17 innings.

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Sampras sit out at Davis
BROOKLINE, Mass. — For the past Australian Davis Cup team, John Newcombe about how Pete Sampras not play singles team. And Newcombe exactly none of it. But at a dinner night, the night's winners would be Davis silver cup itself happened — John Newcombe said him think American serious about the No. 3 singles world, only in the "Two days ago that Pete would play," Newcombe Thursday after ted Sampras for their quarterfinal Longwood Crick of got the feeling he wasn't going weren't surprised. Surprised? No. Delighted? No. Imagine Joe out Super Bowl Jordan sitting Finals, or Cal R sitting out — sitting the American Sampras might gives player even be playing at his. "Obviously, the best singles player the moment, but necessarily me going to be a player," said M who will pair Stolle to play Sa O'Brien on Saturday can't see how he out there and play good double. Thursday's dings and the orcs, which can't except in case Martin was against up-and-actively untested Lleyton Hewit Open champion Saturday will match. On Sunday play Rafter takes on Hewit. "I think that es, the draw ca for us," Newcombe must-win situation that first match tremendous an on Todd. Also, is playing, and ing ... there w ous moments first match." Newcombe left second-guessing want to be in we win, either captain said. Sampras join it beat Great E round and s respect for the playing all al take one of t But Martin sa United States team, and he aside. Still, Gullikson that he would team's cheer Australians, i gamesmanship Newcombe's no one excep itself knew fo be playing Thursday, w drew a tenni fancy silver b of paper out o of the name: Tod That meant not accept Ma was no visible the Australia couldn't have "The last th was kind of jump on the thal's why I past couple was just going Sampras said deserve to pla "They have commitment s in the same t think it was kind of come play singles. fortunate. Two n't feel comf comfortable n Gullikson s was made by a "He (Sampra that Jim and 7 singles spots. they did agai but the comm shown in the

# Sampras will sit out singles at Davis Cup

**BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP)** — For the past few months, Australian Davis Cup captain John Newcombe heard all about how Pete Sampras would not play singles for the U.S. team. And Newcombe believed exactly none of it.

But at a dinner on Wednesday night, the night before the pairings would be drawn from the silver cup itself, something happened — just a feeling, Newcombe said — that made him think Americans were serious about using Sampras, the No. 3 singles player in the world, only in the doubles.

"Two days ago, we all thought that Pete would definitely play," Newcombe said Thursday after Gullikson slotted Sampras for doubles in their quarterfinal tie at the Longwood Cricket Club. "I sort of got the feeling last night that he wasn't going to, so we weren't surprised today."

Surprised? No. Delighted? Maybe. Imagine Joe Namath sitting out Super Bowl III, Michael Jordan sitting out the NBA Finals, or Cal Ripken just plain sitting out — that's how surprising the American lineup is. Sampras might be the best singles player ever, and he won't be playing at his strength.

"Obviously, he is one of the best singles players around at the moment, but that doesn't necessarily mean that he is going to be a great doubles player," said Mark Woodforde, who will pair with Sandon Stolle to play Sampras and Alex O'Brien on Saturday. "... I just can't see how he can just walk out there and believe he can play good doubles."

Thursday's draw set the pairings and the order of the matches, which cannot be changed except in case of injury. Todd Martin was to open today against up-and-coming but relatively untested 18-year-old Lleyton Hewitt, followed by Jim Courier vs. two-time U.S. Open champion Patrick Rafter.

Saturday will be the doubles match. On Sunday, Martin will play Rafter before Courier takes on Hewitt.

"I think that the first matches, the draw came out very well for us," Newcombe said. "It is a must-win situation for them in that first match which puts a tremendous amount of pressure on Todd. Also, knowing that he is playing, and Pete is not playing ... there will be some anxious moments for them in that first match."

Newcombe also noted that Gullikson left himself open to second-guessing. "I wouldn't want to be in Gully's shoes if we win, either," the Australian captain said.

Sampras joined the team after it beat Great Britain in the last round and said that, out of respect for those who had been playing all along, he would not take one of the singles spots. But Martin said he wanted the United States to field its best team, and he offered to step aside.

Still, Gullikson maintained that he would not upset the team's chemistry. To the Australians, this was merely gamesmanship.

Newcombe's intuition aside, no one except the U.S. team itself knew for sure who would be playing until noon on Thursday, when the referee drew a tennis ball from the fancy silver bowl, pulled a slip of paper out of the ball and read the name: Todd Martin.

That meant that Sampras did not accept Martin's offer. There was no visible celebration from the Australians, but the news couldn't have been better.

"The last thing I wanted to do was kind of come along and jump on the bandwagon. And that's why I have said for the past couple of months that I was just going to play doubles," Sampras said. "Jim and Todd deserve to play singles."

"They have shown ... their commitment and I haven't been in the same boat. I just didn't think it was right for me to kind of come on the team and play singles. I never felt comfortable. Two months ago, I didn't feel comfortable; I don't feel comfortable now."

Gullikson said the decision was made by a team consensus. "He (Sampras) strongly felt that Jim and Todd deserved the singles spots. Not only for what they did against Great Britain but the commitment they have shown in the past."

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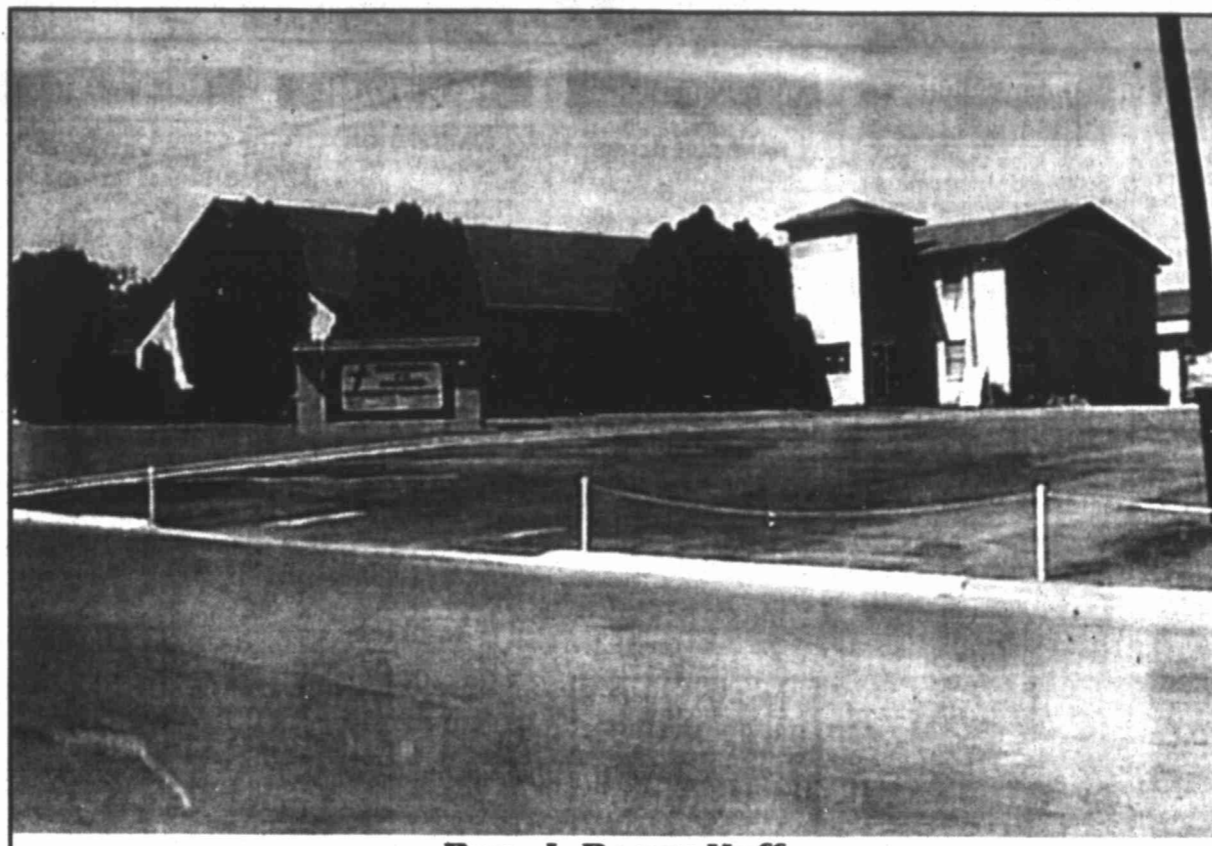
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR  
SATURDAY, JULY 17:  
Make new connections this year.  
Allow greater flexibility into your  
life. You might find that another  
is confused or unable to handle  
money in the manner you would  
like. If you are single, romance  
comes easily because of your  
openness. If attached, you might  
need to redefine responsibilities.  
VIRGO helps you read the fine  
print.**

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)  
\*\*\*Pace yourself. Be more  
concerned about the quality of your  
life. Let family play a greater role  
in maintaining responsibilities at  
home. Examine what is really  
important to you. Tonight: Don't  
let a friend disappoint you.**

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)  
\*\*\*\*Creativity and your need  
for fun and flirtation remain high.  
Examine what is going on with a  
parent or someone you put on a  
pedestal. Actually, all you need to  
do is -lain your power. Tonight:  
Be spontaneous.**

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)  
\*\*\*Invite others over, rather  
than taking a long-distance trip.  
Pull back some. Focus on improving  
the quality of your life. Don't  
take things personally. Flex with  
the moment. Exploring options is  
important. Stay close to home.  
Tonight: Tidy or organize the  
house.**

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)  
\*\*\*\*Communication seems to  
take many different twists and  
turns. Another clearly gets your  
message. Touch base with a loved  
one who sometimes seems a bit  
contrary and erratic. You'll feel  
good if you do the right thing.  
Tonight: At a favorite spot.**

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)  
\*\*\*Indulge yourself. Make the  
most of another's willingness.  
Sometimes you tend to think and  
worry way too much. A partner  
still can't stabilize; perhaps his  
grounding comes from the fact  
that he is constantly changing.  
Tonight: Living large.**

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
\*\*\*\*Your nerves could become  
frayed when dealing with another.  
Bring friends together. Add more**

**DEAR ABBY: Like so many of  
those who write to you, I have  
been involved for quite a while  
with a married man who keeps  
making promises about our  
future together, but those promises  
are never kept.**

**The difference is, this one is  
married - to a corpse. She's been  
dead for 2 1/2 years, and he still  
can't let go and get on with his  
life.**

**For almost a year, he promised  
we'd spend a weekend together;  
however, by Thursday, he always  
had a reason to cancel. When we  
finally did get together for a  
weekend, he walked out and got  
another motel room where he and  
the ghost could spend the night  
together, while I cried my eyes  
out alone in the king-size bed in  
my room. Do you have any idea  
how much rejection there is in  
learning that the man you love  
would rather sleep with his mem-  
ories than with you?**

**I finally persuaded him to get  
counseling, but he's still doing  
the same things: promising we  
have a future together, then  
squenching any plans for physi-  
cally consummating our relation-  
ship. He insists he doesn't need  
Viagra, that he's capable of doing  
it, but then he comes up with  
another hokey excuse why he**

**can't make time for a weekend  
together.**

**He's really a nice man, Abby.  
He treats me well and has a  
delightful sense of humor. He'd  
be the perfect companion if he  
could just accept that his wife is  
dead, she's not coming back, and  
he's not cheating on her if he  
sleeps with another woman. What  
should I do? - SEXLESS IN  
SEATTLE**

**DEAR SEXLESS: If you love  
him, give him a little more time.  
My experts tell me that he could  
be suffering from pathological  
grief. In most people, the grieving  
process lasts about one year -  
but if it lasts longer than that it  
requires professional help.**

**I don't know how long this man  
has been in counseling, but if it  
has been any length of time and  
he still has not progressed in  
mourning (mourning is the reparative  
process associated with grief) - then  
he should consult another  
professional counselor. His inability  
to be intimate with you sexually  
may have nothing to do with  
sexuality, but rather  
overwhelming mourning and  
overwhelming guilt.**

**If he's as terrific as you say he  
is, he's worth waiting for a little  
longer.**

**loving and caring to your day. Get  
into a favorite sport; swap jokes;  
laugh. Tonight: Where the fun is.**

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
\*\*\*Close relating offers a totally  
different point of view, especially  
about a career-related matter.  
Avoid rationalizing any potential  
problems. A child or loved one  
creates uproar where you least  
expect. Set limits. Tonight: Be  
mysterious.**

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
\*\*\*\*Seek those you love and care  
about. Others enjoy themselves  
wherever they are, as long as  
they're with you. Your sense of  
humor comes out with a difficult  
family member. Learn not to  
trigger when this person starts a  
drama. Tonight: Leader of the  
gang.**

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
\*\*\*\*You might be too aware of  
what others think of you right  
now. One-to-one relating gives you  
important feedback. You can trust  
do do -lain your power. Tonight:  
Be spontaneous.**

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Loan. Sale will be at 11 o'clock  
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Property will be sold to highest bid-  
der for cash. Seller reserves right  
to not accept any bid and to with-  
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to each space may be sold sep-  
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Consisting of Misc. boxes  
Tanner, Mimi Brighton  
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lamp, computer, rolls of insulation,  
misc. boxes.  
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- 1106 RIDGEROAD DR. Thurs-Fri-Sat. Baby furniture & clothes, household goods, clothes.
- 1217 Ridgeroad (around back) Saturday Only! 7am Furniture, clothes, misc.
- 1306 MONMOUTH: Sat. & Sun. 8-9pm. Clothes, baby furniture, misc.
- 2-FAMILY YARD SALE: 409 1st. St. - Coahoma. Fri & Sat. Sun. 9-7 Dishes, tools, CB radios, books, misc.
- 2504 LARRY: Saturday. 9am-12pm. Reclining sofa, chair & ottoman, ant. center, Color TV & much misc.
- 2602 E. 16th Street (across from the Carlton Apts. on FM 700) Sat., 8:00-1:00pm. Books, baby clothes, play pen, craft items, file cabinets, computer desk & chair, computer software, Laser jet printer, fax machine, elect. typewriter, 25" TV, some coins, Corolla dash sets, lots of misc. items.
- 4 FAMILIES GARAGE SALE: Sat. 7-2. Lots of good stuff. S. Hwy 87 across from Buffalo Country Fns.
- American Storage on FM 700. Fri-Sat. 9-7 Mac Wheels for Chevy, school clothes, Zebra hide drum & misc.
- Back yard sale: 905 Magnolia. Fri. - Sun. 8-7 Kids clothes, lots of misc.
- Berrett Garage Sale, Saturday, 8:00-7 105 Lockhart. Burritos, kid & adult clothes, and lots of misc.
- BIG SALE: Fri-Sat. Couch & chair, kitchen table & chairs, rollaway bed, dishes, kitchenware, linens. 2210 Main. 10-5pm.
- Coahoma - 203 N. Ave. Sat. 8am-6pm. Sun. 2-6pm. Clothes: boys-XL men; ladies-women XL & plus. Exer equip. linens. Treasures - Fine Junk.
- GARAGE SALE: 1802 Hearn. Sat. 8-2. Lots of kids clothes, toys, dolls, couch, TV entertainment syst., camper shell, lg. men's & women's clothes.
- GARAGE SALE: 2513 Ann Drive. Saturday, 8-2. Bikes, fridge, Children & teens clothes, SW art, toys & Barbie doll house.
- GARAGE SALE: 2513 Larry. Saturday, 8-3. Furniture, clothes, & lots of misc.
- GARAGE SALE: 2703 Ann. Fri-Sat., 8-12noon. Clothes, toys, household items. Much more!
- GARAGE SALE: 3 Family, 605 George. Sat. Only! 8-6pm. Lots of school clothes & misc.
- GARAGE SALE: 3221 35th. Sat. July 17, 7:30-1:00pm. Golf clubs w/bag, toddler bed, microwave, table, clothes, little bikes, toys.
- GARAGE SALE: 609 E. 18th. Sat. Only! 9am-2pm. Baby furniture, big lady clothes & children's clothes. Lots of misc.
- Garage Sale, 1309 Virginia. Saturday 8-12. Baby clothes, miscellaneous.

FRIDAY

JULY 16

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"Boy, Joey. Don't that remind you of the good ol' days?"

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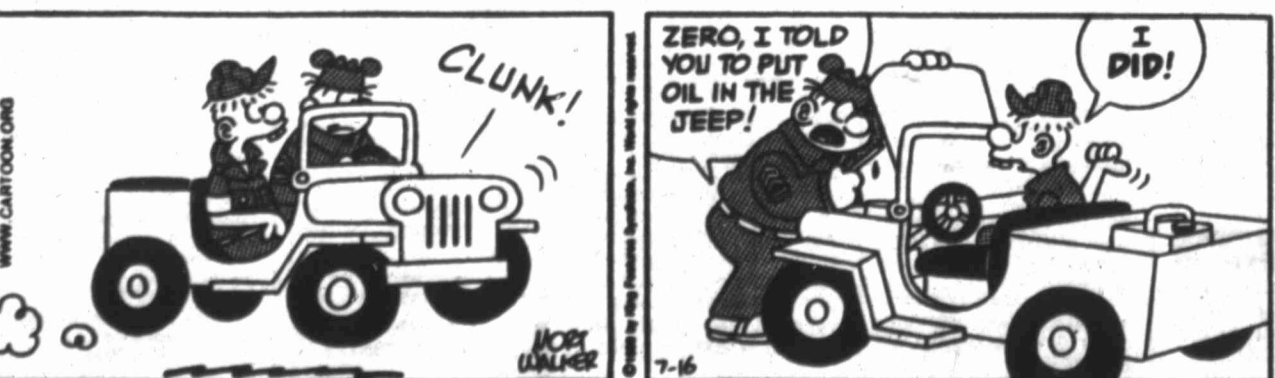
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Friday, July 16, the 197th day of 1999. There are 168

days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On July 16, 1945, the United States exploded its first experimental atomic bomb, in the desert of Alamogordo, N.M.

Columbia was established as the seat of the United States government.

In 1862, David G. Farragut became the first rear admiral in the U.S. Navy.

In 1918, Russia's Czar Nicholas II, his empress and their five children were executed by the Bolsheviks.

In 1951, novelist J.D. Salinger published "The Catcher in the Rye."

In 1957, Marine Maj. John Glenn set a transcontinental speed record when he flew a jet from California to New York in three hours, 23 minutes and eight seconds.

In 1964, accepting the Republican presidential nomination in San Francisco, Barry M. Goldwater said "extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice" and "moderation in the pursuit of justice is no virtue."

In 1969, Apollo 11 blasted off from Cape Kennedy on the first manned mission to the surface of the moon.

In 1973, White House aide Alexander P. Butterfield revealed at the Senate Watergate hearings the existence of President Nixon's secret taping system.

In 1979, Saddam Hussein became president of Iraq.

In 1980, Ronald Reagan won the Republican presidential nomination at the party's convention in Detroit.

Ten years ago: Leaders of the seven major industrial democracies called at their economic summit in Paris for "decisive action" against global pollution.

Conductor Herbert von Karajan died near Salzburg, Austria, at age 81.

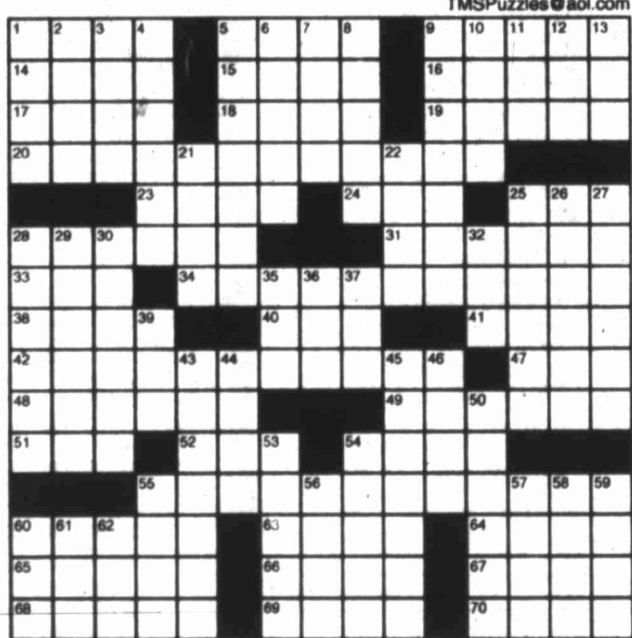
Five years ago: The first of 21 pieces of comet Shoemaker-Levy smashed into Jupiter, to the joy of astronomers awaiting the celestial fireworks.

One year ago: The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia refused to block Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr from calling President Clinton's Secret Service protectors before a grand jury.

Today's Birthdays: TV director Vincent Sherman is 93. Actor Barnard Hughes is 84. Former Attorney General Dick Thornburgh is 67. Soul singer William Bell is 60. Actor Corin Redgrave is 60. Former tennis player Margaret Court is 71. Violinist Pinchas Zukerman is 51. Actor-singer Ruben Blades is 51. Rock composer-musician Stewart Copeland is 47.

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