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Howard College sets tax hearing for Thursday

Howard College trustees will have a tax hearing for the proposed increased tax rate at 12:30 p.m. Thursday in the board room, which is located in the Student Union Building.

The tax rate is increasing to .2565, up from .2123 per \$100 valuation. Trustees have approved a 5-percent tax levy increase, and the tax hearing is set to allow public input on the proposed increase.

By increasing the tax rate 4 cents, trustees are expecting to raise about \$120,000 additional funds, which are to be used toward salary increases for faculty.

Howard College has a 1999-2000 budget of about \$13 million.

WHAT'S UP...

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

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

FRIDAY
□ AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.
□ Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

SATURDAY
□ All senior citizens in the community are invited to a senior health fair from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Canterbury, 1700 Lancaster. There will be many free screenings.

WEATHER

Tonight:



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Howard County Fair '99 combines new faces, exhibits with familiar ones

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

At this year's Howard County Fair, there will be plenty of new faces, and many familiar sights.

"We've got a lot of new things this year," said fair board president Tammy Watt. "For one, we have twice as many outside exhibitors



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and a lot of new ones inside. There will be a lot of new faces."

The fair is Monday, Aug. 30-Saturday, Sept. 4, with activities and entertainment for the whole family from 4-10 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m.-10 p.m. on Saturday.

Along with the familiar exhibitors outside, between the exhibit barns, such as funnel cakes, hot dogs and hamburgers, there will be new food and activities in that area. Dick Helms, outside exhibits chairman, said the area is full for the

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Alicia Powell gets information Tuesday evening from volunteer Cindy Yater on buying season tickets to the Big Spring Symphony. The symphony started season ticket sales at a wine and cheese party at the Heritage Museum.

HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

B-52G arrives at Hangar 25

RICK McLAUGHLIN
Staff Writer

Col. James F. Little (USAF Ret.) and his crew of volunteers and city employees arrived at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark from San Angelo's Goodfellow Air Force base Tuesday with a vintage B-52G bomber in tow for the Hangar 25 Air Museum.

Heavy equipment operators and forklifts borrowed from local businesses pulled and pushed, nudged and cajoled a 30-foot length of 20-foot high strategic bomber into a corner niche next to the mezzanine stairs at the back of the museum.

There, the old warbird will be cleaned, lighted, and given better access for visitors as a premier attraction for the air museum, noted Little, who is a member of the board of directors.

"It was quite a trip," Little said. "We stayed overnight at Goodfellow in the bachelor officers quarters. In the morning, we were supposed to have had a crane reserved to load it on the flatbed, but we got an offer from the base to lift it for us. That saved us \$175 per hour," said Little.

"We got off to an early start Tuesday morning. They routed us over an indirect course sending us through Miles, some 40 miles out of the way. We had to take back roads, dodging telephone and electrical lines," he noted.

In some cases, the flatbed had to go off the road completely to get under lines. In the first hour on the road, the crew made 20 miles. "Back on



HERALD photo/Rick McLaughlin

Retired Air Force Colonel James F. Little tries out the pilot's seat of the B-52G flight deck after its delivery Tuesday to the former Webb Air Force Base from San Angelo. Below, volunteers from the city and several local businesses work the vintage bomber's 30-foot nose into the Hangar 25 Air Museum.

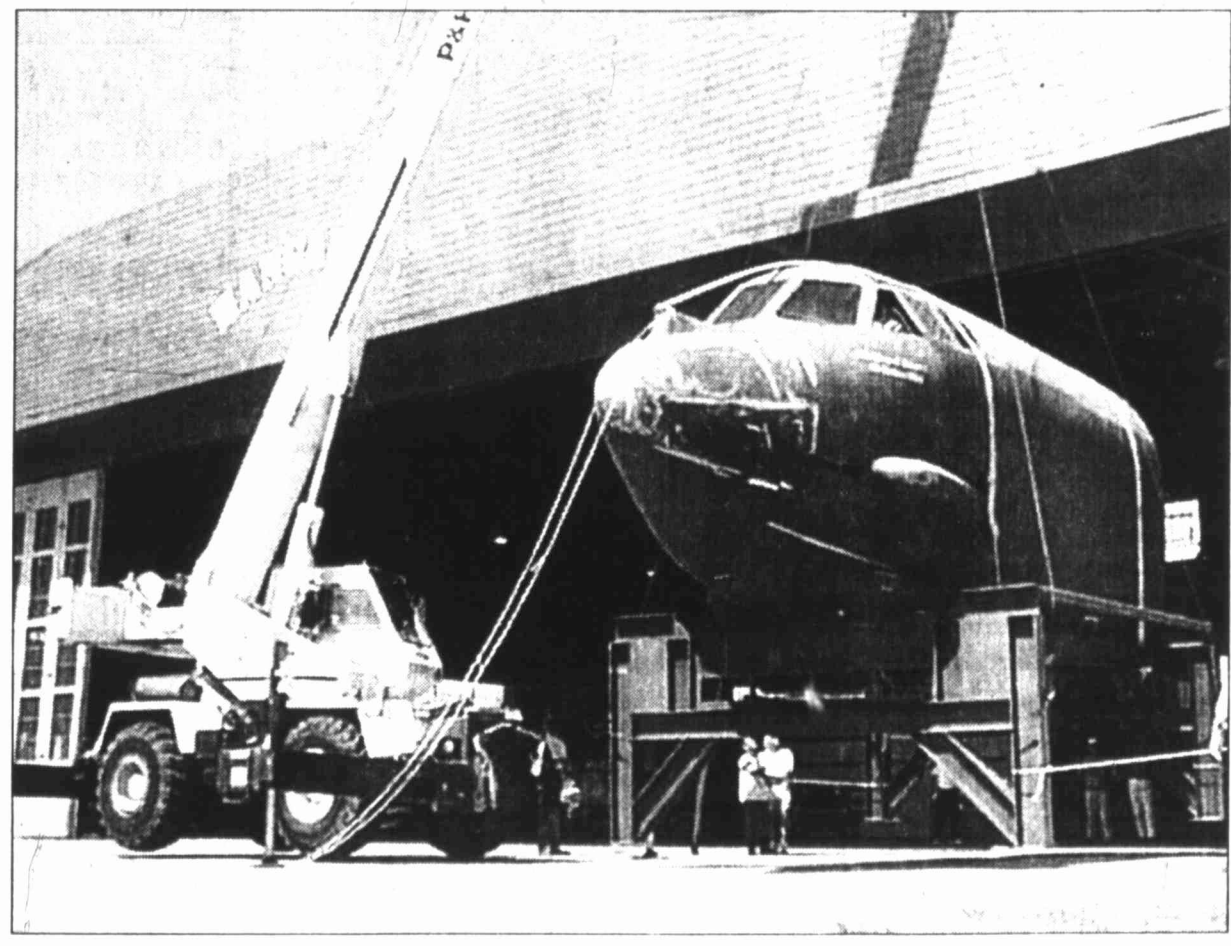
Highway 87, we moved a little faster," said Little.

The trip, which is normally 88 miles, took from the 7 a.m. departure to 11:40 a.m. to complete.

"The city employees and city flatbed and our non-city volun-

teer did a suburb job of making it happen. The temperatures were in excess of 100 degrees and we were working out on the hot tarmac dismantling the plane from its framework."

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Top-rated

Grady, Sands districts earn exemplary status in TEA's annual report

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Texas Education Agency provided annual report cards for area school districts and campuses, and the Crossroads Area has two districts that received the highest rating possible, exemplary.

Grady Independent School District and Sands Consolidated Independent School District were both scored as exemplary districts, and Grady received the honor for the first time this year.

"We are very pleased and excited. We worked hard for this for the past four years and this year we made it. This is a great tribute to our teachers, our students, our employees and our parents," said Grady Principal Richard Gibson.

"To receive an exemplary rating, a school district or campus must have 90 percent of all students taking the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills tests pass, a 94 percent attendance rate and a drop-out rate of less than 1 percent.

"We stressed day in and day out to our students how important this test is and how it reflects on them. The kids have been taking this very seriously, and the teachers are to be commended," Gibson said.

Grady ISD has 19 teachers and 221 students enrolled this year, a slight increase over last year's enrollment, he said.

"This is mainly due to transfers. We've had people from Midland who learned of our school and want their children in a small school setting," he said.

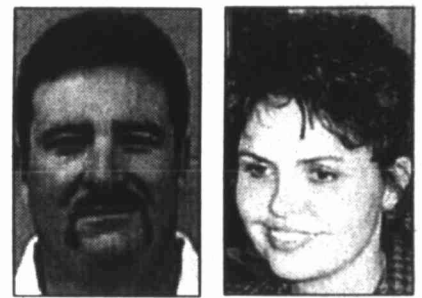
Sands CISD has been rated exemplary for the past three years, and the professional staff and students are just as excited this year as in the past.

"This is a team effort, and it really starts in the elementary school. Success breeds success," said Sands High School Principal Billy Barnett.

Zelda Bilbo, elementary principal, said teachers and students had worked very hard to achieve the goal of exemplary district and campus.

"And our parents have been very supportive. We're like a big family out here and everyone works together," Bilbo said.

Coahoma, Forsan, Borden County and Glasscock County independent school districts received recognized status, the



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second-highest rating possible. Stanton ISD received an acceptable rating district wide.

Coahoma High School received an exemplary rating this year, excelling during a year that was often filled with distractions. Coahoma junior high and elementary campuses received recognized ratings.

"I am exceeding proud of high school. They are the only exemplary high school in the county, and we had a very difficult year last year. But the high school teachers and students kept up good work and focus, and that speaks highly of the dedication of our teachers and students and parents," said Cindy Fowler, elementary principal.

Fowler said this is the second year the elementary has received recognized status.

"We are thrilled. We are almost to exemplary and for that you have to have 90 percent in every category and we are almost there. Our kids worked really hard and teachers worked really hard, and this takes a concerted effort," Fowler said.

Garden City High School received an exemplary rating, while the elementary and the district received recognized status.

"I believe I have the greatest group of teachers and the most wonderful students in the world. We are very pleased, and very proud of our staff, students and parents," said Faith Scott, principal for Garden City High School and Junior High School.

Scott said this is the first time since she has been principal that Garden City High School received the exemplary rating, and she is hoping to maintain the same standard each year.

"We worked very hard, and the teachers worked to meet the needs of each student, and to implement the strategies needed to succeed," she said.

The ratings are prepared in a four-tier score — exemplary, See AREA, Page 2A

BSISD taking steps to prevent another unacceptable rating

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Steps are being taken to prevent another year of skewed statistics, which prompted the academically unacceptable rating for Big Spring Independent School District received this year.

"I'm telling my staff that this is a wake-up call. This is basi-



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cally a gross error we shouldn't have happened and won't happen again," said Big Spring High School principal R. Kent Bowermon.

"We are as good as our test scores report, and we have worked hard on our academics. But we got into a habit of doing things, and complacency is not where we need to be," he said.

Bowermon is referring to the unacceptable rating BSISD received because of a reported 6.6 percent drop-out rate. TEA scores each of the 1,042 school districts with a three-scale system — scores on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills tests, daily attendance and drop-

out rates. And while Big Spring ISD met all the criteria for passing the TAAS and attendance portions of the scale, the drop-out rates exceeded the 6 percent margin allowable by TEA.

Bowermon said a list is provided to the district in September of all the students who are not enrolled from the previous year.

BSISD personnel then take the list and cull through the names, attempting to locate these students for a report that is submitted back to TEA in October. Then another, corrected list is

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Several local campuses received good TEA accountability reports

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Several campuses in the Big Spring Independent School District received good reports from the accountability rating recently released by the Texas Education Agency, including three that received recognized status.

"The standards went up, and there are more recognized schools this year and less exem-

plary," said deputy superintendent Murray Murphy.

Kentwood, Marcy and Moss elementaries received recognized status this year, according to the TEA results.

"We're very proud of our students and our teachers and our parents. Our efforts are paying off and very happy to be at this stage," said Rey Villarreal, Marcy principal.

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OBITUARIES

J.R. "Tex" Williams

J.R. "Tex" Williams, 83, Big Spring, died on Tuesday, Aug. 17, 1999, in a local hospital. Graveside service will be 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 19, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park with Dr. Raymond Bugg, Hospice Chaplain, officiating.

He was born on Jan. 18, 1916, in Howard County, and had lived most of his life here. His parents were Elmer and Thelma Williams a pioneer farming family. Mr. Williams was self employed. He was a Christian.

Survivors include: a sister, Theda Broughton of Big Spring; an aunt, Ava Johnson of Dickens, and several cousins. He was preceded in death by a brother-in-law, J.W. Broughton.

Pallbearers will be Marion Newton, Lonnie Newton, Jimmie Long, Rickie Long, Ronnie Wood and Roy Tubb. Honorary pallbearers will be Carl Coleman, J.E. Fickling, and Kenneth Morrison.

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

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recognized, acceptable and unacceptable.

Each individual campus is also scored by TEA for the accountability rating system. An exemplary rating, such as received by Grady and Sands, means that all campuses were also exemplary.

Forsan campuses received recognized ratings for the district as well as Forsan High School and Elbow Elementary.

Stanton High School received a recognized rating for their high school campus, and an acceptable for all other campuses and the district overall.

CAMPUSES

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This is the second year Marcy Elementary has received the recognized status. A recognized rating is received for any campus with a Texas Assessment of Academic Skills score of 80 percent passing, a drop-out rate of 3.5 percent or less and a 94 percent attendance rate.

Villarreal said achieving this honor requires year-round preparation and a team effort between students, parents and teachers.

"It's really an annual effort. Our goal is to have 100 percent passing for all students. We want every child to pass every part of the TAAS. It takes all year to achieve, and we have to stay cognizant of the goals. This

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said Little. "We're going to be fixing it up to make it safer," Little said of the next stage in the B-52's odyssey. "We will be making a hole in the back to give access to the flight deck. We will make it lighted enough and get some air through it," Little said.

"Want to give visitors the feeling of sitting at the controls and flying." "The Big Spring Police Department gave us a good escort, saving time getting us through traffic and lights," he noted. "We got great support from American Limestone, which donated a forklift and operator and another forklift and crane came from Phillips Fabrication. Freecom sent a driver and forklift over," he added.

Noting the city's contributions as well, Little said the acquisition of the B-52G could

is not something you can do in one day or one week or one month, although the test is one day," he said.

Villarreal said now the effort has begun again, and he and his staff are constantly looking for ways to improve.

"We will try to do things better in every way we can to help the kids," Villarreal said.

Goliad, Runnels, Bauer, College Heights and Washington received acceptable ratings, as did the Personalized Achievement Center.

An acceptable rating is earned with a 45 percent passing rate on the TAAS, which is an increase of the 40 percent required last year, a drop-out rate of 6 percent or less, and a 94 percent attendance rate.

Big Spring High School received a low performing score, based on drop-out rates of 6.6 percent, as reported by TEA.

BSISD

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sent back to the district in December.

"And that's where we stopped. These lists are called 'no shows' and we work from them to verify each and every student. TEA has that we had 123 dropouts that year, but I don't believe that's right. The list of dropouts they have given us is not an accurate list," Bowermon said.

He added that changes in the method of compiling the data will be implemented, and that district personnel will be more cautious and detail oriented in the future.

"Our system of checks and balances did not work, and it is not what it should be. We are taking steps to prevent that problem. The goal and objective here is to account for every student and to make sure that none fall through the cracks," he said.

Big Spring ISD has several methods of student retention for at risk individuals, as well as for those students who have difficulty with the TAAS test.

The Personalized Achievement Center, which received an acceptable rating from TEA, works to provide students with self-paced, competency-based high school credit courses to help students gain credits for graduation, said Jackie Henry, director of PAC.

"And we offer GED classes," she said. Bowermon said Big Spring ISD has a proven success rate for high school graduation.

"This is the first year all our seniors passed the TAAS, which is wonderful. And one thing we are good at is retention. If we have a fair shot with a kid, we're going to help him or her graduate," he said.

Bowermon said academics will not suffer at BSHS. "We're going to maintain our testing scores; we have an excellent faculty and we have very good kids," he said.

FAIR

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first time in several years. One new vendor has signed up to sell his own tempting creation, a Belgian waffle dipped in chocolate.

There will be a return visit by the petting zoo for children, and two new attractions in the outside area — a climbing wall, for those who want to try rock climbing, and a mechanical bull.

The Harley Owners Group plans a motorcycle show, chili supper and barbecue sale beginning at 5 p.m. on opening day. All proceeds will go toward their Christmas service projects, helping needy families and children.

Familiar sights at this year include the Tip-Top Amusements Carnival, which will be open each day. The Battle of the Cheerleaders, goat, lamb and steer shows, and the Kountry Kids contest are all going to part of the week-long event. The Howard County Fair Queen Contest takes its familiar spot, 8 p.m. opening day, in the entertainment tent.

Entertainment includes Gene Watson on Wednesday, Gospel Night on Thursday, Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys on Friday, and Johnny Rodriguez closing the fair Saturday. All shows are free with fair admission.

Watson, Nix and Rodriguez are performing at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Gospel music by local performers begins at 7 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 27, before the fair begins, creative arts and canning entries are received. Saturday, Aug. 28, all baked goods are taken, along with art entries. The lamb show also takes place that morning.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING WITH A MEAL!!

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n't have happened without them. "To have all those people and their equipment working together to move that monster around really made it a team-work effort and made it happen.

"It's going to be a tremendous addition to the museum facility for adults and kids and will give them a greater appreciation for equipment used by our forces. We think it's an exciting and relevant part of the museum," said Little.

The acquisition of the front 30 feet of the bomber, which was built by Boeing in 1958, is through the General Services Administration at Goodfellow AFB, where it has been used as a fire-fighting trainer at the base.

In service from 1958 until 1991, it has been declared surplus and was on a list for demolition.

The training device consists of the actual nose section of a B-52G, stands 20 feet tall, and includes the cockpit with all the controls intact.

Some of the pilots who trained at Webb AFB went on to fly the B-52, according to Little, who himself was stationed here in the 1960s.

"This B-52G has served from nearly every Strategic Air Command (SAC) base of importance, including Guam, Puerto Rico and others," observed Little, "and served in support of the Vietnam Conflict."

The nose from this particular B-52G is a result of the end of the Cold War and the nuclear disarmament talks with Russia and the former Soviet Union. The Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty between U.S. and coalition members of the Russian Federated Republic call for the bilateral physical destruction of some missiles, bombers, and nuclear weapons. This B-52 was a casualty of that agreement.

It began its retirement at the U.S. military's aviation boneyard at Davis-Moan Air Force Base in Arizona. There, it was cut into pieces, some of which went to Randolph Air Force Base at San Antonio. The aft end was sealed and catwalks were created for training fire-fighters in air crew rescue.

BRIEFS

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THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 is having a barbecue and fish fry Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. at 3203 W. Hwy. 80. The cost is \$6 per plate and carry out is available. For more information call 263-2084. The public is invited.

THE LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE Eagles Lodge is sponsoring a canned food drive during the month of August. Cans of food collected will go to help replenish the Salvation Army food bank.

Bring your donations to the Lodge on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m., or Saturday evenings at 8 p.m. Or call 264-7518, 268-9689, or 267-7115 and club members will pick up your donation.

DUE TO OUT-OF-TOWN meeting, the Texas Department of Health and WIC will be closed on Thursday, Aug. 19. We will reopen on Friday, Aug. 20.

ALL SENIOR CITIZENS in the community are invited to a senior health fair Saturday, Aug. 21, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Canterbury, 1700 Lancaster. There will be many free screenings including: cholesterol, diabetes, oxygen/pulse, vision, hearing and plenty of good health information.

THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF Health will have a Saturday shot clinic on Aug. 21.

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A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Sunday, Aug. 29, the goat show is planned in the morning, followed that afternoon by receiving of creative arts and canning entries.

There are two new competitions for photographs this year: "Favorite Family Pet" invites people to bring in a picture of their cat, dog, bird or other creature, while "Kids Do the Darndest Things," is a competition for photographs of children doing funny, cute or amusing things.

For information on entering any fair competition, pick up a book of regulations at the County Extension Agent's office in the basement of the courthouse, Southwestern Crop Insurance at 606 Scurry, or Athletic Supply in the Big Spring Mall.

SUPPORT GROUPS

WEDNESDAY •Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920. •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study. •Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 268-4189 (pager no.) Step study.

THURSDAY •Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting. •A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland. •Alzheimer's support group, noon, Scenic Mountain Medical Center, third Thursday of the month. Call Janice Wagner at 263-1211.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 54.70 cents, down 22 points; Sept. crude 21.65, down 9 points; cash hogs steady at 37 even; cash steers steady at 65 even; Oct. lean hog futures 43.25, down 60 points; Oct. live cattle futures 65.77, down 25 points. Noon quotes provided by Edward D. Jones & Co. Index 11,038.87

TEXAS LOTTERY

PICK 3: 2,6,4 CASH 5:3,9,18,21,39 Lottery numbers are unofficial until confirmed by the state lottery commission.

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•BILLY WAYNE STARR, 21, burglary of a habitation. •MARIA ISABEL SMITH-WICK, 29, issuance of a bad check.

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports: TUESDAY 4:06 a.m. — 1400 block Young, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. today. •ABEL RODRIGUEZ, 41, was arrested for having no drivers license.

•EVARISTO TREVINO was arrested for violation of protective order. •JOHN CANSINO, 31, was arrested for burglary of a vehicle.

•ESEQUIEL CALDERON, 19, was arrested for burglary of a vehicle. •JOSE CANTU, 17, was arrested for burglary of a vehicle.

•TONY HERNANDEZ, 23, was arrested for in standard traffic citation. •JOE PETTY, no age available, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

•MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1000 block of Birdwell. •THEFT was reported at 18th

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OUR VIEWS

On the air!
Radio station
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It was a long time coming, but the Convention and Visitor Bureau's tourist radio station is finally on the air. Broadcasting at 1180 AM, the non-commercial station has a daytime range of about 12 miles and will serve to inform travelers about the attractions of our community.

Members of the all-volunteer CVB approved the project more than 18 months ago, but because of bureaucratic delays, procedural changes within the FCC and concerns over the location of the antenna atop Scenic Mountain, it took this long to finally get on the air.

But despite the delays, the value seen in the project then by board members is still there today — and will continue to be there.

The Texas Department of Transportation will be placing signs on both I-20 and U.S. 87 to inform travelers of the station — which will broadcast information of a variety of topics.

The standard broadcast tells travelers about the Historic Spring, Big Spring State Park, the Vietnam Memorial and Hangar 25. In addition, the talk radio format allows listeners to find out about individual events, such as the Howard-Glasscock Old Settlers Reunion, the Potton House or The Heritage Museum.

The investment made in the radio station by CVB truly is an investment in our community and will work to help us grow tourism as a vital part of our economy.

And one thing we all need to remember is that the tourism dollar is a "free" dollar for our community. It is outside money that is brought here and stays here. It helps pay wages, rent, grocery bill and purchase school clothes.

It's money that travels through our community every day and the tourist radio station provides an opportunity for some of that money to be left in Big Spring.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

I read the article in the Aug. 12 newspaper about what Carole Owen had to say wanting there to be a law against dogs being tied up. She seems to think tying a dog up makes them mean. That is not necessarily true. It depends on the dog's personality to begin with. You know dogs have personalities like humans. They also have a lot of illnesses like humans get.

Now I feel as bad as Carole does about the dog killing the 2-year-old boy. I am sure the dog's owner does too, like everyone.

My dog is tied up on a very long cable leash. He is a fence jumper. We have a very secure fence too.

My dog is a happy dog. He plays with my other two little dogs.

I won't say that he won't bite, but I am almost positive he won't.

It is totally ridiculous that Carole wants an ordinance to not allow people to tie up their dogs. Not everyone has a fenced yard and can afford one.

Now, if Carole wants to buy

fences for all of us citizens who tie our dogs up, we should gladly not tie them up. The fences would have to be at least six or more feet high.

I don't like dogs running all over the neighborhood. I will call the pound if they are on my street. There are people who don't care.

The dog was tied up, the little boy shouldn't have gone over there. After all, he was just 2 years old, still a baby. He was too young to be outside by himself.

What people need to do is not tie their dogs up way back of the yard where they don't get any attention. That makes them mean.

And please make sure your dogs have proper shelter and shade. And also, plenty of water in big enough pans that doesn't tip over and plenty of food. And spend a little time petting your dog each day.

Readers please urge the city council not to pass this ordinance of not tying our dogs up.

If you want to respond, my phone number is 267-6715.

Thank you.

ELAINE MATTESON
BIG SPRING

Feminists having to live with world they created

As students and professors head back to campuses around the country in the next few weeks, one person who won't be returning to classes is Professor Mary Daly, who taught at Boston College for 33 years. For most of her tenure, she self-



LINDA CHAVEZ

described "radical, lesbian feminist" refused to allow male students into her classes in feminist ethics at the now co-ed Jesuit school (it once was an all-male college). The college put up with Daly's exclusionary policies for 25 years — until last fall, when threatened with a suit by the Center for Individual Rights on behalf of BC senior Duane Naquin.

Informed that she would have to admit men to her courses, Daly said she'd rather resign than do so. The school took her at her word, and last week, col-

lege administrators packed up Daly's belongings and changed the locks on her doors. Now, it's Daly who's suing the college — but her chances are slim, thanks, in part, to decades of feminist attacks on single-sex education.

Daly's refusal to admit men into her classroom flies squarely in the face of federal civil rights law, specifically Title IX, which prohibits sex discrimination in education programs, although the law originally exempted traditional single-sex institutions. In recent years, however, the courts have required public institutions to provide equal access to all students, most notably in the 1996 ruling against the Virginia Military Institute, a previously all-male, publicly funded college. In the VMI case, feminists argued that women couldn't be denied entry simply because of their sex, even though Virginia offered a comparable program for females at another state institution.

Some of these same feminists are singing a different tune now that it's men who are being excluded. Feminist veterans Gloria Steinem and Eleanor Smeal, among others,

have leaped to Daly's defense. Daly herself offers the quaint excuse that she's not discriminating against men — indeed, she offers to tutor them privately rather than enroll them in her classes — but is simply trying to protect her female students.

"I saw that women were repressed," Daly told National Public Radio in an interview last week. "I used to say, 'One quiet little fellow with a beard, that would do it.' It would stop the discussion, they'd be feeling sorry for him. Some of them would be trying to take care of him. Women in classes with young men would shut up all the time. They're laughed at; they have to be sexy. And they can't really think."

Ge. are these timorous females the same species feminists have insisted should be sent into combat, put in charge of Fortune 500 companies, and elected to the highest offices in the land? When it suits them, feminists argue that men and women are identical and there can be no rationale basis for treating them differently — that is, until the shoe is on the feminists' foot. Then, suddenly, we've got to change the rules

to accommodate women's very different needs and sensibilities.

The irony is that radical feminists like Mary Daly have helped destroy the very institutions where they might have felt most at home. Once upon a time, Professor Daly could have taught young women at colleges like Smith or Barnard, where females could study unimpeded by the likes of Duane Naquin. Meanwhile, young men who sought the masculine rigors of boot camp-style education without the distraction of female cadets could choose schools like the all-male VMI. And the rest of us could attend the myriad of co-ed institutions that made up the bulk of U.S. colleges and universities.

But that era is long gone, ushered out by feminists, Title IX, and the courts.

There is only one choice in American higher education today, and it's co-educational. The feminists have been hoisted with their own petard. And feminist academics like Mary Daly will either have to put up with the occasional pesky male in their courses or quit teaching.

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The heart of Texas is for sale

A roadside park marking the geographic center of Texas is located on Highway 377 22 miles north of Brady, the county seat of McCulloch County.

Chuck Dadds of Brownwood has bought an acre and a half adjacent to the park and is selling it by the square inch.

"The price is 69.95," says Chuck. "For that, they get a special warranty deed, four color, suitable for framing. It is a legitimate, bona fide deed you get for the property. You will be the owner of that square inch of land in the heart of Texas."

People buying the land will pay no taxes. That's all taken care of in the purchase price. Since there are nearly nine and a half million square inches of land in an acre and a half, Chuck says the venture might get into the Guinness Book of World Records for the most owners of a single piece

of property. If all the square inches sell, it would mean an income of 665 million dollars.

"That's more money than anybody needs," says Chuck, "so we plan to do a lot of good things."

Chuck has also bought 200 acres of land surrounding the roadside park. "We own all the land around the park except the highway."

He's thinking of building a golf course, motel, shopping center and an amphitheater where a "Heart of Texas" outdoor drama could be staged.

He expects to make a number of sales over the internet. His website is www.heartoftexas.org.

Audio information about the land will be in six languages. People involved in internet marketing tell Chuck the land will sell in 12 months.

McCulloch county officials are excited about the prospects of Chuck's zany idea.

"We're negotiating a five dollar minimum for each sale," says Chuck. "If they all sell, McCulloch county will make 45 million dollars."

The roadside park was built in 1956 and is designated by the department of transportation as the "Heart of Texas"

park. The geographic center marker is on the highway. The nearby land is just a pasture now, where deer and cattle graze contentedly among the cedar and brush.

"We anticipate the Japanese will be big buyers," says Chuck. "We plan to sell some of the tiny lots in Germany, where people love Texas. Once the foreigners buy some property here, when they come to the U.S., where will they come? To see their property, of course."

There's only one heart of Texas.

Chuck is excited about his idea. He has had it for several years. Finally, a friend encouraged him to do it now. Chuck was surprised to find the land around the roadside park for sale. He quit his job as an insurance adjuster to devote full time to his new enterprise.

He can hardly sleep for thinking about all the possibilities. He says everybody he talks to is excited about the idea and he has sold several of the lots already.

"There's no end to what you can do. It's scary. Most of our dreams are buried in the cemetery with the people who have them. This one apparently is not going to the grave."

Mallard Fillmore
by
BRUCE TINSLEY



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◆ It is actually impossible to drink like a fish. Fish don't drink, they only take water in to pass through their gills and extract oxygen.

◆ The word barometer is derived from the Greek baros, or weight. Thus a barometer is a device for measuring the weight of the atmosphere.

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

40-year-old Barbie still brings back memories

Just by looking at her, you'd never know that Barbie turned 40 just last week!
What memories I have when I hear the name "Barbie."
I don't know what it was about Barbie, but when I played with her and all her "stuff," I'd be busy for hours and never get tired of it.
I had (and still have most of it) quite a bit of Barbie stuff. I had the townhouse, the swimming pool, the motor home, the bike, the bathtub and of course, plenty of clothes. Oh, and don't forget the car, as well as her friends Ken and Skipper.

I saved my allowance to buy one of my Barbie dolls; it cost \$10! I also loved to spend my allowance on Barbie clothes. My mom did make a few of them, but for the most part, I got them from the stores.
Let's talk shoes: I had tons of shoes and boots of all colors, as well as tennis shoes.
When I grew tired of my townhouse, my grandfather made me a big Barbie doll house. I still have it today and plan on painting it (it definitely shows its sign of being in the late '70s early '80s) and giving it to my daughter.
My daughter, Angela, who by

the way is only 2 1/2 years old, already loves Barbie. She has two of them plus Barbie tennis shoes she loves to wear.
I don't know exactly when she began the fascination of Barbie, but before I knew it, she was telling everyone she wanted a Barbie.
My mom kept telling me not

to get her one until she was at least 4 years old, but Angela wouldn't have it any other way! One of my cousins bought her her first Barbie doll.
Every time Barbie commercials come on TV, Angela's telling me what she wants. I get a feeling that Christmas is going to be full of Barbies!
From what I have observed, girls just don't play with Barbie as long as we did. They lose interest and get bored with her rather quickly. It seems they do get interested in her earlier than we did, but stop playing with her at about 8 years old.

I guess that shows another sign of the times — too many other modern toys and gadgets to play with, and much more interesting "stuff."
For me, Barbie will always have a place in my mind and in my heart!
If you still have your Barbie collection or are still a Barbie fan, call us at 263-7331, or write to: life! section, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, or e-mail to jwalker@crcom.net. We may use your story in an upcoming feature.
Gina Garza writes a weekly column on family tips and activities.



GINA GARZA

Calories do count: With the right approach, healthy diet is within reach

Calories are a measure of the energy in food. Knowing the number of calories that you take in, gives you an idea of how much you must work to burn up the energy in the foods that you eat.



DANA TARTER

All calories do count, regardless of the food origin; some foods are higher in calories than others. This is why you must use the Food Guide Pyramid to assist you in meal planning. Proteins, vitamins, minerals, carbohydrates and some fats are essential to a good diet, regardless of calorie count.

The healthy approach to losing or maintaining a healthy weight is to choose a variety of foods from the Food Guide Pyramid to assure the necessary nutrients and to avoid foods that supply daily calories and few nutrients. Foods that are high in calories and have few nutrients are sugars, sweets, fats and oils.

Nutrition experts recommend when trying to lose weight that you limit the amount of foods eaten that are high in fat and sugar, these foods are often a source of extra calories and few nutrients. When trying to determine the best plan for your weight loss, determine what, when and where you eat, also ask yourself why you are eating and how much you usually eat.

Use the Food Guide Pyramid as a guide for balance and variety while decreasing the foods that provide the most concentrated energy in the form of fat — such as salad dressings, fat spreads, gravies, rich desserts and fried foods. Some ways to decrease these foods include: switching to lower calorie foods, change preparation methods and select lean meats and eliminate the toppings, dressings, spreads and gravies.
When trying to lose weight, or if you just want to maintain a healthy weight, exercise is a must. Choose activities to help you burn calories — walking is a good form of exercise but also gardening and sports activities will burn calories as well.

Establish a daily routine and stick with it. Something you enjoy doing will more easily become a habit rather than something that you have to force yourself to do.

- Some helpful weight control tips follow:
- Don't skip breakfast
 - Don't leave out the milk, opt for a lower fat version
 - Measure foods as you serve to assure the right portion
 - Don't add fat or sugar when preparing foods
 - Prepare meats by broiling, roasting, baking or boiling
 - Use a variety of seasonings to add taste without upping the calories
 - Check out all of the low-fat products found on the supermarket shelves and try some

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Couple creates tranquil yard with a plant-covered porch

WACO (AP) — Home is where the porch is, at least that's what Yvette Mooney believes.
Mooney and her husband, Louis, both retired educators, had a replica of Yvette's grandmother's back porch built in their East Waco back yard within the past year.
"When I was a little girl, there were so many people who were good to me," Mooney said. "I did a lot of reflecting on my life during my last year of teaching. I hoped that I had made an impact on my students' lives like so many people had for me. I started thinking about my childhood years, and I have so many endearing memories of my grandmother and being at her house. This porch is a symbol of her love."
Mooney said she and her sister and cousins spent many a day on "Mama and Daddy Ware's" back porch on South 11th Street.
"My mother would put my sister and I in pastel dresses and take us over to my grandmother's and tell us we were not supposed to get dirty, which was hard because the back yard didn't have any grass in it and it also had a chicken coop in it," Mooney said.
"So we were basically restricted to the back porch. My grandmother had a spider fern on her porch, and we all wanted to water it. At night, we'd sit on the porch and tell funny stories, jokes and ghost stories. My grandmother didn't have a porch light so ghost stories could get scary, especially if one of the cousins slipped off under the porch to grab our feet and make us scream."
The porch was like a member of the family, Mooney said.
"Grandmother's place was the gathering place.

Everybody had their spot on the porch," Mooney said. "On the Fourth of July and on the 19th of June, we'd have big cookouts. Everybody would line up on the porch to eat and visit. We all had really endearing times on that porch and with Mama. I'm in the process of journaling them all right now."
The replica porch in the Mooneys' back yard is a little different from the original, but it still brings back memories.
"I remember the day the carpenter put the door on. He asked me if it looked OK, and something touched my heart," Mooney said. "It still looks like my grandmother is going to come to the door to say, 'Don't get off the porch!'"
Mooney added: "It's quite a bit smaller and her entire porch was not covered. It's also a storage house where we keep our yard tools and seasonal decorations."
Mooney and her husband are avid gardeners. Three walls of the yard are lined with plants, trees and shrubs, and the lawn is carpeted in green grass.
"All of the plants in the backyard are shade-loving plants," Mooney said. "It's shady back here most of the time. After six to eight hours the shade completely covers the backyard."
Some of the shade-loving plants Mooney uses include caladiums, impatiens, elephant ears, begonias and geraniums.
When her sons were young, Mooney said, the back yard was a haven for all of the neighborhood children to play in. After her sons got to high school, they didn't play in it anymore. So she turned it into a peaceful retreat for her and her husband.
"We've kept this back yard up for 15 years. It's just a work of love," Mooney said.

Rio Grande Valley folk healers offer herbs, advice

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A customer seeks a way to change bad luck to good, from bad to good in affairs of the heart or in wealth.
Maria del Consuelo Flores, 32, owner of Yerberia Reynoso in downtown Brownsville, politely tells the customer she doesn't have any aguita de sandalo. However, she recommends that the customer try Matamoros, a city with plenty of yerberia stores and curanderos, roughly translated as folk healers.
Flores said people constantly walk into her store searching for remedies in the herbs she sells or in the more elaborate rituals performed by curanderos, who use a blend of religion, medicinal herbs, candles and even pagan customs.
Flores doesn't consider herself a curandera, but she provides counseling, as she calls it, to people who can't get answers from a licensed physician or hospital. She said she acquired all of her knowledge from her mother, who recently passed away.
"A lot of people come in here. Some are really depressed because they can't find any solution to their problems. I try to help them as much as I can. I don't charge, but usually they leave me donations," Flores said.
Flores establishment carries around 100 different types of herbs, including black mustard, gordolobo, cola de caballo and borraja, plants that reputedly help cure various ailments from kidney problems to chronic illnesses. She also said many customers seek the herbs for limpias, a process of purging bad spirits from the body that may be causing sickness or death.
"I not only sell herbs, potions, candles and incense, but I also provide counseling to people searching to cure old ills

Santeria, which originated in Cuba then became popular throughout the Caribbean and parts of Mexico, invokes the relationship between a saint and the individual who worships that saint.

such as lack of love, money or sickness," she said.
"People use a variety of methods for good health or limpias," Flores said. "Herbs, candles and stones play a part of the ritual."
Limpias, which literally translates as cleansings, are used to remove fears, evil spirits and bad luck. Faith is the main ingredient in cleansings, Flores said.
Yerberias can be found almost anywhere in the Rio Grande Valley. Some offer only manufactured herbs in tablet form while others, like Yerberia Reynoso, provide raw herbs, amulets, advice and Tarot card readings to people anxious for insight into their future.
Lucila Lopez, who asked that her real name not be used, said she believes in curanderos.
Following a streak of ill health, Lopez tried the limpias to rid her body of the "evil."
"Some of the herbs are better than regular medicine," said Lopez, who wouldn't discuss any of her illnesses. "I used to see my mom go see curanderos. I believe it works. At least it works for me."
Dr. Antonio Zavaleta, an anthropologist at the University of Texas at Brownsville and Texas Southmost College, said the

term curandero is used loosely by a number of people who claim supernatural powers.
"I won't call people who read cards curanderos," said Zavaleta, who's done extensive research on the subject. "They might call themselves curanderos, but I'd have a hard time referring to them as curanderos."
According to Zavaleta, true curanderos have a gift for healing.
Curanderismo is used as an umbrella term with all kinds of categories underneath it, he said.
An example of a true curandero, Zavaleta said, is El Nino Fidencio, a poor peasant who lived in Espinazo, a small community in northern Mexico in the 1920s.
Fidencio achieved fame as a healer in 1928, at the age of 30. He adopted the persona of a holy man and lived the life of an ascetic. He died 10 years later, only days short of his 40th birthday.
Madam Patricia, 34, practices Santeria, a religion that blends Catholicism with African religious ideas.
Santeria, which originated in Cuba then became popular throughout the Caribbean and parts of Mexico, involves the relationship between a saint and the individual who worships that saint.
Patricia, a native of Mante, Tamaulipas, claims she's a descendant of curanderos.
Patricia, who owns Hierberia Gitana in Matamoros, said she started to learn curanderismo when she was 7 years old.
Today she mainly practices Santeria, which involves an elaborate ritual of praying and offerings to a variety of saints.
Patricia said a lot of people confuse Santeria with devil or satanic worship, but that's wrong.

Study: Children of divorced parents choosing to stay married

CHICAGO (AP) — Adult children of divorced parents are less likely to dissolve their own marriages than they were two decades ago, researchers say.
While divorce has become more accepted in American society, the gap in the divorce rates of adults who were raised in broken homes and those from intact families has also narrowed, according to a study presented during the American Sociological Association's annual meeting in Chicago this week.
The research was based on a National Opinion Research Council survey of

21,963 adults that spanned more than 20 years.
In 1973, children of divorce were nearly three times more likely than their counterparts from intact families to divorce, the study said. By 1996, that number was down to 50 percent more likely.
Nicholas Wolfinger, a sociologist at the University of Utah who authored the study, said the trend will probably continue into the next century as the children of recent divorces grow into adulthood.

"Thirty or 50 years ago divorce was so rare, so unacceptable, that only the worst marriages broke up," Wolfinger said Wednesday. "Of course, the children of those marriages carried the experiences of growing up in terrible family circumstances with them into their own marital relationships."
Now, couples generally opt for divorce before their children have to witness the devastation, he said.
Another factor in the decline is that fewer adult children of divorced parents are getting married at all, the study

found. That is a turnaround from the mid-70s, when the same group was 36 percent more likely to get married than children of intact families.
Wolfinger said divorce still has an effect on the next generation's relationships.
"I don't think that the divorce rates for people from divorced families and intact families will ever be the same," he said.
"Divorce will always be hard on kids. It's just not nearly as hard on them as it used to be."

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REUNION NEWS

ALL BSHS 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.
World War II veterans were recognized during a previous year's ceremony.
Veterans of Korea and Vietnam are asked to send their 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.
The schedule for Homecoming activities includes the following:
• Thursday, Oct. 14, Community Pep Rally and Bonfire, 7:30 p.m.
• Friday, Oct. 15, Pep rally in Steer Gym, 2:30 p.m.; Parade through downtown Big Spring, 4 p.m.; Pre-game ceremonies and game in Memorial Stadium, 7:15 p.m.; after-game reception at Howard College.
• Saturday, Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, high school cafeteria, 2 p.m.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 506 is having a barbecue and fish fry Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. at 3203 W. Hwy. 80. The cost is \$6 per plate and carry out is available. For more information call 263-2084. The public is invited.

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ALL SENIOR CITIZENS in the community are invited to a senior health fair Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Canterbury, 1700 Lancaster. There will be many free screenings including: cholesterol, diabetes, oxygen/pulse, vision, hearing and plenty of good health information.

THE LAST WORD

Good, the more communicated, the more abundant grows.
John Milton

Our repentance is not so much regret for the evil we have done, as fear of its consequences.
Duc de la Rochefoucauld

God is not a cosmic bellboy.
Harry Emerson Fosdick

AUG 18 1999

'Blair Witch' causing more than fear for some moviegoers

ATLANTA (AP) — You may want to pick up an extra bag with your popcorn at the concession stand before seeing the "The Blair Witch Project," which is stirring up more than fear among some motion-sick moviegoers.

The low-budget horror thriller, mostly shot with shaky hand-held cameras, is raking in millions around the country. But it's not a favorite of the theater workers who have to clean up the mess left by those who get queasy watching the movie's often herky-jerky, first-person perspective.

"The first weekend someone threw up in the women's restroom, the men's restroom and in the hallway," said Kris Monroe, manager at Lefont Plaza Theater in Atlanta. "It's not pleasant to clean up."

"One guy — he was really cool — he threw up in the restroom and he just came out and asked us for a mop."

The independent film, which has taken in \$80 million since its release, follows three student filmmakers as they venture into the woods to track the legendary Blair Witch.

The mock documentary features footage supposedly shot by the students and discovered in the woods a year after their disappearance. Unlike many horror films, blood or gore is minimal.

The scenes that make people sick involve quick switches from close-up ground shots to views of the tree tops. And throughout the two-hour, seven-minute film, the picture is often grainy and out of focus.

News of the queasy reaction to the movie didn't surprise producer Robin Cowie, who said people had panic attacks during the initial screening and at the Sundance Film Festival.

"We've heard different analysis of why it happens. Some simply may get a little motion sickness, that combined with the tension and the pace of the film," Cowie said. "It's such an intense roller-coaster ride. The buzz we're hearing is it's sort of a challenge to see if you can get through it."

Dr. Helen Cohen of the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston explains: "If you're sitting still, you fool your system into thinking that you're moving if objects are being moved back and forth in front of you. You assume that you're moving."

For viewers, especially those up front in the theater, their entire visual field is filled up by the screen. They have no visual cues to tell them that they are not moving, she said.

Someone vomits at just about every showing of the movie at AMC Colonial 18 in suburban Lawrenceville, said Bonnie Hunsaker, managing director.

"This past weekend we put up a sign that said the hand-held camera can create motion sickness and if you're susceptible to motion sickness you may want to rethink your viewing choice," she said.

Horse Liniment Eases Arthritis Pain

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Barney loses lawsuit over look-alikes

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — It's not easy being purple — especially when you're surrounded by wannabes. Just ask Barney.

A federal judge ruled Wednesday against Lyons Partnership, which licenses Barney products and accused Morris Costumes of renting and selling purple, Barneylike animal costumes under different names.

Lyons sought an injunction preventing Morris Costumes from renting or selling the costumes, as well as \$300,000 for infringement of its copyright.

U.S. District Judge Graham Mullen ruled that a Duffy the Dragon costume didn't infringe

on Barney's copyright but two other costumes did because they were more similar to Barney.

But he said Morris Costumes didn't infringe willfully, so Lyons couldn't collect damages in its 1997 lawsuit.

Mullen denied the injunction request, noting that Morris Costumes had already stopped marketing the Hillary and Purple Dino costumes.

Lyons has sued or plans to sue at least 700 costume shops and other retailers in 20 states, claiming copyright infringement.

Lyons said the costumes will tarnish Barney's image if people wearing them are seen

smoking, drinking and swearing.

"There have been photographs in newspapers of a person in a bogus Barney costume with the head off smoking a cigarette," Lyons spokeswoman Kelly Lane has said.

"We have no beef with Barney," said Jay Bilas, the lawyer who helped represent Morris Costumes. "But the people behind Barney acted like bullies."

Barney is a 6-foot, grinning, green-spotted purple dinosaur who sings and dances for preschoolers on the top-rated PBS show "Barney and Friends." About 12 million people see the show each week.

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IN BRIEF

Lady Steers Booster Club sets meeting for Thursday

The Big Spring Lady Steers Booster Club will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday at the BSHS Athletic Training Center. All parents of girls involved in the volleyball, basketball, track and cheerleading squad, including managers and trainers, are urged to attend. For more information, call Debbie Churchwell at 267-7538.

Two-person scramble set at Martin County course

A two-person golf scramble has been scheduled Saturday and Sunday at the Martin County Country Club in Stanton. Entry fees are \$120 per team. For more information, call the pro shop at 756-2556.

YMCA swim team begins practice for fall season

The Big Spring YMCA swim team has begun practices for its fall season. Team membership is open to anyone between the ages of 6 and 14 who can swim one length of the pool. Practices are held from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday at the YMCA. For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

Little League football registration continuing

Youngsters in the third through the sixth grades interested in taking part in Crossroads Little League Football this fall can register from 6 to 8 each evening through Saturday at the Big Spring Mall. To register as either a player or a cheerleader, youngsters must have their birth certificate and report card from last year. Fees for the program are \$35 for players and \$15 for cheerleaders. For more information, call 263-0754 or 264-0887 after 8 p.m.

'Meet the Bulldogs' night scheduled for Monday

The Coahoma Athletic Boosters Club and the Coahoma Band Boosters Club will stage the annual "Meet the Bulldogs" night at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the elementary school cafeteria. Members of the public will meet with coaches, football players, cheerleaders and members of the band. Ice cream floats will be served and parents are encouraged to bring soft drinks or ice cream.

Youth soccer registration scheduled for Saturday

The Big Spring Youth Soccer Association has scheduled registration for the upcoming season for 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at the Big Spring Mall. Any youngster who was 4 years of age or older by Aug. 1 is eligible to play in the league.

Beach volleyball tourney scheduled for Sept. 18

A beach volleyball tournament sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee has been scheduled for Sept. 18 at Comanche Trail Park. Entry fees for the event are \$40 per team. Each team must have at least six players. For more information, call Javier Becerra at 664-9874 or 267-4560.

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Steers looking to make most of scrimmage against Lamesa

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

With just one date to scrimmage before his Steers open the 1999 football season by facing No. 7-ranked Plainview, Big Spring head football coach Dwight Butler says he'll be trying to get everything he can from Thursday's 7:30 p.m. scrimmage in Lamesa. "Things are going pretty well and I think the kids are excited that we're going to get a chance to go against somebody else," Butler said Wednesday afternoon. "We have to make the most of this one, and we'd like to be able to go a little longer than you'd normally play in a first scrimmage, but that's really up to Lamesa," Butler added, noting that the Golden Tors will not be starting the regular season on Sept. 27.

Steers fans who make the trip up Highway 87 may see the Golden Tors have a little more success than might be expected, Butler said, simply because the Steers staff hasn't spent much time concentrating on Lamesa's schemes. Instead, Butler said he and his assistants will be using the practice game as an opportunity to evaluate their personnel. "We haven't worked a lot on what Lamesa does," he explained, "because we're going to be looking at what our kids can do." That is especially true with the Steers defensive unit where the list of projected starters includes just three seniors. "We're still pretty young defensively," Butler explained, noting that the only three seniors currently listed as starters are weak side linebacker Arthur Gonzales and tackles Daniel Beauchamp and Jordan Partee.

"That doesn't mean we aren't playing well right now, though," Butler added. "As a matter of fact, everyone looks pretty good right now. Of course, we'll know a lot more after Thursday night." In addition to Gonzales, Beauchamp and Partee, the Steers' projected defensive starters are quick end Jason Woodruff, middle linebacker Bowe Butler, strong side linebacker Benito Hilaario, cornerback Ricky Solis and safeties Jason Choate and Willis Morrison. Butler said one cornerback's spot and the strong end's position remain somewhat unsettled going into the scrimmage. Cody Rubio and Kyle Britton are battling for the starting nod at end, while Larry Thompson, Jason Walker and Chris Trevino will all see work at cornerback. The Steers' offense is much more expe-

rienced with returning starters filling each of the skill positions and several line spots. Lance Brock returns to the quarterback position, while Jose Carnero and Colby Ford are back at the fullback and cornerback spots, respectively. The receiving corps is also experienced, as James Clements returns on one side and Mike Morrison, a part-time starter a year ago, is available on the other. Trevino will also see time as a wideout. Other returning starters offensively include center Jon Bagwell, strong tackle Steven Stokes and strong guard Ryan Guinn. Joe Loya, who spent some time starting a year ago, fills the quick guard's post, while Blair Nutting will start at tight end. Jade Hughes, who is scheduled to start at quick tackle, will be the only offensive starter without varsity experience.

Rangers romp to 15-4 win over shell-shocked Indians

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cleveland Indians manager Mike Hargrove isn't feeling much sympathy for his pitchers after being thrashed by the Texas Rangers for the second straight night. "We did not make many good pitches. A lot of them were up in the zone and over the plate. Bad hitters hit those. Hitters like the Rangers have will make you pay dearly," Hargrove said. "Texas has a very good club. We have a very good club. Either one of us has to play well to beat the other, except for tonight. They didn't have to play so well because we really stunk." The Rangers routed the Indians 15-4 Tuesday night. Juan Gonzalez hit a three-run homer and Tom Goodwin had four of the Rangers' 19 hits. Texas maintained a 51/2-game lead over the second-place Athletics in the AL West. Cleveland is coasting toward a fifth consecutive AL Central title, but fell a game behind the New York Yankees in the race for the best AL record.



Rafael Palmeiro, shown here being congratulated by a teammate after hitting a home run in 1993, was one of the Texas Rangers who had a big night in Tuesday's 15-4 win over Cleveland.

Aaron Sele (13-7), staked to a 6-0 lead before his first pitch, got his sixth win in seven decisions. Sele, who contained Cleveland with slow breaking balls, allowed all four runs and seven hits in seven innings. "I couldn't change the game plan just because we had the lead. I had to go at them because the Indians keep coming at you," Sele said. "After sitting so long in the first inning, I had cooled off a little, and it took me a while to get back after sitting around."

In other American League games, it was New York 5, Kansas City 2; Oakland 12, Boston 1; Seattle 8, Toronto 5; Texas 15, Cleveland 4; Baltimore 8, Minnesota 3; Chicago 4, Anaheim 3 in 12 innings; and Detroit 3, Tampa Bay 1. In National League games, it was St. Louis 6, Philadelphia 5; Montreal 2, San Francisco 1 in 12 innings; Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 4 in 12 innings; Houston 8, Milwaukee 6; Colorado 3, Atlanta 2; Arizona 4, Chicago 0; San Diego 3, New York 2; and Los Angeles 6, Florida 1.

Texas, which rallied for a 13-5 win Monday night, took a 12-1 lead after three innings Tuesday night. The last team to reach double digits in consecutive games against Cleveland had been Seattle on April 8-9, 1997.

Mark Langston (1-2) lasted just one inning, his shortest outing since Aug. 20, 1997, against the New York Yankees. Langston, who left with a strained quadriceps, allowed six runs — five earned — and six hits as his ERA rose to 5.34. "He pulled it on the last pitch he made in the inning," Hargrove said. "To finish off an inning like that with an injury is tough to take."

Carlos Baerga, re-signed by Cleveland on Monday, hit a two-run homer in the sixth. Rafael Palmeiro hit his 32nd homer for Texas. Texas took a 6-0 lead in the first on Todd Zeile's two-run double, Royce Clayton's RBI double, Ronc-scoring singles by Roberto Kelly and Goodwin and a run-scoring wild pitch.

"Todd had the biggest bat of the night with that double," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "Bases loaded and two outs and he delivers. That got us going."

Gonzalez hit his 28th homer, off Tom Martin, in the second for a 9-0 lead. Luis Alicea, who made two outs in the first inning and was hitting .179, joined the onslaught with a two-run homer in a three-run third. The homer was Alicea's second in 135 at-bats this year.

Einar Diaz had an RBI double in the Cleveland second. He also doubled and scored Omar Vizquel's single to tie in the fifth. Goodwin's fourth hit, an RBI single, made it 13-2 in the sixth. Another run scored in the inning on Alicea's ground-out.

Palmeiro homered in the seventh. "Beating the Indians is not the forefront of our focus," Oates said. "Our focus is to win the division."

Athletics 12, Red Sox 1

Miguel Tejada went 3-for-4 at Fenway Park, including a three-run homer that helped hold Bret Saberhagen to his shortest outing in four years. Oakland moved one game behind Boston in the AL wild-card race.

Ben Grieve and Scott Spiezio also homered as Oakland scored eight runs in the seventh. Spiezio and Randy Velarde each had three of the A's 17 hits.

Gil Heredia (10-5) allowed one run and 10 hits in the first nine-inning complete game of his career. Saberhagen (9-5) gave up four runs — three earned — and six hits in two innings.

Mariners 8, Blue Jays 5

Edgar Martinez homered

twice and Ken Griffey Jr. hit his league-leading 37th as Toronto lost its season-high sixth straight.

Alex Rodriguez's streak of consecutive games with a home run was stopped at five, three short of the record shared by Griffey (1993), Don Mattingly (1987) and Dale Long (1956). Rodriguez went 1-for-5. Toronto remained 2 1/2 games behind Boston in the AL wild-card race.

Paul Abbott (4-0) gave up four runs and five hits in 6 1/3 innings at SkyDome and struck out a career-high nine, and Jose Mesa pitched the ninth for his 27th save. Pat Hentgen (7-10) lost his third straight start, allowing seven runs and nine hits in six innings.

Orioles 8, Twins 3

Jesse Orsco pitched in his major league record 1,072nd game, helping preserve the win for Mike Mussina (15-7), who improved to 14-2 against Minnesota by allowing three runs and nine hits in six innings.

Orsco, 42, broke a tie with Dennis Eckersley atop the career list. He entered with two outs in the seventh inning and received a standing ovation from the crowd of 40,485 at Camden Yards.

Joe Mays (5-5) gave up four runs and eight hits in 5 1/3 innings.

White Sox 4, Angels 3

Frank Thomas hit an RBI single in the 12th, sending visiting Anaheim to its 25th loss in 31 games. Magglio Ordonez hit a two-run homer for Chicago, which has won five of six.

Anaheim, which wasted a 3-2 lead, allowed just two hits before Paul Konerko's game-tying homer in the ninth.

Lady Steers open volleyball season sweeping to wins

HERALD Staff Report

GREENWOOD — Big Spring's Lady Steers opened the 1999 volleyball season Tuesday evening in just the manner coach Traci Pierce wanted — a sweep of Brownfield's Lady Cubs and Midland Greenwood's Rangerettes.

Although Pierce admits her squad was far from flawless in its first two matches, she says the Lady Steers were much improved from last week's scrimmages against Colorado City, Snyder and Lamesa.

"Our timing is still not where it needs to be, but our passing was much better than it was Saturday," Pierce said following the 15-8, 15-5 win over Brownfield and 15-9, 13-15, 15-11 victory over Greenwood.

"The important thing is that I saw a fire in the eyes and hearts of these kids that I haven't seen in a long time — especially after Greenwood came back in that second game," she added. "That's were we've always seemed to fold in the past. Instead, these girls settled down and went right back to work and beat a good team."

In the evening's opening match, senior Cathy Jaure and junior Melissa Forth did most of the damage for Big Spring, combining for nine kills in the sweep.

Big Spring's strength in the opener, however, was its blocking game at the net. Senior Nina Evans led the way there, getting her hands on 18 shots, continually thwarting the Lady Cubs.

Big Spring netters suffer lopsided 22-2 setback to Abilene Cooper squad

HERALD Staff Report

ABILENE — Big Spring's Steers again ran into a virtual buzz saw Tuesday when they suffered a 22-2 loss to Abilene Cooper's Cougars in team tennis play.

Unlike Saturday's opener with Lubbock Coronado when the Steers' lone win came in girls' singles action, Big Spring's only success Tuesday came in boys' singles.

Jay Shroff and Alex Edgemon provided the Steers' wins. Shroff battled to a 7-5 tiebreaker win in the third set to defeat Chris Prachyl 6-1, 4-6, 7-6, while Edgemon had a somewhat easier time in taking a 6-1, 6-2 win over Cooper's Hunter Williams.

From there, however, it was all Cooper.

The Cougars chalked up six boys' singles wins as Matthew Smith took a 6-4, 7-5 win over Zach Smiley; Chris Davenport was a 6-4, 6-1 winner over Derek DeHoyos; David Frush topped Brian Watt 6-0, 6-3; Reed Stafford outlasted Aaron Langford 7-6, 4-6, 6-1; Jorge Marquez took a 6-0, 6-2 win over Brian Wingert and Reid Laurels posted a 6-2, 6-3 win over Michael Roffers.

Cooper also swept the boys' doubles matches as Smith and Frush took a 7-6, 7-5 win over Smiley and Langford; Tim Clifford and Marquez defeated Shroff and Edgemon 6-2, 6-3; and North Keeragool and Dusty Swart combined for a 6-1, 6-4 win over Watt and DeHoyos.

In the nightcap, Evans joined Forth and Jaure in accounting for 15 of the Lady Steers' 21 kills. Forth led the way with seven, while Evans chalked up five and Jaure added three.

In addition, Forth served six aces against the Rangerettes, while Evans had four.

"Our serving game was pretty impressive," Pierce said. "I was especially pleased with Nina ... she got more serves over the net last night than I've ever seen from here."

"We were a little excited at the service line on our game points and made a few mistakes, but we're going to get there."

It was just the kind of start Pierce wanted going into Friday and Saturday when the Lady Steers will take part in the Odessa High School Invitational tournament where they'll face the host Lady Bronchos, as well as El Paso Austin's Lady Panthers and El Paso Socorro's Lady Bulldogs.

The Lady Steers are scheduled to open Friday's tournament with a 10 a.m. match, followed with matches at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The Lady Steers junior varsity, which opened the season by beating Brownfield and losing to Greenwood on Tuesday, will also take part in the Odessa tournament. The JV squad's games are slated for 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday.

Big Spring's freshmen also split their matches during Tuesday's action — falling to Brownfield before rebounding for a win over Greenwood.

Mixed doubles action saw Cooper's Davenport and Julie Fincher take a 6-1, 6-2 win over Partee and Megan Roffers, while Stafford and Connie Sexton defeated Wingert and Melissa Cypert 6-1, 6-0.

Cooper also swept the girls' singles matches. Hoeforhael took a 6-3, 6-3 win over Ward; Smith beat Vera 6-2, 6-2; and Garcia defeated Roffers 6-1, 6-3. In addition, Culotta continued the blitz with a 6-2, 6-1 win over Richardson; Andrea Popellu topped Lara 6-0, 6-3; Sarah Byrd beat Arguello 6-0, 6-0; Pare Radillo downed Cypert 6-4, 6-1; and Dee Mays beat Mindy Partee 6-0, 6-4.

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Unusual ingenuity helps you break past restrictions. Your creativity allows you to see others in a more positive light and to create wonderful scenarios. Sometimes you will be disappointed, as others let you down. Remember, you're the one who's putting others on those pedestals! If single, you could encounter one of the most intense relationships of your life. Dealing with this passionate energy will take all of your interpersonal skills. If attached, you could decide to take your relationship to the next level. A new addition to your life together is also possible, be it a child, home or new toy. You play well with SAGITTARIUS.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***Inspiration and reality mix. You get a lot done and have a good sense of what lies

ahead. Adjust plans. Make sure you are getting what you want. Information comes forward that requires thought. Check out the validity of the source. Tonight: Talk about a getaway.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***Others see finances differently than you do and express their concerns. Take a leap of faith. Vagueness from someone in charge generally is difficult to handle, but you cruise through work anyway. You feel inspired! Tonight: Get together with a favorite person.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***You draw others who express their hopes and dreams to you. Nevertheless, you feel pushed and pulled by a particularly controlling individual. Learn to work around this person and not take his issues on as your own. Tonight: Where people are.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***Another approach or work method is suggested. You have little to lose and much to gain. Listen to feedback from a

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ***Feedback is important, especially to a domestic issue. Visualizing adds to the quality of your work. Swap ideas with another. Together, you come up with a remarkable plan. Explore an opportunity to spend more time at home. Tonight: Make a favorite meal.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ***Explore a new friendship. What seems too good to be true probably is! Get errands done and clear your desk. Seek better understanding with others. A light approach goes far with a child or loved one. Take off your rose-colored shades! Tonight: At a favorite spot.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ***Expenses could get out of whack again. Reconfigure your budget to make it manageable once more! Listen to feedback from a family member. Question just how realistic he is. Don't commit to something that is a bit far out. Tonight: Do some price comparing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ***Your dynamic ways draw others, though on some level you might want to be more subtle. Be aware of a possible tendency to compartmentalize. Use your imagination

UNFURNISHED APTS.

FREE RENT-Mention this ad and rent a one, two or three bedroom apartment (furnished or unfurnished) with a 18-month lease agreement that provides for the sixth month RENT FREE. Coronado Hills Apartment, 801 W. Marcy, 267-6500. "Remember, you deserve the best."

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3 bedroom, 2 bath house w/ eff. apt. in rear. Call 263-4410.

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COAHOMA ISD - 3 bd, 2 1/2 bath. Nice brick. \$250/dep. \$500/mo. Call 254-918-5745 or 915-394-4363.

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Wednesday, Aug. 18, the 230th day of 1999. There are 135 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Aug. 18, 1587, Virginia Dare became the first child of English parents to be born on American soil...

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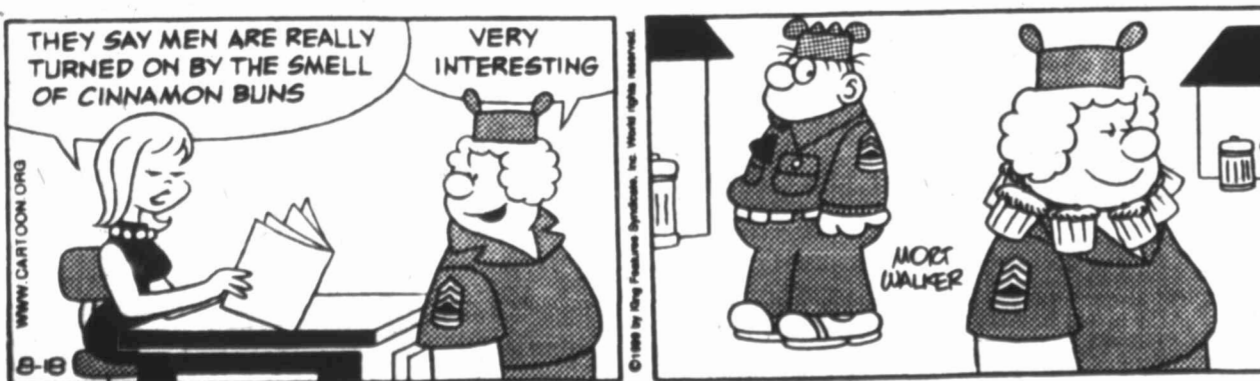
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