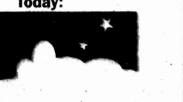
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## **BSISD** trustees to mull vacation policy Thursday

Trustees of Big Spring Independent School District meet Thursday at 5:15 to discuss the three week vacation policy for non-professional employees.

During budget workshop in July, trustees decided to eliminate the three-week vacation for those employees with 15 or more years of service to the district. Instead, a double step pay increase was approved, and two additional holidays was also approved.

Since then, some trustees have had second thoughts about eliminating the extra week of vacation. Several options have been presented trustees by administrators, and a final decision is expected at this meeting.

Also, trustees will have a public hearing concerning the Academic Excellence Indicator System, and hear a presentation from Census 2000 director Charlene Wertz.

## WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

**D** Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

#### THURSDAY

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

☐ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes. 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and

 Christmas in April noon, Lions Club Den, 1607 E. Third.

☐ Friends of the Library, Howard County noon. Library.

☐ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus

Room. American Legion Auxiliary, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall.

☐ Masonic Lodge No. 598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

☐ Big Spring Newcomers Club contact Pat Mireles for time and location at 267-8741.

#### **FRIDAY**

Mountain Signal Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Bring a lunch.

AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.

☐ Immaculate Heart of Mary Church fall festival, 5 p.m. Dinner, games, garage sale, live musical entertainment and crafts, 1009 Hearn.

Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

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## Labor Day period a quiet one for Big Spring and Howard County

RICK McLAUGHLIN

Staff Writer

Thirty-eight were killed and 36 injured in trafcrashes throughout the state during the 78-hour Labor Day weekend Texas Department of Public Safety

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reported Tuesday, but there

injuries in the Big Spring and Howard County areas.

According to preliminary reports, the 34 fatal accidents statewide included 13 one-vehicle crashes, 14 two-vehicle collisions, two that involved more than two vehicles, four autopedestrian accidents and one auto-bicycle accident.

In Big Spring, there were no fatal crashes. There were two major crashes in which no one was seriously injured, six minor accidents and five driving-while-intoxicated, said Sgt. Roger Sweatt of the Big Spring Police Department.

anticipated. We were pleasantly surprised." said Sweatt. "We're usually quite busy on a holiday weekend. There were less accidents and less reports than we anticipated. We don't know if the rain kept everyone inside and quiet or what, but it was definitely quieter than we anticipated.

The local office of the DPS was pleased as well. "It was just steady traffic all weekend above average of course since it was a holiday weekend," said Sgt. Larry Meadors. "It (the weekend) was about average,

"It was quieter than what we not much really and quite routine. There were a few minor accidents. It was quiet in a lot of ways and for us, that's good," concluded Meadors. "It's the kind we like.' For the Howard County

> Sheriff's Office, it was about the same. "Pretty quiet," said Sheriff Bill Jennings. "Nothing major happened and that's good," he said. Statewide, there were four

> fatal collisions Friday, 10 on Saturday, 14 on Sunday and 10 on Monday. Sixty-three percent of the fatalities occurred between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m.

In cases where seat belt usage was pertinent and could be determined, the DPS said 48 percent - 13 of 27 of those killed weren't wearing safety belts. Seven people were ejected from their vehicles.

Thirty-four percent, or 13, of the deaths involved people 19 years old or younger. Only 20 percent of those killed in that age group were wearing safety belts. A 2-month-old girl and a 9year-old girl were among those not properly restrained, said the

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## United Way drive takes off in Howard County

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

were no deaths or serious

Staff Writer

The United Way Kickoff Luncheon burst forth with a laugh, music, and a bull's eye strike, reporting 12 percent of

\$225,000 goal has already been raised. "We know

have William Tells a-plenty. we've strung the bow tight, and the are readv



fly," said Campaign Chairman Clara Savage. The annual luncheon, which

marks the beginning of the fall campaign, featured the talents of the Bellamy Brothers, with Carroll Jennings, United Way executive director, who gave guests a touch of a roast.

"This is an exciting program, an exciting day and this will be a great campaign," Jennings

According to Richard Steel, United Way president, thus far the Pacesetters Division, organized by Stan and Sue Partee, has raised \$18,000.

Murphy Murphy has received a \$5,500 commitment from four campuses within Big Spring Independent School District, and another \$4,000 has been promised through the Professional Division, according to Steel.

"So before the season officially, begins we've raised \$30,500," Steel said.

United Way exceeded its goal in 1998, and Savage said the organization, which supplies funds to 11 different social service agencies in Howard County, has met its goal for the



Howard and David Bellamy entertained a full house at Wednesday's United Way kickoff luncheon in Garrett Hall at First United Methodist Church. They ended a four-song set with international hit, "Let

> Representatives from the 11 ed by McMahon. The United Way provides

disbursement of funds, present-

McMahon, United Way second tion, as well as their September See UNITED WAY, Page 2A

# Bellamy Brothers don't mind lending a helping hand to those around them

everybody else," said David.

different agencies attended the

vice president.

stays here," said Cavan luncheon and received recogni-

By BILL McCLELLAN

Your Love Flow."

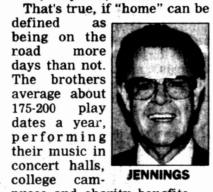
past three years.

"It is very important to know

that all the money raised here

**News Editor** 

To meet Howard and David on the street, chances are you'd never realize that these lowkey, down-to-earth guys are the internationally acclaimed Bellamy Brothers.





puses and charity benefits such as the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County's kickoff luncheon Tuesday. We've been involved in a lot

of charitable organizations,' said Howard, who at 53 is four years older than David. "We've been able to see a lot of end results from that.

They credit their upbringing for getting involved in charitable concerns.

"Our mother was one of the most generous people I've ever known." said Howard. "She's truly remarkable.'

Beyond that is the personal satisfaction, said Howard.

"After you get your wits about you and a little age under you, you realize it all goes full circle and you have to pass things along," he said. "I feel sorry for people that don't understand that. I know every time I have given, it has come back at least three-fold for me."
The Bellamy Brothers got

"We're just homefolks like involved with United Way through Carroll Jennings, the local organization's executive director.

"I think he just kinda showed up at our place in Florida," said David. "He just popped in one day in the mid-80s."

Jennings was in charge of United Way for Pasco County, Fla. and asked the brothers to let him use two of their songs "Feeling to Feeling" and "Let Your Love Flow" in a video to promote the organiza-

"He is such an outgoing, charming character. He convinced us to get involved," said Howard. In addition to United Way.

the brothers have helped a number of other organizations during their 25 years in the music business. "One of the organizations

we've worked with is St. Jude's Hospital," said Howard. "It's a great organization and we're glad to have been able to be a part of that.' "That, United Way and the

Red Cross have been the three major organizations," said David. "This year, we've done a lot with the American Cancer Society, too.' Some of the charitable events

are worked into the schedule as openings arise. That was the case with the brother's perfor-

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## Leaders

## Chamber seeks applicants for Leadership Big Spring program

By MARSHA STURDIVANT

Staff Writer

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is looking for a few good men...and women...to

become gradu-r ates of the 17th annual Leadership Big Spring program. "This is an

excellent program, and gives community members an opportunity



to learn more about the Big Spring and the various businesses here," said Terri Newton, chamber of commerce

executive director. Newton said there are several reasons to join the program. which requires attendance one day a month for 10 months. The first class is set for Sept. 16, and will be a day-long leadership

workshop. "Anyone who wants to be in the program must attend that day. Then on the third Thursday of each month, the class members will have a half day of leadership training, and tours through various entities in the afternoon," Newton said.

Liz Lowery, Howard College division director for general studies, will teach leadership classes to those who attend, Newton said. This year the program will feature the Stephen Covey program, "Seven Habits of Highly Effective People."

"Liz has recently become certified to teach that program, and she will also be using other knowledge she's acquired. Liz has a lot of leadership skills that she will share with the g oup," Newton said. The cost of the 10-month

course is \$250, which includes meals, materials and all tours, Newton said. "Often businesses will send

their key employees, to allow them to learn more about Big Spring," she said. One reason to participate in

the Leadership Big Spring program is to learn about the many industries and businesses in Big Spring, she said. "Also, this is a good network-

ing opportunity to get together with other business leaders and discuss ideas and concerns. she said. And the opportunity to learn

management skills is an additional bonus to the program, she said.

This year Danelle Castillo,

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## Jury to deliberate fate of man charged with sexual assault of a child

By JOHN H. WALKER

It took just one hour, 18 minutes for the state to present its case against Alfredo Edward Garza in 118th District Court this morning. District Judge Robert H. Moore III gave the jury a 30-minute break at 9:45 so he could complete the charge to

Garza, 27, is charged with sexual assault of a child and aggravated sexual assault of a child. Assistant District Attorney Dale Dupree called three witnesses to testify - the alleged victim, the defendant's ex-wife

Flynn V. Long Jr. serves his plate at the United Way kickoff lun-

cheon Wednesday in Garrett Hall at First United Methodist

Church. An overflow crowd came to hear the Bellamy Brothers in

celebration of the community's United Way fund drive.

Big Spring Police Department detective Jim The alleged victim testified in low, sometimes almost unin-

telligible voice that she and Garza had sex on two occasions - once when she was under 14 years old and once when she was older than 14.

Age is an important issue in the case. If the victim were less than 14, the incident becomes a first-degree felony, punishable by a prison term of between five and 99 years. If the victim were 14 or older, the offense is a sec-

ond-degree felony punishable by a jail term of between two-and-20 years.

Defense attorney Charles Myers, in his opening statement, asked the jury to pay close attention to the dates and ages given in both statements to the police as well as in testimo-

Listen closely," he cautioned Listen for any discrepancies ).

you are the gatekeepers."

The victim said the first offense occurred while the then-Mrs. Garza was at work and the defendant, who was employed at Cornell Corrections as a guard, came home for lunch.

The girl, now 17, said she was babysitting the couple's son at the time and that the defendant

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## OBITUARIES

Roger Miller Roger Miller, 84, Big Spring,

died Tuesday, Sept. 7, 1999, in an Odessa

hospital Funeral service will be 2 m Thursday, Sept. 9, 1999, Nalley-Pickle Wel'ch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Claude



Craven, retired Baptist minister, officiating, assisted by Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial

He was born Sept. 29, 1914, in Big Spring and married Ellen Ann Moog on June 8, 1946, in Lovington, N.M. She preceded him in death Aug. 19, 1991.

Mr. Miller was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and Howard County. His parents were B.F. and Tina Miller who were pioneer Howard County settlers. Mr. Miller farmed and ranched until he retired in the late 1970s.

He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. Mr. Miller was a member of the China, Burma and India Veterans Association, life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and member and past commander of the American Legion Post

Survivors include: one son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Marie Miller of Midland; one grandson, Shane Miller of Midland; two granddaughters, Meredith Miller of Midland and Carol Jeter and her husband, Steve, of Big Spring; and four great-grandchildren, Presley Miller of Midland, Danielle Jeter, Breeana Jeter and Jensen Jeter, all of Big Spring.

He was also preceded in death by three sisters and two brothers. The family will be at 103

Washington Blvd. They suggest memorials be made to the Trinity Baptist Church building fund, 810 E. 11th Place, Big Spring.

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

#### Ann Sullivan

Service is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home for Ann Sullivan, 78, of Big Spring. She died Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1999, at her home.

## QUIET

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So far, two of the wrecks have been confirmed as alcohol-related, but investigations are continuing and that number is expected to increase, the DPS

Half of the crashes, 17,

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Ann Sullivan, 78, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

#### NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH **Funeral Home**



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Roger Miller, 84, died Tuesday. Services will be 2:00 PM Thursday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

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involved someone losing control for various reasons, including three that may have been related to rain. Two were blamed on people falling asleep, with four others blamed on drivers failing to yield the right of way.

Nine were crossover collisions, where vehicles went into an oncoming lane of traffic. There were six head-on colli-

#### LEADERSHIP

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Salvation Army social service director, will conduct tours of the various entities the class visits, Newton said.

"Each month is devoted to a different sector within the community. We will have medical day and government day and education day," Newton said.

Participants will also learn the agricultural opportunities in Big Spring, as well as utilities and communication, she said.

Participants will be required to attend three board meetings of a local government entity, as well as ride in a patrol car with a city of Big Spring police officer, and must also take part in a community project.

'They are allowed to miss no more than two days," Newton

Graduation is in May, and there is room for up to 25 individuals in the 1999-2000 program, she said.

For more information contact the chamber of Commerce at 263-7641.

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came home and started talking

She said he was "trying to get me to go to his room ... I told him I didn't want to ... he took my clothes off ... he took his clothes off ... we had sex."

The second incident, she testified, took place about a year later when both the defendant and his wife were at home. She said while the defendant's

wife and children were asleep he took her into one of the children's rooms and they again had sex.

Dupree asked if the defendant's wife was in the house, why didn't the victim cry out for help?

"I was scared. I was afraid he'd hit me. He broke a chair." But under cross examination, Myers was able to raise the question of exactly when the sexual encounters took place and whether the victim was under 14 or not.

Myers was also able to point out that the chair the victim said Garza broke was broken the alleged sexual encounter - not before.

"Then that didn't have anything to do with scaring you, did it?' he asked. "No," she answered, softly.

Garza's ex-wife testified she had been told of the alleged incidents by her pastor and that she confronted her husband.

"I asked him if he had had sex with her," she said. "He asked me, 'What?' "

"I asked him again and told him not to lie ... to tell the truth. He said 'yes' he had had sex with her, but that it was consensual.'

She then testified she told him she wanted a divorce, packed some bags and left. The couple has since divorced.

Rider testified as to his investigation and said that based on his experience, the victim exhibited some of the characteristics of a child who had been sexually assaulted.

The state rested at 9:43 a.m., followed immediately by the defense, which called no wit-

The case was expected to go to the jury before lunch.

### **BROTHERS**

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mance at Garrett Hall on

Tuesday. "Carroll noticed that we had this time open, and because of our relationship with him, we said sure. We happened to be in Austin anyway and were going to New York. It's not much further out of the way from Big

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Spring to New York than Austin to New York," said Howard.

From Big Spring, the brothers were to head to New York, Florida, Vermont, New Jersey and then begin their South Pacific Tour with stops by flying to New Caledonia on Sept. 20. The tour includes performances in Australia, Japan, Guam and Okinawa.

Overseas trips are a frequent part of the Bellamy Brothers tours.

"All of the Scandinavian countries really seem to enjoy our music," said David.

"Let Your Love Flow," which was the breakthrough record for the brothers 20 years ago, was actually a hit overseas before it went big in the United States.

"It was number one in Germany for eight weeks," said Howard.

Through the years, the brothers have scored 13 number one singles, more than 30 Top 10 hits and 50 chart singles. including "If I Said You Had A Beautiful Body," "Redneck "Old Hippie" and Girl," "Reggae Cowboy."

Being overseas doesn't stop the brothers from giving of their time.

"We're doing more USO shows," said David. "We were in Bosnia on the Fourth of July and did a USO show there. It was very interesting. We'll be doing USO shows in Guam and Okinawa on this tour."

Between dates, the brothers returned to the family ranch, where they raise brangus. angus and crossbred cattle and quarter horses.

## **UNITED WAY**

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funding for the American Red Cross, Boys Club of Big Spring, Buffalo Trail Council Boy Scouts of America, Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, Northside Community center. Rape Crisis/Victim Services, Salvation Army, Westside Community Center. Westside Day Care Center, West Texas Girl Scout Council and the YMCA.

Savage said the greatest battle times.

"We know we will accomplish this year's goal. Our aim is good and true, we have a sharp eye on the bull's eye, and we know we will win this town," Savage said.

Campaign division chairmen are: Sue and Stan Partee, Pacesetters; Gloria McDonald Doris Huibregtse, Community Division; O.L. Cooper and Allan Johnson, Commercial Division; Bobby Cordova, Combined Federal Campaign; Maureen and Rudy Haddad and Betty Kelly, Professional Division; Scott Edwards and Mark Odle. Loaned Executive Division; and Jody Nix, Special Events.

## Bankers say they will help farmers

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas bankers say they are ready to help farmers who are struggling to recover from low commodity prices and two years of droughts.

"We've got to work together," said Billy Morgan, vice president of lending at Elgin Bank of Texas. "We've got to stay with them in bad times, and we expect them to stay with us when times are good. It works both ways."

Federal Deposit The Insurance Corp. last month warned that any U.S. banks lending money to commoditybased businesses could see substantial losses if prices don't bounce back.

Nationally, banks and other lenders loaned \$206 billion to commodity industries in 1998 26 percent of all commercial and industrial loans, according to the FDIC. In Texas, the most dominant commodity sectors are agriculture and oil and gas, followed by chemicals and elec-

tronics. For bankers, agriculture is the biggest concern. This season produced plentiful yields across Texas, with cotton regis-

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tering its strongest crop since 1989. Still, with prices for all crops hovering near record lows, farmers may not recoup enough of their expenses and previous losses to repay their loans.

"Obviously, the banks that extend credit are going to see deterioration in credit quality," Rick Smith, head of the Texas Bankers Association, told the Austin American-Statesman. "It's incumbent upon them to monitor that and respond to those changes quickly, keeping borrowers in business as they try to cope.'

Most bankers said they were not worried about impending losses - they anticipated this season's market and built up cash and asset reserves or diversified their portfolios into other areas, such as home

"This has not slipped up on us," said Robert Brown of the Farm Credit Bank of Texas. We lend primarily to farmers. but we've tried to diversify with people who have outside income or investments in other areas.

But that could change with one more bad farm season.

"If they go another year without break-even income, it certainly will be devastating," said Brown. "It'll be awful for farmers and it will trickle down to the banks.'

Although Texas bankers say they don't plan to reduce availability of loans, about a quarter increased collateral requirements this past year. Danny Klinefelter, an economist for the state's Agricultural Extension Service at Texas A&M University, said the tougher requirements indicate growing concern about loan problems and borrowers' ability to repay them.

Some farmers are storing excess crop in bulk, hoping prices rise, according to Joe Muecks of Williamson County

'They're optimists," Muecks said of the farmers, "They keep to wage for this year's campaign hoping things will get better in is against difficult economic a few months, or that the government will come out with some life support

## Officer's misadventure still a mystery

NEW YORK (AP) - An offduty police officer insists he doesn't know how he ended up deep inside a subway tunnel, covered with soot, with one ankle broken and evidence he had fired 15 shots.

Service on three subway lines in lower Manhattan was interrupted for nearly four hours on Labor Day after David Mercado shot out a train signal to get someone to rescue him.

The misadventures of Officer Mercado, 34, began after he finished a shift at Police Headquarters late Sunday and went out with two fellow officers. Police declined to say whether alcohol was consumed. He told investigators he

## **Sunday** deadlines

All Sunday items (wedanniversaries. dings. birth engagements, announcements, Who's Who, military) are due to the Herald office by Wednesday at noon.

Wedding, engagement, anniversary and birth announcement forms are available in the editorial department.

Pictures are to be picked up no later than 30 days after publication or they will be discarded.

## TEXAS LOTTERY

boarded a northbound train

he awoke in the subway tunnel with his ankle apparently broken in two places. Mercado said he spent more than three hours in the tunnel, yelling and covering a train signal with his shirt in futile efforts to attract someone to

rescue him. He was finally found about 8 a.m. after he attracted the attention of a subway motorman by shooting out the signal.

Police said 15 empty shell casings were found in the area, and believe Mercado had emptied his service pistol. Mercado, a six-year veteran,

was suspended from duty pending an investigation, said Officer Kevin Tyrell.

## 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.

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 sup-

port 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 Jamee Wagner at 263-1211, up to tro re ·Grief Support related to the

death of a loved one. Call

Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264 ·Alzheimer's Association Support Group, last Thursday of the month, Comanche Trail Nursing Center, 3200 Parkway,

7 p.m. Call 267-9459. •Narcotic Anonymous, 8 p.m. St. Mary's Episcopal Church.

Call 268-4189 (pager no.) •Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., 615 Settles. IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT GROUP LISTING, PLEASE

SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

### BRIEFS

THE TEXAS DEPART MENT OF Health will have a shot clinic Saturday from 8:30 to 11:30 and from 1 to 4 p.m. Please bring your child's shot record or a note from school.

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

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

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

HANGAR 25 AIR MUSEUM is making available memberships to interested citizens.

Members will get discounts at the gift shop, receive a quarterly newsletter and invitations to member-only parties. Anyone who purchases a membership through the end of this year will be considered a charter member. The membership will



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be valid through 2000. near Canal Street around 4:30 Memberships available are a.m. Monday, but doesn't Founder, \$1,000; Patron, \$500; remember anything else until Supporting, \$250; Family, \$60: Individual, \$30; and Student,

> For more information, contact Nelda Reagan or Susan Lewis at 264-2362.

## MARKETS

Dec. cotton 52,35 cents, up 17 points; Oct. crude 22.55, down 6 points; cash hogs at 34 even; cash steers steady at 66 even; Oct. lean hog futures 45.70. down 45 points; Oct. live cattle futures 67.50, down 22 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation. Other markets were unavailable by

## FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Spring Department/EMS reports: **TUESDAY** 

7:46 a.m. — 2800 block McAuslan, transfer to Midland Memorial. 8:25 a.m. - 3200 block Ave.

C, medical call, patient transported to Scenic/Mountain Medical Center. 8:54 a.m. — 1500 block Phillips, medical call, patient

transported to SMMC. 11:13 a.m. — 1900 block Simler, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

11:25 a.m. — 600 block E. 12th, medical call, patient transported to SMMC. 1:25 p.m. - 3200 block

Swords, medical call, patient transported to SMMC. 2:04 p.m. -1300 block Mobile, medical call, patient

transported to SMMC. 8:30 p.m. — 1500 block Kentucky Way, medical call, service refused. lence, whi

## POLICE

cation.

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Tuesday and 8 a.m. Wednesday. ·CYNTHIA THOMAS, 20,

was arressted on county war-• EDWIN SMUIN, 52, was arrested for public intoxication. •MICHAEL HUNTER, 60, was arrested for public intoxi-

•JOSEPH PRATT, 48, was arrested for public intoxication. ·JOHNNY COOK, no age available, was arrested for criminal trespass.

·BETHANY COLLINS, 28, was arrested for possession of marijuana. •TERRY COLLINS, 27, was

arrested for possession of marijuaną. •THEFT was reported in the 1200 block of 11th Place.

FORGERY was reported in

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the 300 block of Gregg. ·MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 500 block of Main.

TATION was reported in the 400 block of E. Eighth. ·DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported at 10th and Gregg. DOMESTIC DISTUR-**BANCES** were reported at 13th

and Donnely, the 1900 block of

Wasson, the 100 block of E. 15th

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Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes to help

young George W. Bush gain a

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In a copyright story for

Wednesday editions, The Dallas

Morning News quotes two

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Barnes, a businessman, lobbyist and Democratic politician, was speaker of the Texas House when Bush became a Guard jet pilot in 1968. He served as lieutenant governor from 1969-73.

died in 1996.

According to the report, Barnes' friends said he told them that one of his staff members forwarded Adger's request

- Late to Brig. Gen. James Rose, who with Adger but said the former

Houston oilman Sidney A. died in 1993.

While campaigning Tuesday in New Hampshire for the GOP presidential nomination, Bush told the newspaper that if such a contact occurred, then it was without his knowledge or con-

Asked whether Adger, a longtime friend of Bush's father, former president George Bush, or anyone else approached Barnes about the Guard, Bush said, "I have no idea and I don't believe so.

"I applied to be a pilot in the Guard and I met the requirements and the people who decided I was going to be in the Guard have said publicly that there was no influence," Bush

A spokeswoman for the elder Bush confirmed his friendship

president was "almost positive" he never talked to Mr. Adger — or anyone else about getting his son into the

"He said he is fairly certain I mean he doesn't remember everything that happened in the 1960s — but he said he and Sid Adger never, ever talked about George W. and the Texas Air National Guard," Jean

Becker said. Adger, a businessman and former pilot for Pan American World Airways, lived in the same Houston neighborhood and sent his children to the same private school as the Bushes.

Barnes, who acknowledges he sometimes received requests for help in obtaining Guard slots, has denied getting a call

Report: Oilman asked for Bush to get Guard post from anyone in the Bush fami-

> However, he has declined to comment on whether someone else contacted him on Bush's

> He is scheduled to be questioned Thursday about the matter during a deposition to be taken in connection with a wrongful termination lawsuit filed by former state lottery director Lawrence Littwin.

> Littwin's attorneys are trying to find out whether Barnes, a former lobbyist, for GTECH Corp., the state's lottery operator, helped Bush get into the Guard.

In papers filed in a federal court in Dallas; Littwin said Barnes " ... is alleged to have helped the current Governor George Bush avoid active duty during the Vietnam War.'

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## DPS calls discovery of flares among evidence 'important'

DALLAS (AP) - Illumination flares were fired before the fatal end to the government's standoff with Branch Davidians, prompting the Texas Public Safety Commission chairman to question why more illumination was needed at the sect's spotlighted compound, according to a published report today.

The Dallas Morning News copyright story detailed discovery of expended military illumination flares amid tons of evidence recovered from the Mount Carmel compound near Waco.

"These flares are potentially a very important issue, inasmuch as the government had enormous spotlights trained on the compound throughout the standoff," James B. Francis Jr. of Dallas, head of the Texas Department of Public Safety, told The Dallas Morning News on Tuesday.

"They didn't need these flares to light the compound. One or more was fired," he said. "For what purpose or reason would these rounds be used?"

But Francis said he could not say which government officials the FBI or military — fired

David Koresh and 78 followers died in the April 19, 1993, fire at the Branch Davidian compound. In the ATF raid that led to the siege, four federal agents died and 16 were wounded. Six Davidians died in the gun bat-

The newspaper said Texas Rangers searching a Waco storage facility Friday for missing pyrotechnic tear-gas grenades discovered a star parachute flare.

And evidence logs showed more flares were recovered in the weeks after the compound burned following the FBI siege and tear-gas assault, Francis

John Collingwood, an FBI spokesman, said he could not flatly rule out the agency's use of illumination rounds at the

'Several times during the standoff, they had people sneaking in or out of the compound at wight. Whether they ever used them then, I don't know," said Coffingwood. "But I can say categorically, we did not use illuReno offers Danforth independent inquiry post in Waco siege

WASHINGTON (AP) Attorney General Janet Reno is negotiating with former Republican Sen. Danforth the possibility of heading an independent inquiry into the government's use of force at the fiery end of the Branch Davidian standoff in Waco, Texas, government sources said.

The sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press on Tuesday that the Justice Department was in final negotiations over the details of the independent inquiry and an announcement could come as early as today.

Congressional officials who spoke with the Justice Department Tuesday said they understood Danforth was willing to take the job. According to government lawyers and congressional the officials, Department was considering appointing a second person to assist Danforth in the investigation and help to manage the day-to-day operations.

Danforth, 63, would bring solid Republican credentials as well as a background in law enforcement. Before entering the Senate, he served as attorney general in Missouri for eight years. He retired from the Senate in

Danforth also is an Episcopal priest, and both admirers and detractors have noted his moral integrity and his stubborn independence.

Some GOP lawmakers want to know whether the FBI lied about using incendiary tear gas canisters during the final raid. The FBI's revelation has led to plans for an independent inquiry into the government's use of force there.

Use of the pyrotechnic rounds, Attorney General Janet Reno has said, violated her strict instructions that nothing capable of sparking a fire be used during the FBI tear-gas

#### Hispanic investors buying telephone lines in Texas, N.M. ment includes provisions for

DALLAS (AP) - GTE Corp.'spending sale of thousands of telephone lines in rural Texas and New Mexico to a group of investors would create one of the nation's largest Hispanictelecommunications companies, according to the prospective buyers.

The investors' company, dba Communications, includes former New Mexico Gov. Toney Anaya, former U.S. Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan and 10 other Hispanic businessmen.

Irving, Texas-based GTE on Tuesday agreed to sell about 400,000 lines for between \$1.1 these customers.'

Americans favor tougher gun

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deadly Littleton school shoot-

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Strong backing for tougher

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billion and \$1.4 billion, unnamed sources familiar with the deal told The Dallas Morning News.

"Today is an exciting day for the Hispanic business community, our new customers in New Mexico and Texas, and GTE employees in those states," read a joint statement by the group of 12 investors. "We look forward to working with the dedicated employees who are currently serving GTE's customers in Texas and New Mexico to provide enhanced, high-quality telecommunications services to

The closely held telephone company, based in Washington, D.C., would be among the 20 largest local exchange companies in the United States, as measured by access lines, with

the deal, according to GTE. 'We are very pleased with this transaction," said John Appel, president-GTE Network Services. "It represents another significant milestone in our wireline property repositioning process and a major step toward increased ownership diversity in the telecommunications industry.

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The Big Spring Harley Owners Group would like to take this opportunity to thank all the businesses and individuals that helped make the

The response from the citizens and business of Big Spring and Howard County was beyond our wildest expectations. When we started this

project in February we envisioned at least one year's time to collect the \$16500.00 needed to purchase this piece of lifesaving technology.

People young and old, businesses large and small came to our fund raising events. You came to The Harley Davidson Shop, Mel's and The

Bookworm and dropped money in collection buckets. Members of our group were even stopped on the street and given donations for the

project. The culmination of this project will be Saturday, September 11th at 3:00 p.m. at the 70th anniversary party of the Harley Davidson

The names listed below are in no particular order, because it does not matter whether you gave big or small.. The important thing is that the

citizens of Big Spring and Howard County set the example for the surrounding area by showing that any project no matter how big can be

The only problem with making a list is that someone is invariably left off. If you are that person or business you have both our deepest

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WASHINGTON (AP) - Most that 56 percent of American adults favored stricter gun laws Colorado shootings, 55 percent and 39 percent opposed them. of adults favored tougher gun Sixty-six percent of women laws. When the question was favored the tougher laws, compared with 45 percent of men. after the shootings, the propor-Thirty percent of women and 49 tion jumped to 63 percent.

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OUR VIEWS

# Lengthy wait for VA home

# will be worth it

pe don't know if it's a West Texas observation or not, but we've often heard that good things take their time to get here, while bad things don't seem to take any time at all. We admit to having been a little apprehensive as start-up of the Big Spring State Veterans Home seemed to incur delay after delay, but dirt work at the site surely means good things are coming to Howard County.

This is one of the most beneficial projects we can think of for Big Spring, indeed, for the entire Crossroads Area. Looking at it from a purely economic posture, you have to feel good about the work it will bring to Howard County. Hundreds of people will benefit from the jobs generated by construction of the 76,000 square-foot facility. We're hoping that as many local contractors as possible will be put on the project, which will take about a year to complete.

A project of that magnitude has to benefit local restaurants, motels and shops to some degree as well and not just when the facility is being constructed either, but after it is complete, when families come to visit loved ones who will call it home.

Then there are the 150 or so jobs — mostly health care related — that the state home is expected to generate after it is open. That's another boost to the tax base, and one we certainly welcome.

But the reason we like this project so much is its purpose in the first place, and that's to provide a home to our veterans, those men and women who served this country so admirably. As Cary Brown, CEO at the Veterans Association Medical Center said, it's the "right" thing to do for veterans in our area. Here, they'll be able to receive the long-term care and services they need and deserve.

It's going to take a while for the project to be completed, the final coat of paint put on and the doors opened. But now that activity has begun, that time will pass more quickly, no doubt.

It's true that good things take their time coming. This is one that will be worth the wait.

## Your Views

TO THE EDITOR:

People often express jubilation, joy, happiness and approval with a loud voice of excitement.

When our favorite team scores a touchdown, when our favorite batter hits a home run, at the wrestling matches or during boxing, crowds can be heard either cheering or booing LOUDLY!

Yet, when it come to the subject of God and godliness or Christ-likeness, we Christians are expected to not be excited (as one who came to my house to openly and loudly mock, ridicule and laugh at my praise), to hush, be still, be quiet because "It just don't take all of that!'

John Osteen, now deceased, who pastored Lakewood Church in Houston and who, in my opinion, was the greatest pastor who ever lived,

addressed this issue by saying that praise and adoration for God and His ways are times of preparation for heaven, and that if we are intolerable here on earth. what will we do in heaven?

Revelation 5:11-12 reveals that ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands of angels are around the throne "saying with a LOUD voice, worthy is the Lamb..."

Pastor Osteen would often say that it is true God is not deaf, but neither is He nervous!

A leper (Luke 17:15) after being healed of that dreaded disease by the Lord Jesus Christ "with a LOUD voice

glorified God.' So, might I suggest that loudness in honor of God is as ancient and sanctioned as

God Himself. SHARON TUCKER

## Once again, Reno says she didn't get the word

By WALTER R. MEARS

AP Special Correspondent

Attorney General Janet Reno is frustrated — not to say angry - at what she wasn't told, again. This time the problem is what she didn't know, and the FBI didn't tell, about the raid on the Branch Davidian cult compound near Waco six years ago. •

Not to say angry because she avoids the word, even though people keep not telling her things about troublesome

And Congressional Republicans keep telling her to resign, over Waco, over the handling of the nuclear spying investigation and, repeatedly, over her refusal to seek an outside prosecutor on Democratic, and White House, fund raising for the 1996 presidential campaign.

She has ordered an independent investigation into the use of potentially flammable, military tear gas canisters by the FBI before agents moved in to end the 51-day standoff with the Branch Davidians in April 1993. The assault ended with the wooden compound ablaze, and more than 80 people dead.

not set by the military tear gas canisters, and that the cult leaders set the fire themselves

The FBI says the blaze was

But there always have been questions, and conspiracy theories, about Waco, and the FBI always has said no potentially incendiary devices were used. On their say so, the attorney general said so too.

She said the discovery that the FBI had used flammable cartridges tarnished her credibility, that she was upset and frustrated. Then she learned that the FBI had discovered tapes of an agent getting permission to use the devices, and didn't tell her about that for four days. She sent U.S. marshals across the street to impound the tapes as evidence in reopened investigations of Waco, an extraordinary errand she said later was with FBI

concurrence. "Everybody has commented on whether I'm angry or not," she said Friday. "I don't think this is a matter of anger — this is a matter of getting to the truth.

A White House spokesman said President Clinton was concerned that Reno "appears to have been misled and may have been lied to" about Waco. But Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, said even if she was,

she should resign. "Not knowing is not an

excuse," he said. Gramm said the attorney general always seems to be the last to know. Two Republican presidential candidates, Steve Forbes and Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah, said they would have fired her by

"If the truth shows that I've done something wrong, then I will accept the consequences," the attorney general said Friday.

Calls for her resignation date back to the days after the Waco episode on April 19, 1993, only five weeks after she became the first female attorney general. She said she took complete responsibility for the decision to send in federal agents and use tear gas to end the siege. Clinton backed her handling

of the case.

Later, after she'd had four independent counsels appointed to investigate top administration officials, there were reports that some people in the White House -- never identified — wanted her out of

Clinton's second-term Cabinet.

She said she'd be honored to

stay, and Clinton kept her.

In those days, the independence that irked some of her administration colleagues made her a Republican favorite. But not when she repeatedly refused to seek independent counsels to investigate Democratic fund raising for

the 1996 presidential campaign. She said the allegations involved did not meet the terms of the independent counsel law, which has since expired.

Republicans demanded that she name one or resign. In that controversy, in 1997,

videotapes of 44 White House

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coffees for Democratic campaign donors turned up, but the Justice Department wasn't

told until it leaked into print. "I was mad," Reno said then. But she also said there was nothing on the tapes to war-

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rant a special prosecutor. FBI Director Louis Freeh sent her a memo saying he favored an independent counsel on campaign fund raising, advice that became public just as she was being questioned by Congress about her decision to say no.

Earlier this year, Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala., chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, said she should resign because of mishandling of the investigation into alleged Chinese spying at U.S. nuclear laboratories. She acknowledged delays, and said she had not been told of an internal decision in 1997 against FBI electronic surveillance of a man suspected of nuclear spying.

Now Waco, and again, FBI information she didn't get. For all of it, she insists that she and Freeh, who came to his job after Waco, are not at odds.

She said they have one of the best relationships anyone could have in law enforcement.

If theirs is among the best, bad ones must really be ugly.

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# The chicken man of Cameron

the farm when I was three

onroe Fuchs of Cameron owns Ideal Poultry and sells what he calls recreational birds. We're talking pets here: chickens. guineas, ducks and geese.

He gives baby chicks to schools. His goal is to have a chicken in every classroom in the country. "There's a certain age

where you have time to really look at these birds and study

them," says

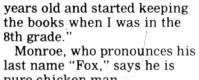
Monroe. He sometimes gives eggs away so students can watch the eggs hatch. "It's very educational," he says.

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He gives giant colorful charts of the different types of poultry to schools and visitors to his plant. His farm, on Highway 36 west of Cameron, is a series of poultry houses and yards where thousands of birds live in comfort. The farm has been there since 1937.

"I'm second generation and my children are third generation in the business," says Monroe. "I started coming to



pure chicken man. 'We always said around our place that it's the chickens that

that spend the money.

make the money and the cattle

Eggs come into the plant from the farm by the truckload and go into huge incubators. When I was there, he had nearly a million eggs about to produce baby birds. Thirty-five people work for Monroe, getting the beautifully colored birds of bright red, flaming gold and iridescent green to

country. "We look for uniqueness," says Monroe. "If people are going to have something in their yard, it should be pretty They don't really care about having a white chicken. Everybody else has a white chicken.'

poultry lovers all over the

He says when baby chicks are comfortable, they don't make any noise. I saw hundreds of thousands of baby birds of different types at the plant and they hardly made a sound.

He ships out about 20,000 baby chicks a day. "We send a lot out by parcel post. In fact,

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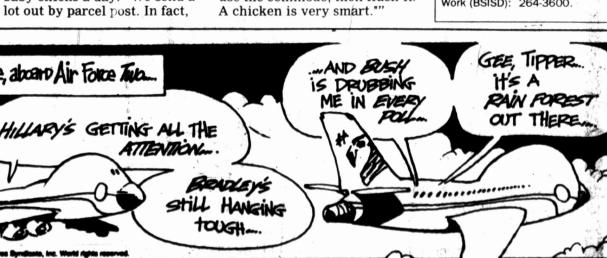
paper I want to send, I put it in a chicken bax because chickens move very fast through the mail. When they come to the post office and they're not peeping, the postal people think they're dead and they want to get them out before they go to smelling."

when I have an important

It isn't easy work. Monroe deals with 50 standard breeds of miniature chickens alone. You have to know about refrigeration and heat and when to put the eggs in a hot or cold environment. Some of the guinea eggs come from Florida, which were laid by birds bred in France. He says he's the only recreational poultry man left in the state. All the others have gone away. "In fact, you can go all the way to the east coast and not find anybody else in this business.

Monroe loves his work and feels lucky to have a company successful enough that he can provide two annual scholarships to A&M.

"You could just sit there all day and watch the chickens play. People have them just for the enjoyment of having them. You can teach them to do might near anything. You can teach a cat to use a commode. But you can teach a chicken to use the commode, then flush it. A chicken is very smart.""





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# Shopping with two or more kids: Welcome to Mom's nightmare

you guys, but I hate to go shopping with both of my kids.

If I have to take them, I would rather just take one. You know how it is, "I want

this, I want that, I'm hungry, I'm tired."

Not only is it a chore to shop with kids, it's a job! My kids fight over who is

going to ride in the seat and who is going to ride in the basket. And if I have to buy something for one and not the other, the one who is left out sure gets

My son thinks he has to have that might help.

I don't know about the rest of candy every time we go to Wal-Mart, and now my daughter ents thinks the same, only because she hears her brother Matthew saying it.

By the time I'm done shopping, I'm ready to go to bed! Who wants to go home and put all the groceries up after an expedition with the kids?

In some mail receive recently, I found some tips on making shopping with kids pleasant.

I don't really know if "shopping with kids" and "pleasant' go together in the same sentence, but here are some tips

13. Henry's First Compact

· First, parconsider the needs everyone

involved in the trip. Remember, preschool children are still very egocentric, especially when it comes their physical

needs. If chil-

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them to be rowdy at the candy another day.

kids can munch on the way, or make the trip after meal times.

· Parents should also consider their own needs. Making a grocery list before going to the store saves time and helps to ensure that a child's behavior won't distract anyone from getting the things they came to the

 Also, watch stress levels. If you've had a bad morning or a tough day and your stress levels are elevated, it might be a better idea to go to the store on

· It's also a good idea to con-• Carry snacks in the car so vey to children how they are expected to behave before they go into the store.

> · Parents can also make going to/the store fun and educational by asking children for input on food choices.

> Younger children canebe asked to identify colors or shapes,

opportunity to teach children about what food is and where it comes from. Ask if chicken is a meat or a vegetable, or where cheese and milk come from.

· Don't forget to practice cart safety. A report from ABC's "20/20" showed that more than 24,000 children across the nation had injuries related to shopping carts last year.

Wednesday, September 8, 1999

 And don't forget — praise and encouragement are great ways to promote a child's sense

of self esteem. a hope these tips will be helpful in your shopping adventhres. I know I'll be using

Gina Garza, features assistant for the Big Spring Herald, writes a weekly column on family information and tips.

## Are you ready for football? Take this pigskin quiz while your chili-bean soup simmers

Professional football season is about to begin. To get you into the pigskin spirit and test your football savvy, I have a

brain teaser for you. See how many pro football teams you can name from the

following "clues.' Answers will appear in my Toy and Fish column next Wednesday in the Big Spring Herald life! section.

- How is that for a teaser? 1. Pumas
- 2. Wise Sunbathers
- 3. 747's 4. Foolish Sunbathers
- 5. 7 squared 6. American Bird
- 7. Streakers
- 8. Ewe's Mate 9. Equine Goes Crazy
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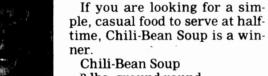
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- Snacker
- 23. Credit Card User
- 24. Army Uncle's Spouse
- 25. Fundamental Laws 26. \$1 for Corn
- 27. Thieves 28. Kings of Beast



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earth (Greek Myth)

30. Indians

31. Poe's Bird

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- 1 medium onion, chopped 1 medium green bell pepper,

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- seasoning 2 (16 oz. cans) diced tomatoes
- with juice 1 can beef broth
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high-risk sex offender."

Mark LaPalme said.

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ing room table.

They didn't have to.

"It felt like a sign from God,"

He and his wife asked them-

selves the question printed on a

pink and yellow cloth bracelet

that she wears: "What Would

"I told Mark and Tammy, 'I

hope you all know what you're

getting into," Sims recalled

last week as he sat at their din-

Everything happened so fast

Bright yellow fliers soon

appeared everywhere in

Riverview - in newspaper

boxes, on street lights, even sta-

"!!BEWARE!! Sex Offender at

pled to the leaves of bushes.

that the LaPalmes never both-

ered to inform their neighbors.

Sims moved in on Aug. 12.

salt and black pepper to taste

In large Dutch oven over medium heat, brown ground round in 1 T canola oil. Drain well. Add onion, green pepper and chili seasoning. Stir well.

Add tomatoes, beef broth and

Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer uncovered for 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add kidney beans, salt and pepper and simmer an additional 30 minutes. Serve in bowls with crackers.

Better served second day when flavors have had time to mingle. This is a thick, fullbodied soup. It is spicy, but bot

FOOD FOR THOUGHT Looks are so deceptive that people should be done up like food packages with the ingredients clearly labeled.

## Use the Food Guide to build a healthy diet

Food Guide Pyramid is to select foods that together give

you all the essential nutrients to maintain your health. The message goes "bottoms The pyramid's sections represent the

five basic food groups and the fats,

sweets. The food group size on the pyramid corresponds to the recommended number of daily servings from that food group. As shown, the bread group section is the largest in size, thus the greatest servings should come from this section.

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Triangle and circle shapes scattered throughout the pyramid's sections represent the added and naturally occurring code of he more it is a less or the health white it tircles in a section, the more, Wever replace the nutrient-fat, oil and sugars those foods rich food choices found

Start at the bottom of the pyramid and work your way up. See how selections from the food groups and other foods can be pieced together to form a healthful diet. Each day you should:

· Select plenty of foods that come from plants. Bread, cereal, rice and pasta are part of

The overall message from the the broad base of the pyramid and should make up the bulk of your diet. Select lower calorie choices if you are trying to make lifestyle choices to con-

trol your weight. · Include an ample variety of fruits and vegetables. Both of these groups are full of the vitamins, minerals, carbohydrates and fiber you need to stay

 Add a moderate amount of low-fat/lean foods from the milk and meat groups. Dairy products provide calcium which is important for a healthy skeleton. By selecting skim milk, you can save 80 calories per serving. Foods from the meat group provide needs protein, iron and zinc. Include them in your diet as a side dish as opposed to the meal's main focus. Use them to accompany cereals, grains, fruits and vegetables to make a

big step toward healthy eating. Reduce your selection of foods containing fats, oils, sweets and alcohol. In moderafarreni loarfite kinggree izi cernathe tetene du garrimo fats can fit into

> throughout the other levels of the Food Guide Pyramid with foods from the fats, oils, sweets and alcohol food group.

> For more information about the pyramid, call the Texas Agricultural Extension Service,

> 264-2236, for a free fact sheet. Dana Tarter is Howard County Extension Agent, family and consumer science.

#### Kid-friendly grocery stores lure young shoppers The first Huggieland opened two years Europe for a long time, said Neil Stern, a FORT WORTH (AP) — Restless children

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and grocery stores mix about as well as oil and water, but now some supermarkets are Houston. Since then, 21 have been incorpooffering to watch the kids while their par-

ents shop. In a Kroger in the Fort Worth suburb of Southlake, Tara Darovec watched her 3year-old daughter, Maria, on a television monitor on the store's ceiling. The child was in Huggieland, the store's supervised play area, playing with Legos and watch-

ing a Barney video. "I asked her if she wanted to go to Tom Thumb or Kroger," Darovec told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "She picked Kroger! She said she wanted to come play."

ago in a Kroger in Pearland, south of rated into Kroger Signature Stores across

This year, Minyard Food Stores jumped into the playpen when it opened Kids' World in a Plano store. Another is planned for a store being built in North Richland Hills, a chain official said.

Many grocers in the Dallas-Fort Worth area offer diaper-changing stations, twoseat shopping carts and toddler-size carts in an effort to attract parents who must shop with their children in tow.

In-store day cares have been popular in

partner and retail strategist with McMillan Description Chicago. Europeans are less fearful about leaving their children with a stranger in a public place

But some parents use the daycare opti The Southlake Kroger and the Plano Minyard each care for about 200 children a

The stores require parents to register their children by providing a driver's license number, home and work phone numbers and an emergency number. When a parent drops off a child, they get match-

See STORES, Page 6A

# Taking in criminal, couple tests faith, causes outrage in neighborhood

DANVILLE, Ky. (AP) — It's a story of a neighborhood losing its innocence, of a couple testing their faith, of an ex-con seeking a second chance. But it doesn't have a storybook end-

After 20 years in prison, Nate Sims returned in late July to Danville, the quaint college town where he had settled as a teen-ager. Within days, his picture was in the local newspaper; next to it were the phrases "sex offender" and "high risk." He had been convicted of rape

and sodomy. He immediately lost his new job at a packaging plant and was soon living out of his rattletrap car. Under Kentucky's newly enacted Megan's Law, named for a 7-year-old New Jersey girl murdered by a released molester living in her neighborhood, Sims was arrested for not being at the address

he'd reported to parole officials. Then suddenly everything Instead of a jail cell, the 52-

upscale Riverview Estates with a couple who trusted him enough to bed him down across the hall from their children's "I was in shock," Sims said recently in a voice that seemed

vear-old Sims found himself liv-

ing in a \$150,000 house in

6-foot-4 frame. "I ain't never had anyone lift a hand for me." Mark and Tammy LaPalme explained that they were "baby Christians," out to test their newfound, born-again faith. They decided to open their fivebedroom home to someone

too soft to have come from his

needing shelter. "I mean, we feel like God's blessed us in so many ways,' said Mark LaPalme, 38, a gang-17 man with an earnest voice. 'We've been so selfish with it up to now.'

One day on television, Tammy LaPalme saw a tall man running from a camera crew. She recognized him from a newspaper article headlined: "Boyle (County) registers first

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Mark LaPalme

dence," they said, giving the address and phone number. Letters started coming. An anonymous writer complained: "You say to Love thy neighbor,' but you are demonstrating a total disregard for our feelings, our fears, and our safety.

Mark & Tammy LaPalme resi-

That's not my idea of a good 'neighbor.' Streets normally filled with twilight walkers and kids on bicycles were suddenly desolate. People who never locked their doors started shuttering up at night and looking into alarm systems. One man was spotted with a pistol in his

back pocket. "It was thrust upon us bigtime," said Cynthia Ellsworth, who lives a few doors down from the LaPalmes. "I think the

people here have reacted as normally as people anywhere would have."

The LaPalmes responded by pulling down the halffination leaflets and replacing them with white fliers of their own. "Let he who is without sin cast the first stone!" the sheets said, quoting Bible verses on forgiveness and brotherly love.

Attorney Bruce Petrie! a neighbor who describes himself as born again, was not swayed: "My understanding of my Christian duty is first to my family." Neighbor Jill Lee's college-

age daughter began calling on a cell phone to be escorted from her car to the house and her 8year-old son was placed under virtual house arrest.

"Any change he would have left over from lunch, he would say, 'Do you think we could give this to that man so he can go live somewhere else and I can go visit my friends again?" Mrs. Lee said. "It was very

Neighborhood kids stopped visiting the LaPalmes' children daughter Sydney, 8, and son Tyler, 7.

One neighbor came by

LaPalme's car lot in nearby

Harrodsburg to complain that

he'd ruined his chances of selling his home. "You've moved a nuclear waste dump right next to me,'

he told LaPalme. LaPalme, who said he and his wife were converted on their car lot by a born-again customer, Wayne Aldridge, who was also a former sex offender, believe they simply followed in

Christ's footsteps. "All we've gotten so far from it has been persecution,' LaPalme said.

As for Sims, he said he has done his time and just wants to move on.

In 1978, he pleaded guilty to raping and sodomizing a woman during a break-in near Louisville.

See CRIMINAL, Page 6A

This summer, Stephanie Mims of Big Spring attended the Texas Lions Camp in Kerrville. She was sponsored by local Lion Betty J. Franklin. Yvonne Brito of Big Spring also attended the camp, sponsored by Bob L. Noyes of the Evening Lions Club.

The Texas Lions Camp offers activities to children age 7-16 who have hearing, visual or physical disabilities. They can participate in arts and crafts, horseback riding, field sports, swimming and overnight campouts.

The camp is a non-profit organization funded



SENIOR CITIZENS WHO HAVE withessed the effects

Volunteers 55 and older are sought for the effort, to be known as the Seniors for Childhood Immunization Program, RSVP volunteers will visit new mothers at Scenic Mountain Medical Center and remind them of the

To find out more about the program or to volunteer, call 264-2397.

THE LAST WORD

Liberality consists less in giving a great deal than in gifts well timed. Jean de la Bruyere

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by Lions of Texas and donations. Children can attend at no cost to their families. The Evening Lions Club has a video about the camp so parents of children with disabilities can view it and learn more about the camp and what it offers. Call Bob Noves at 267 5811 for more information.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

of childhood diseases are needed to staff a new volunteer program that will promote immunizations.

importance of the immunizations.

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## How to keep your kids healthy for school

(ÅP) **ABILENE** Pediatricians and school nurses agree that common sense is the best advice for keeping your child healthy during the school year.

To help your child get to the top of the Perfect Attendance list, several professionals suggested the following list of tips:

Eat a good breakfast. Mary Ann Anderson, nurse at Cooper High School, advises, "Students need to eat something for breakfast, even if it's just a piece of toast. If children don't feel good, they can't think well and their resistance goes down.'

Hungry students run out of steam and headaches and stomachaches may appear. Sometimes, especially in high school or middle school, lunch periods are late. A good breakfast should stay with the child and see him through until lunch.

Get a good night's rest. Linda Peel, nurse for the Abilene school district's Wellness Team, stresses getting plenty of rest. "A rested and well-nourished body is the best," she says.

Sandy Bridges, Director of Health Services with AISD, agrees. "Children are so tired when school begins in August. They're used to both staying up and sleeping later. Being tired is a hardship for every-

Keep track of homework assignments and don't start them too late.

Keep immunizations updated.

Mar Ann Anderson reminds parents that immunizations are a state requirement and should be updated.

Dr. Tushar Shah, pediatrician with Abilene Children's Medical Association, stresses the importance of physical check-ups before school begins, "Many times chronic medical problems such as diabetes and asthma show up during a backto-school physical. This allows the condition to be treated

Wash hands frequently during the day.

Dr. Karen Kemper, a pediatrician, said that frequent washing kills more germs and doesn't give them a chance to recollect as quickly.

"Antibacterial soaps are not necessary," Bridges says, but be sure to use soap of some kind. "Wipes and waterless soaps are not substitutes for handwashing."

She continues, "It's especially important to wash before eating, after using the rest room, and coming in from the playground. Use warm water cold water doesn't work even though children may not like warm water. Students need to wash long enough, too, at least 10 seconds. Don't share drinks or hair-

brushes

Dr. Elvira Garcia, also a pediatrician, stresses proper hygiene to protect yourself from germs. "Don't forget to use tissues for colds and don't share drinks, hair gear or things that come in contact with your mouth," she says.

Kemper reports school children are definitely old enough to understand about not putting things in their mouth like pens or sharing cokes.

Buckle up and wear bike helmets. Accidents are a leading cause of injury and death in children, said Dr. Steve Faehnle, with the Professional Association for Pediatrics.

"Parents should take care to cut down on the risk of these,' he says.

 Keep children with infectious diseases home.

Anderson reports that teenagers, especially, don't take the time to get well. "Children need to keep taking their medicine even if they begin to feel better. This is especially true for antibiotics," she says. "All students should follow the doctor's orders and go back if nec-

essary."

Faehnle warns parents that they might expect to see some new stresses in their children. "At the start of the school year, in pediatrics, we see lots of tummy aches. The pain is real, listen to your child, but send; him on to school unless the pain is accompanied by fever nausea or diarrhea," he says.

## **STORES**

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ing wristbands and the parent

takes a beeper. Children must be 3 to 7 years old, and no more than a dozen youngsters can be cared for at one time at Huggieland and no more than nine at Kids' World.

However, neither store is licensed for day care. Store officials say workers receive first aid training.

"We want to ensure that the parents feel extremely comfortable in leaving their precious commodities with us," Kroger spokesman Gary Huddleston said.

"We watch our people," said Mike Mikeska, manager of the Plano Minyard. "We watch the TV monitors, and we watch people as workers before we put them into a situation where they have to watch kids.'

Neither chain would say how much the kids' centers cost or whether they return a profit in the form of increased purchases by parents. "We believe there is a pay-

back in terms of customer loyalty and additional sales," said Huddleston, the Kroger spokesman. "We believe that the customer has a little more time to shop, that they'll complete their list and maybe even purchase more items.'

## CRIMINA

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and burglary while on parole in 1986 and '93. Sims briefly took part in a sex offender treatment program three years ago but was kicked

out, he said, dismissing it as "a joke. During a risk-assessment hearing before his release, prosecutor Sandy McLeod told

the judge that Sims has "serious psychopathic tendencies ... the highest risk that the evaluator has ever seen.

Neighbors couldn't believe the LaPalmes would expose their children to such risks. Mark LaPalme said the family

come over us," he said.

And neighbors, too began tentatively making peace with the situation. Last week, a few resumed their evening walks, and others held a neighborhood meeting to discuss how the law on released sex offenders might be refined.

Then, as suddenly as he had arrived, Sims left the neighbor-

Returning to the LaPalmes' house Monday after his first day at a new job cleaning uniforms, he found a camera crew from the syndicated television show "Extra" waiting for him.

"There's been a peace that's He packed his bags and fled without even saying good-bye.

"They drove him out of here," Mark LaPalme said of his neighbors. "They didn't want him in this neighborhood. They didn't want him in this town. And that's what they accomplished."

But Mrs. Ellsworth said nobody won anything here. Especially not Sims, who said he was just looking for another chance.

"We don't know how to give him a chance," she said. "What are we supposed to do? Just ignore him and lock our doors?

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was not fearful.

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## IN BRIEF

#### Stefanie Waggoner wins BSCC club championship

Stefanie Waggoner claimed the women's club championship Monday during the final round of the Big Spring Club's annual Country Women's Golf Association Club Championship Tournament.

Peggy Wilson finished second in the gross scoring divi-

Jane Jones had the low net score for the tournament, while Sandra Rhodes was the runner-up in that category.

#### Lamesa takes three-game sweep from Lady Steers

It was all Lamesa on Tuesday night, as the Lady Tors swept three matches from Big Spring volleyball squads.

In varsity action, Lamesa dealt the Lady Steers a 15-8, 15-8 defeat, leaving Big Spring with a 9-6 match record going into this weekend's final nondistrict matches.

The Lady Steers will play host to Water Valley and Monahans in a three-way match at 1 p.m. Saturday in Steer Gym.

District 5-4A play begins Tuesday, Sept. 14, for the Lady Steers, as they open on the road facing Fort Stockton's Prowlers in a 7 p.m. match.

In junior varsit action, Lame**sa** took a three-game victory 15-7, 10-15, 15-4; while the Lady Tors freshmen took a 15-7, 17-15 win over the Lady Steers frosh.

#### Tickets for Bulldogs' game now on sale

Advance tickets for Friday's Coahoma-Grape Creek football game are currently on sale at the Coahoma superintendent's office and the Coahoma High

availate until noon Friday. are-priced at \$4 for adults and purchased as the gate in Grape Creek will be \$5.

#### 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.

Three sand courts will be set up just west of the Dora Roberts Community Center for the tournament.

For more information, call Javier Becerra at 664-9874 or **267-456**0.

#### YMCA inline hockey registration continues

Registration is now under way for the Big Spring Family YMCA's fall inline hockey

program. Boys and girls between the ages of 8 and 17 are eligible to play. No tryouts will be conducted, all children register-

ing will be placed on a team. Fees for the program are set at \$15 for full YMCA members, \$25 for for program members and \$32 for non-

members. A seven-game schedule will begin the week of Sept. 13. Games and practices will be

played at Marcy Elementary School. For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

## ON THE AIR

Radio MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

6:40 p.m. — Cleveland Indians at Texas Rangers, KBST-AM

**Television** MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL 6:30 p.m. -Houston Astros at Philisdelphia Phillies, ESPN, Ch.

p.m. -- Cleveland Indians at Texas Rangers, FXS, Ch. 29. 9:30 p.m. — Toronto Blue Jays at Seattle Mariners or Chicago White Sox at Anahelm Angels,

ESPN, Ch. 30. 6:30 p.m. — U.S. Open men's and women's quarterfinals, USA,

## Cowboys hope quantity of linemen makes up for dip in quality

IRVING (AP) — Whatever quality the full seasons. Dallas Cowboys lack on the defensive line, they hope to make up for it with a group of young backups.

Dallas will go into the season opener against Washington on Sunday with nine defensive linemen, including five tackles. That doesn't include their best tackle, Leon Lett, who is suspended

The Cowboys often have gone with eight defensive lineman. When they've kept nine, the extra player usually has been an end.

Lett's absence is the main reason Dallas needs help inside. It's not easy replacing a 6-foot-6, 295-pound veteran who's made the Pro Bowl his last two

Alonzo Spellman will start in Lett's place, but he's still learning tackle after playing end most his life. He also faces the challenge of trying to come back from a year out of the NFL.

"It's coming along well, but I've still got things to work on," said Spellman, who'll probably be a backup at end and tackle when Lett returns. "It's all about repetitions - the more you see it, the more you get used to it."

Chad Hennings is the other starting tackle. The starting ends are Kavika Pittman and Greg Ellis.

The four starting linemen have played a combined 16 years in the NFL. There are only 18 games of experience among

Peppi Zellner and reserve tackles Nathan Davis, Michael Myers and Brandon Noble.

"We have a lot of youth with speed and quickness and older guys with strength and know-how," said Pittman, who is playing with a bulky cast on his right hand while recovering from surgery to repair two bones broken on the first day of training camp.

Without Lett, Hennings is the only link to the dominating line led by "Charles Haley that, helped Dallas win three Super Bowls in four seasons earlier this decade.

The current edition can't live up to that standard, but it can be better than See COWBOYS, page 2B

backup ends Ebenezer Ekuban and last year's unit, which was near the bottom of the NFL with 34 sacks.

That inablity to get to quarterbacks was part of the reason the Cowboys were in the bottom third of the league in pass defense. There also was improvement in their run defense, but Lett was a big rea-

son for that — and now he's gone again. "I think there's a lot of potential for this line," Ellis said. "Our group has to go out there and work hard every day, every practice and be persistent.'

Pressure from the line is even more important than usual for Dallas because injuries to cornerbacks Deion Sanders and Kevin Smith have made the sec

## Sele again shines as Rangers post win over Indians

ARLINGTON (AP) - As the playoffs near, the Texas Rangers' starting pitching is getting ready for prime time.

Aaron Sele continued his

impressive stretch run, pitching seven strong innings to win for the ninth time in 10 decisions as the Rangers beat the Cleveland Indians 4-3 Tuesday night.

Sele (16-7) allowed three runs and six hits, struck out eight and walked two in his 12th straight start of six or more innings. Only one AL pitcher has more wins than Sele Boston's Pedro Martinez with

"My confidence comes from my teammates," Sele said. "We've got a great team, we've been playing good defense and getting good hitting. Wher you're in a tight game like this one, you have to bear down and

the Rangers' playoff rotation. They have a combined record of

Texas has gotten starts of six innings or more in 11 of the last 13 games.

"It (getting innings from the starter) takes pressure off the bullpen," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "Any time a starter gives you seven innings, that's a plus for your team."

Oates will face a tough decision on Game 1 starter between Sele and Helling (13-7).

Sele's sharp curveball had the Indians off balance for most of the night, and when they were looking for the curve, Sele had an effective fastball.

"I've told him many times that when he shows his curve, hitters have a hard time with his fastball," Oates said.

Ivan Rodriguez hit a two-run homer to give Texas a 4-3 lead in the seventh inning. Despite the loss, the Indians clinched at least a tie for their fifth straight Central Division Central title when Chicago lost 14-1 at Anaheim.

The White Sox are 23 games behind the Indians.

The Rangers, who lead the AL West, have won six of nine games against the Indians this season and are 27-16 against Cleveland since 1996.

## Wrist injury puts Palmeiro on sidelines

ARLINGTON (AP) - Texas Rangers first baseman Rafael Palmeiro was expected to miss at least two games and possibly more with a bone bruise on his left wrist.

The injury may mean Palmeiro's quest for the Triple Crown may be over before he gets started.

Palmeiro sat out Tuesday night's game against the Cleveland Indians with the deep bruise. He had been tied with Seattle's Ken Griffey Jr. for the AL home run lead with 42, but was hit on the wrist by a pitch from Chicago's Jim Parque in the first inning of the first game of Monday

"I don't have to be 100 percent," said Palmeiro, adding hat he never saw the pitch because of late-atternoon glare that went with Monday's 5:05

p.m. start. "I just need the swelling to go down a little bit so I can hold on to the bat," he said. "I

can handle the pain." Palmeiro said he had hoped to take advantage

Thursday's off day and play Friday at Kansas City, missing only two games in three Currently, he is fifth in the

league in batting average and second in RBIs.

"I need to be healthy to go out there," he said. "I'm only going to hurt myself and this team if I play with one hand."

"It's always a good win when you beat the best team in the league," Rodriguez said. "It's especially good to win when you come from behind.'

For the Indians, questions about the Rangers are getting

"We really want to play them tough," Indians starter Charles Nagy said. "You know you might have to play them in the playoffs." Cleveland took a 3-2 lead into

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## No longer Yearlings and Mavericks, junior high teams Steers A new era in Big Spring football

begins Thursday in Monahans.

That's when Big Spring Junior High School's Steers opens their 1999 seventh- and eighth-grade football seasons facing young Loboes squads.

With the opening of the new junior high school, Big Spring's football players in the seventh and eighth grade no longer attend separate schools. With the closure of

Runnels Junior High, there are no more Yearlings teams. However, there could still be Mavericks at Goliad, if the school's students vote on keeping the nickname

JOHN when they are scheduled to vote on the

subject later this year. As a result, a long standing tradition has come to an end, and henceforth, Big Spring's junior high teams compete as Steers and Lady Steers.

The decision to change the nicknames for the junior high teams was one made

by the Big Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees - one that junior high school principal Bill Tarleton wholeheartedly endorses.

"I think they primarily decided on Steers as our mascot when they were considering the possibility of the high school's teams using our gymnasium,' Tarleton explained. "They decided on the Steers nickname and our color scheme when they were painting the gymnasium. And I personally think it was the right decision."

Tarleton, who has worked in the Big Spring ISD for the past eight years, said he can't remember a time when Big Spring's seventh-grade teams weren't Mavericks and eighth-graders weren't Yearlings.

High school assistant principal Craig Fisher, the keeper of BSHS's Athletic Hall of Fame and unofficial historian of the school's sports programs, says he also can't remember a time when Goliad's teams didn't carry the Mavericks moniker and Runnels' athletes were Yearlings.

Fisher can, however, remember when there were seventh- and eighth-grade teams at both schools.

That didn't change until the 1977-78 school year.

"Back when we were a Class 5A school ... when we had 2,000 students ... Goliad and Runnels both had seventh and eighth graders," he explained. "Back then they played one another and it was a big rivalry ... a really big deal. It was that way until we put all the eighth graders on one campus and all the seventh graders at the other."

The change to the Steers nickname hasn't seemed to strike a sensitive nerve, however.

"As a matter of fact, I haven't had a student express an opinion one way or the other," Tarleton said. "To be honest, I think these kids have been so excited to be starting the year in the new building, they haven't given it much thought. And I know the kids on the football team have been practicing, trying to get ready for the season. That's been their focus."

In keeping with the start o. a new era, a pep rally has been scheduled for 10:45 a.m. Thursday at the junior high

The pep rally is open to the public and Tarleton is encouraging residents of the community to come out and show support for Big Spring's newest Steers. "It'll be the first pep rally of the year,

so I'm sure there's a possibility that we'll run into a snag or too, but that's to be expected," Tarleton said. "Still, we'd like for anyone that wants to come 11 out and kick off the new season to join

While schoolboy football and volleyball programs are grabbing the lion's share of interest these days, basketball season is just around the corner.

Although most of the Crossroads Area's high school hoopsters are either playing football or volleyball, some are toiling through offseason practices. But there are no offseason practices at

Howard College where Tommy Collins' Hawks are preparing to defend their Western Junior College Athletic Conference (WJCAC) championship.

The Hawks went through WJCAC play undefeated during the 1998-99 season, due in large part to the play of 6foot-3 swingman Derrick Franklin. A Sweetwater product, Franklin made

See MOSELEY, page 2B



Clay Hart of Knott (center) poses with Joe Johnson of Chicago (left) and Brad Deauman of Crockett after having won the international skeet division at the National Junior Olympic Shotgun Championships in Colorado Springs, Colo. Johnson finished second behind Hart, while Deauman was third.

# Hart wips skeet championship at Junior Olympics nationals

By JOHN A. MOSELEY Sports Editor

KNOTT - Sands High School senior Clay Hart added another title to the long list of honors he's won this summer, claiming the the national championship in international skeet at the Junior Olympics **Na**tional

Championships on Sept. 3. Hart, the 17-year-old son of Van and Cindy Gaskins of Knott, hit 135 of 150 targets on the U.S. Olympic Shooting Complex in Colorado Springs, Colo., to claim the championship, finishing with a six-target lead over silver medalist

Joe Johnson of Chicago. Another young Texan, Brad Deauman of Crockett, claimed the bronze medal, hitting 127

After getting off to a somewhat slow start — he trailed by two targets following the first round Hart took the lead in the second round, grabbing a two-target lead he took into the sixth and

final round. That Hart would win the championship came as little surprise. After all, he spends most of his time with a shotgun in his hands, practicing his international skeet skills on the shooting range

located in his back yard. On any given day, Hart will spend hours on

the range, shooting 200 or more targets. Hart was already a member of the U.S. Junior Olympic team. In addition, he was coming off an impressive showing at the USA Shooting National Championships in Atlanta, Ga., in June where he took the intermediate juniors

division (15- to 17-year olds).

The weekend's victory moved Hart up a notch from the intermediate juniors division he won at the Junior Olympics championships last year and second-place finish in the open division.

He figured to be the favorite, since 1998 open champion Mark Weeks of Cincinnati and bronze medalist Bret Simon of George Mason University both turned 22 this year and gradu ated out of the junior ranks.

The win allowed Hart to maintain his spot on U.S.A. Shooting's National Development Team. However, there will be little time to relish his

As captain of the National 4-H Shooting Sports Foundation Ambassadors team, Hart and six other Texas shooters will be heading to Las

Vegas this weekend for a celebrity shoot. He'll have little more than time to repack his bags before leaving Monday for the Fall Selection Matches in Colorado Springs.

The Fall Selection Matches will determine the makeup of the United States' team for World Cup competition in 2000. A strong showing there would allow him an opportunity to earn enough points in international competition to earn a spot on the U.S. Olympic team for the 2000

Olympics in Sydney, Australia. Regardless of how well he fares at the selection matches, though, Hart has already received an invitation to compete in the two-part U.S. Olympic Trials set for next year.

He'll take part in a 300-bird shoot at Fort Benning, Ga., in April, then will compete in the second round, another 300-target event in Atlanta.

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## Sports Extra

#### TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL merican League SEATTLE MARINERS—Recalled RHF

OF Shane Monahan from Tacoma of the TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Extended he contract of Chuck LaMar, senio rice president for baseball operations and general manager, through 2004.
TEXAS RANGERS—Activated

Brett Hinchliffe, LHP Steve Sinclair and

National League
CINCINATTI REDS—Signed a five-year affiliation with Louisville of the International League beginning in

HOUSTON ASTROS-Extended their

for two-years through 2002
MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Purchased
the contracts of RHP Jason Bere and OF Lyle Mouton from Louisville of the International League. Recalled RHP Carl Dale from Louisville. Transferred C Bobby Hughes and INF Fernando Vina to

the 60-day disabled list.

MONTREAL EXPQS—Recalled INF Trace Coquillette, LHP Ted Lilly, RHP Fernando Seguinol, RHP Carl Pavano and purchased the contract of OF Peter Bergeron from Ottowa of the

ternational League.

NEW YORK METS—Regalled INF Mike Kinkade and RHP Dan Murray from Norfolk of the International League. PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Called up OF Chad Hermansen, 3B Aramis Ramirez, R-IP Jason Boyd from Nashville of the PCL. Purchased the contracts of RHP Mike Garcia from Mexico City of the Mexican League and C Tim Laker of Nishville.

SAN DIEGO PADRES—Signed 3B iii Nevin to a two-year contract exten-Sign. ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Activated

RHP Alan Benes from the 15-day dis-abled list Recalled INF Placido Polanco and RHP Jose Jimenez from Memphis BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association
SACRAMENTO KINGS—Signed C Bill WASHINGTON WIZARDS—Signed G

lational Football League ARIZONA CARDINALS—Signed LB ARIZONA CARDINALS—Signed LB Melvin Bradley, DB Justin Lucas, RB Clarence Williams and WR Tywan Mitchell to the practice squad. ATLANTA FALCONS—Signed WR

ugene Baker, CB Derrick Gardner, WR ie German and LB Lamont Green o the practice squad.

BUFFALO BILLS—Signed FB Brian
Edwards, RB Lennox Gordon and WR eremy McDaniel to the practice squad

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DALLAS COWBCYS—Signed RB
Beau Morgan, FB F<sub>1</sub>an Neufeld, OL
Chris Brymer, LB Joe Phipps and DL
Robert Newkirk to the practice squad.

DENVER BRONCOS—Signed DL
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neir practice squad.

DETROIT LIONS—Signed CB Dell
McGee, WR Andre Rone, DE Paul
Spicer, DE Henry Taylor and WR Cdrey homas to the practice squad. Thomas to the practice squad. INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Signed DB Thomas Randolph. Waived DL Nate Hobgood-Chittick. Signed TE Joshua Keur, DB Craig Miller, WR Chad Plummer, OL Tim Ridder and OL Paul

Snellings to the practice squad.

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Waived
WR Will Moore. Signed S JoJuan
Armour. Signed CB Corey Chamblin to MIAMI DOLPHINS—Waived S Rayna

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DT Garrett Johnson, TE Kerry Taylor, LBMarc Megna and WR-KR Eddie Conti NEW YORK GIANTS-Signed LB Ø.J. hildress, WR James Kidd, DE Frank errara. & Scott Kiernan and CB

nmanuel McDaniel. NEW YORK JETS—Signed RB Bernie irmalee., Waived RB Keith Byars. Signed CB Jermaine Jones, T Greg Lotysz, LB Casey Dailey, LB Olrick Johnson and CB James Adderley to the

PHILADELPHIA FAGLES—Claimed S Rashard Cook, WR Dameane Douglas and TE Ron Leshinski off waivers. Waived S T.J. Cunningham, WR Karl Hankton and TE Andrew Jordan. Placed

ST. LOUIS RAMS—Signed WR Darrius Blevins, G Bobby Singh, TE Derek Lewis and DL Barry Mitchell to the practice squad.

practice squad. SAN\_FRANCISCO\_49ers—Acquired B Craig Newsome from Green Bay an undisclosed draft pick. Signed DT Matt Keneley, G Dwayne Ledford, CB Wasswa Serwanga, T Pete Swanson, and LB Joe Wesley to the bractice squad. Waived S Merton TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS-Signed

Eric de Groh to the practice squad. HOCKEY

National Hockey League
ATLANTA THRASHERS—Appointed
Bob Mason goaltending consultant.
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Named Tom Rooney chief operating officer and Ken Sawyer chief financial officer.

American Hockey League

AHL—Named Brett Stothart director communications and media rela-

CHICAGO WOLVES—Signed C Ryan indsey and agreed to terms with RW

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New York	84		54	.609	_	
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Baltimore	62		76	.449	22	
Tampa Bay	61		77	.442	23	
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Minnesota	58		79	.423	271/2	
Detroit	56		81	.409	291/2	
Kansas City	54		84	.391	32	
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x-clinched tie for division title uesday's Games Baltimore 5, Minnesota () Baltimore 5, Millinesota 5 Texas 4, Cleveland 3 Kansas City 6, New York 3 Seattle 7, Toronto 4 Anaheim 14, Chicago 1 Boston 5, Oakland 3

Only games scheduled

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St. Louis	67	73	.479	17
Milwaukee	60	77	.438	221/2
Chicago	56	82	.406	27
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Arizona	82	56	.594	_
San Francisco	76	63	.547	61/2
Los Angeles	65	73	.471	17
San Diego	64	75	.460	181/2
Colorado	62	78	.443	21
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Montreal 4. Colorado 1 Pittsburgh 3, San Diego 1 Atlanta 3, St. Louis 2 Chicago 2, Cincinnati 1, 1st game Cincinnati 10, Chicago 3, 2nd

San Francisco 7, New York 4 Florida 2, Los Angeles 1 Arizona 11, Milwaukee 9

Colorado (Wright 1-2) at Montreal (Smith 4-7), 12:35 p.m.
San Diego (W.Williams 8-12) at Pittsburgh (Cordova 8-8), 12:35 p.m. San Francisco (Estes 10-7) at New York (Dotel 6-1), 12:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Parris 7-2) at Chicago (Lorraine 1-3), 1:20 p.m.

AUBURN-Named Mark Richards Associate Athletic Director for Compliance.
BUFFALO STATE—Announced Dick

Bihr, men's basketball coach, will be on sabbatical leave for the 1999-2000 season. Named Fred Batchelor interim head coach.

CONNECTICUT COLLEGE—Named Susan Kelly women's basketball coach.

DELAWARE—Named Russel

Barbarino strength and conditioning

#### AL LEADERS

BATTING-Garciaparti S. Boston .353: Jeter, New York, .352: BeWilliams, New York, .344: EMartinez, Seattle, .342; RPalmeiro, Texas, .337: TFernandez, Toronto, .336.

RUNS-RAtomar, Cleveland, 122; MRamirez, Cleveland, 114; SGreen, Toronto, 111; Jeter, New York, 110; Griffey Jr., Seattle, 108; Knoblauch, New York, 105; QDelgado, Toronto

103.

RBI—MRamirez, Cleveland, 143;
RPalmeiro, Texas, 132; CDelgado,
Toronto, 126; Gnffey Jr, Seattle, 119;
JuGonzalez, Texas, 113; SGreen,
Toronto, 110; MOrdonez, Chicago, 108;
HITS—Jeter, New York, 190;
Surhoff, Baltimore, 182; Stewart,
Toronto, 178; BeWilliams, New York, 174; Randa, Kansas City, 171; IRodriguez, Texas, 169; Damon, Kansas City, 168; Velarde, Oakland,

DOUBLES-TFernandez, Toronto. 41: SGreen, Torontof, 39; Damon, Kansas City, 38; Zeile, Texas, 38; Garciaparra, Boston, 37; Greer, Texas, 37; CDelgado, Toronto, 37; RAlomar,

Cleveland, 37.

TRIPLES—Offerman, Boston, 10;
Febles, Kansas City, 9; Dye, Kansas City, 8; Damon, Kansas City, 8; Jeter, New York, 8; Durham, Chicago, 8; Randa, Kansas City, 8. HOME RUNS—Griffey Jr, Seattle, 43; RPalmeiro, Texas, 42; CDelgado,

Toronto, 40; MRamirez, Clevelando, 38; SGreen, Toronto, 37; ARodriguez, Seattle, 36; Stairs, Oakland, 33; JuGonzalez, Texas, 33; Belle, Baltimore, 33.

STOLEN BASES—Stewart, Toronto, 36: Vizquel, Cleveland, 36; ByAnderson, Baltimore, 34; Damon, 34; Damon, 36; Da Kansas City, 33; BLHunter, Seattle, 33; Cleveland, 33; TGoodwin

Montreal (Vazquez 7-6) at San Diego (Carlyle 0-1), 4:05 p.m. Houston (Reynolds 14-11) at Philadelphia (Byrd 14-8), 6:05 p.m. New York (Hershiser 12-10) at Los ageles (K.Brown 16-6), 9:10 p.m. PMartinez, Boston, 20-4, .833, 2.26; Colon, Cleveland, 15-5, .750, 4.12; Sele, Texas, 16-7, .696, 4.93; Moyer,

Houston (Hampton 18-3) at Philadelphia (Schilling 15-5), 6:35

St. Louis (Ankiel 0-0) at Atlanta (Millwood 15-7), 6:40 p.m. Arizona (Daal 13-8) at Milwaukee (Nomo 11-6), 7:05 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Arizona (Reynoso 10-3) at Milwaukee (Karl 8-11), 1:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Harnisch 14-8) at Chicago (Farnsworth 3-8), 1:20 p.m.

New York, 15-7, 682, 4.06; Mussina, Baltimore, 15-7, 682, 3.60; FrGarcia, Seattle, 14-7, 667, 4.28. STRIKEOUTS-PMartinez, Boston. 257; Sele, Texas, 166; CFinley, Anaheim, 163; DWells, Toronto, 149; Cone, New York, 149; Colon, Cleveland, 144; Mussina, Baltimore,

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SAVES—Wetteland, Texas, 40; MRivera, New York, 39; RHemandez, Tampa Bay, 38; MJackson, Cleveland, 35; Mesa, Seattle, 32; Koch, Toronto, 27; Percival, Anatleim, 27.

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BATTING-LWalker, Colorado, .366; phia, .350; LGon Arizona, .343; Casey, Cincipnati, .337; Everett, Houston, .331; Glanville, Everett, Houston, 331; Glanville, Philadelphia, 327; Vidro, Montreal, 322; CJones, Atlanta, 322. RUNS—Bagwell, Houston, 123; JBell, Arizona, 112; Alfonzo, New York,

JBell, Arizona, 112; Alfonzo, New York, 111; Biggio, Houston, 107; Abreu, Philadelphia, 104; CJones, Atlanta, 103; Sosa, Chicago, 103.

RBI—MaWilliams, Arizona, 127.
Sosa, Chicago, 126; McGwire, St. Louis, 123; Bichette, Colorado, 115; Bagwell, Houston, 112; Ventura, New York, 112; YGuerrero, Montreal, 108.

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Glanville, Philadelphia, 176; Alfonzo, New York, 169; Casey, Cincinnati, 168; NPerez, Colorado, 168; MaWilliams, Arizona, 167; Biggio, Houston, 166. DOUBLES—Biggio, Houston, 52; Vidro, Montreal, 42; LGonzalez, Arizona, 41; KYoung, Pittsburgh, 40; CJones, Atlanta, 39; Jenkins, Milwaukee, 38; Alfonzo, New York, 38. TRIPLES—Abrew, Philadelphia, 10; TRIPLES—Abreu, Philadelphia, 10; AGonzalez, Florida, 8; Kotsay, Florida, 8; Cameron, Cincinnati, 8; SFinley, Arizona, 8; WGuerrero, Montreal, 7;

Arizona, 8; WGuerrero, Montreal, 7; NPerez, Colorado, 7; Womack, Arizona, 7; Martin, Pittsburgh, 7.
HOME RUNS—Sosa, Chicago, 58; McGwire, St. Louis, 54; Bagwell, Houston, 39; CJones, Atlanta, 38; Giles, Pittsburgh, 36; VGuerrero, Montreal, 34; GVaughn, Cincinnati, 34; LWallker, Colorado, 34.
STOLEN RASES—Womack, Arizona, 34; CNR, RASES—Womack, Arizona STOLEN BASES-Womack, Arizona

64; Cedeno, New York, 60; LCastillo, Florida, 49; EYoung, Los Angeles, 45; Reese, Cincinnati, 33; Cameron, Cincinnati, 33; Henderson, New York, PITCHING (16 Decisions)— Hampton, Houston, 18-3, .857, 2.92;

Schilling, Philadelphia, 15-5, 750, 3-45; GMaddux, Atlanta, 18-6, 750, 3-36; Lima, Houston, 19-7, 731, 3-40; KBrown, Los Angeles, 16-6, 727, 3-10; Bottenfield, St. Louis, 16-7, 696, 3-98; Millwood, Atlanta, 15-7,

.082, 2.91.
STRIKEOUTS—Rajohnson, Arizona,
328; KBrown, Los Angeles, 184;
Reynolds, Houston, 182; Astaclo,
Colorado, 182; Hitchcock, San Diego,
179; Millwood, Atlanta, 169; Lima,
Houston, 151; Schilling, Philadelphia,

SAVES—Hoffman, San Diego, 36 Wagner, Houston, 34; Urbina Montreal, 34; Nen, San Francisco, 32 Rocker, Atlanta, 31; Shaw, Los Angeles, 31; Wickman, Milwaukee, 29.

#### NFL SCHIDLLE

Sunday's Games Arizona at Philadelphia, Noon Baltimore at St. Louis, Noon Minnesota (Hawkins 9-11), 7:05 p.m. New York (O.Hemandez 15-7) a Kansas City (Suzuki 1-4), 7:05 p.m.

Cleveland (Haney O.1) at Texas (Burkett 6-7), 7:05 p.m. (Chicago (Baldwin 9-12) at Anaheim (Belcher 6-8), 9:35 p.m. Toronto (Halladay 8-6) at Seattle

(Moyer 13-6), 9:35 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Detroit (Moehler 9-14) at Tampa

Baltimore (Riley 0-0) at Minnesota

Bay (Arrojo 4-10), 6:05 p.m.

(Ryan 0-2), 7:05 p.m

Baltimore at St. Louis, Noon Buffalo at Indianapolis, Noon Carolina at New Orleans, Noon Cincinnati at Tennessee, Noon Cincinate at Tennessee, Noon Dallas at Washington, Noon Kansas City at Chicago, Noon New England at New York Jets, Oakland at Green Bay, Noon Detroit at Seattle, 3:15 p.m. Minnesota at Atlanta, 3:15 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Tampa Bay, 3:15 p.m.
San Fran at Jacksonville, 3:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 7:20 p.m.
Monday's Game
Miami at Denver, 8 p.m.

#### SOCCER

Tuesday's Game
New England 3, Kansas City 2
Friday's Games
DC United at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Kansas City at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Saturday's Games
New England at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
San Jose at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Los Angles, 9:30 p.m.

Chicago at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m. Sunday's Games
New York-New Jersey at Columbus

DC United at Tampa Bay, 4 p.m.

#### AREA SCHIDLIE

Friday, Sept. 10

Big Spring at Monahans, 7:30 p.m.
Coahoma at Grape Creek, 8 p.m.
Forsan at Roscoe, 8 p.m.
Stanton at Midland Christian, 8 p.m.

p.m. Wellman at Grady, 7:30 p.m. Highland at Sands, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 16
Big Spring at Lubbock Estacado
7:30 p.m.

... Friday, Sept. 17 Midland Christian at Coahome. p.m. Sterling City at Forsan, 8 p.m. Stanton at Colorado City, 8 p.m.

Stanton at Colorado City, 8 p.m. Jai (N.M.) at Garden City (homecon Borden County at Highland, 7:30

Buena Vista at Grady, 7;30 p.m. Sanderson at Sands, 7:30 p.m.

#### SCHOOLBOY POLL

The Top 10 teams in the Associate

Team 1. Midland Lee (14) Duncanville
Lewisville (1)
Austin Westlak Copperas Cove (3) South Grand Prairie (1)
Aldine Eisenhower

3. Texas City (1) 4. New Braunfels Carryon

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# Hingis-Venus showdown set for semifinals at U.S. Open

NEW YORK (AP) - The war of words has moved to center court.

Martina Hingis and Venus Williams. No. 1 vs. No. 3 at the U.S. Open semifinals.

"I think it will be very, very close," Anke Huber predicted. "It's going to be a tough match for Martina, I think. Venus is hitting the ball hard and very aggressive."

Huber lost to Hingis 6-2, 6-0 in a wind-swept quarterfinal Tuesday, while Williams joined the semifinal party by stopping No. 12 Barbara Schett 6-4, 6-3 in a night match, setting up the

Hingis-Williams match. In the bottom half of the women's draw, defending champion and second-seeded Lindsay Davenport took on No. 5 Mary Pierce today, with the winner to play the survivor of tonight's final quarterfinal pitting No. 7 Serena Williams, the younger sister of Venus, against fourth-

seeded Monica Seles. The possibility still exists that the Williams sisters will meet for the title.

In her first U.S. Open two years ago, Venus Williams reached the final, where she was hastily dispatched by

Hingis. "Last time, I honestly did not know what I was doing,' Williams said of the 1997 meeting. "I'm a different player now.

Last year, Williams reached the semifinals, only to fall to Davenport.

The men completed their quarterfinal matchups Tuesday with yet another retirement. Fifth-seeded Gustavo Kuerten advanced when Magnus Norman retired with a strained back after losing the first set 7-6 (7-4).

In other matches, Cedric Pioline ousted 14th-seeded Tommy Haas 6-4, 7-5, 6-3; Slava Dosedel defeated Jiri Novak 6-4. 7-5, 5-7, 7-5; and No. 7 Todd Martin rallied for a 5-7, 0-6, 7-6 (7-3), 6-4, 6-4 victory over No. 9 Greg Rusedski.

Hingis and Venus Williams will be meeting for the 11th

## **COWBOYS**

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ondary vulnerable. Even if Sanders returns Sunday, he won't be 100 percent.

"We've got speed on the outside and strength on the inside," Pittman said. "That's the way it works — pressure up the middle, contain them outside and hopefully the quarterback can't see the guys downfield, and we can make some

The Cowboys of the early 1990s made it fashionable for teams to sub several linemen on each play to keep them as fresh as possible, maximizing their performance. How well this year's rotation works could be crucial to the team's overall

"Being fresh is one of the most important things," Ellis said. "When you're a big guy, you need that extra edge.

time. Williams is 19, three months older than her Swiss opponent. Hingis, however, has dominated, winning seven of their encounters, including

their last meeting in San Diego. "We both go out there knowing we're going to have to play good tennis," Venus Williams said of Hingis. "We both go out there ready to play. ... "The key for me is definitely to abandon all unforced errors. In order not to play her and myself, I have to

stop making errors."

Against the hard-hitting Schett, Williams dominated at the net and the baseline, punctuating the first set with an overhead that caromed into the stands on set point. She broke Schett's service three times in the second set, the last time closing out the match with a return Schett couldn't touch.

"I've never won a title here before, so for me I'm trying to get a title." Williams said.

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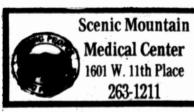
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The Boston Red Sox are closing in on the New York Yankees and pulling away from the Oakland Athletics. With Tim Wakefield making a winning return to the rotation, the Red Sox beat the Athletics 5-3 Tuesday night to greatly improve their chances for a postseason berth.

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Boston's victory, coupled with New York's 6-3 loss at Kansas City, moved the Red Sox within 51/2 games of the Yankees in the AL East. Perhaps more important, it gave the Red Sox a fourgame lead over the Athletics in the wild-card race.

"There's no doubt it's important to beat the team right behind you," Boston's Mike Stanley said. "This is what we have control over right now."

Meanwhile, the Texas Rangers beat the Cleveland Indians 4-3 in a matchup of division leaders. Despite the loss, the Indians clinched a tie for their fifth straight Central Division title when the second-place Chicago White Sox lost 14-1 at Anaheim.

The Indians, who lead by 231/2 games, can clinch tonight with a victory over the Rangers, who are 6-3 against Cleveland this year, or another loss by the White Sox.

Elsewhere in the American League, Baltimore beat Minnesota 5-0 and Seattle knocked off Toronto 7-4.

In National League games, Houston 8, Philadelphia 6; San Francisco 7, New York 4; Atlanta 3, St. Louis 2; Arizona 11, Milwaukee 9; Montreal 4, Colorado 1; Pittsburgh 3, San Diego 1; and Florida 2, Los Angeles 1.

Cincinnati and Chicago split a doubleheader, the Cubs taking a 2-1 win in the first, while the Reds rebounded with a 10-3 victory in the second.

Wakefield (5-9), who replaced Ramon Martinez in the rotation, allowed three runs and five hits in 6 1-3 innings to win as a starter for the first time since May 28. He struck out seven and walked three in his first start in 10 days and third since June 8.

"He has been a special pitcher for our club all year," Boston manager Jimy Williams said. "He's been a starter, and when we asked him to close, he goes out and gets 14 saves. He's done it all. He's been instrumental in keeping our pitching staff together this year with what's he's done."

The four-game lead in the wild-card race is the biggest since July 29 for Boston, which has opened a critical 12game road trip with victories in four of its first five games. Boston has won

Red Sox making run at Yankees, pulling away from Oakland nine of 11, while the A's have lost six Toronto at Safeco Field. of 10, including three straight.

The Red Sox will be going for the sweep in tonight's series finale at Oakland before heading to New York and Cleveland to conclude the load trip against division leaders.

That game is important," Oakland's Matt Stairs said. "It would be nice if we're three back instead of four."

#### Angels 14, White Sox 1

Brian Cooper won his major league debut by allowing four hits in seven innings, leading Anaheim over visiting Chicago.

Cooper allowed a home run to Chris Singleton leading off the game, then shut down the White Sox. Tim Salmon hit a three-run homer in a six-run eighth, and Darin Erstad went 4-for-5 as the Angels won for only the third time in 14 games.

Anaheim broke open a 1-1 game with a six-run fourth against Mike Sirotka (8-13). Gary DiSarcina keyed the rally with a two-run single.

#### Royals 6, Yankees 3

Jose Rosado matched his season high with eight strikeouts, and Jermaine Dye passed the 100-RBI mark, leading

Kansas City over visiting New York. After going 0-10 against the Yankees in 1998, Kansas City leads the season series 5-3

Rosado (8-13) allowed one run and eight hits in seven innings — but held the top five batters in the Yankees' order to three hits in 17 at-bats. Dye went 2-for-4 and drove in two runs, giving him a career-high 101 RBIs.

David Cone (11-8) dropped to 1-4 with a 4.22 ERA since his perfect game against Montreal on July 18.

#### Orioles 5, Twins 0

Scott Erickson pitched a three-hitter to win his eighth straight decision against his former team, and Albert Belle homered for the third time in two games as Baltimore won at Minnesota.

Erickson (12-11) retired 13 straight batters at one stretch for his fourth win in his last five starts, and third shutout of the season. Erickson, who also shut out the Twins 2-0 on Aug. 18 in Baltimore, has not lost to Minnesota in 10 starts since July 24, 1996.

Belle, who homered twice Monday against Cleveland, hit a solo shot in the fourth, his 33rd. Joe Mays (5-8) took the loss.

#### Mariners 7, Blue Jays 4

Ken Griffey Jr. hit his AL-leading 43rd homer to lead Seattle over

Griffey hit David Wells' 1-2 pitch Giants 7, Mets 4 over the left-center wall to drive in two runs in the fifth. Griffey has hit seven career home runs off Wells (13-10) the most he's hit off any pitcher.

Seattle starter Gil Meche (6-4) put together a solid performance on the night before his 21st birthday by allowing three runs and six hits in six innings.

#### Cubs 2, Reds 1

Reds 10, Cubs 3 Someone hit three homers at Wrigley Field. This time, it was Greg Vaughn

instead of Sammy Sosa. Vaughn had his first career threehomer game as Cincinnati reignited the newest version of the Big Red Machine by hitting six homers in a 10-3 win over the Cubs.

Sosa didn't homer during the doubleheader and remains at 58 with 24 games to go. He was 2-for-8 in the doubleheader, with four strikeouts.

Aaron Boone hit two homers and Mike Cameron connected once for the Reds, who hit a major league record 14 homers in a two-game span Saturday and Sunday in Philadelphia, but had one homer Monday and none in Tuesday's opener.

Cincinnati dropped three games behind Houston in the NL Central, but moved within 31/2 games of the Mets in the wild-card race.

Chicago won the opener as 16-game loser Steve Trachsel (6-16) allowed four hits in eight innings, winning consecutive decisions for the first time this season.

Marvin Benard's RBI single capped a two-run eighth-inning rally and Rich Aurilia had three hits and drove in two runs as San Francisco won at New

York. San Francisco, which dropped two straight following a season-high eightgame winning streak, remained 61/2 games behind first-place Arizona in

The Mets, who had a three-game winning streak snapped, are 31/2 games

behind Atlanta in the NL East. Turk Wendell (3-4) lost for the third time in four appearances. Rich Rodriguez (3-0) pitched one inning to earn the victory.

#### Astros 8, Phillies 6

Ken Caminiti hit a tiebreaking, tworun single off Wayne Gomes (4-5) in the ninth inning at Philadelphia to help Houston win its fifth straight.

Jay Powell (5/4) pitched 1 1-3 innings for the victory and Doug Henry got three outs for his first save.

#### Braves 3, Cardinals 2

Pinch-hitter Howard Battle singled home the winning run with two outs in the bottom of the ninth inning, leading Atlanta to its 14th win in 17 games.

Terry Mulholland and Mike Remlinger (7-1) combined on a six-hitter for Atlanta.

Mark McGwire went 0-for-4 with a pair of strikeouts and is hitless in 12 at-bats and stuck on 54 homers.

second complete game of the season.

#### Diamondbacks 11, Brewers 9

Matt Williams' grand slam highlighted a seven-run sixth inning as Arizona won at Milwaukee in a game that featured a major league record-tying 15. pitchers.

Steve Finley also homered and tripled in the sixth as the Diamondbacks won for the 16th time in 21 games.

Arizona used eight pitchers and Milwaukee had seven as the teams equaled the major league record for most pitchers used in a nine-inning game. St. Louis and Cincinnati set the record in 1993, and Montreal and Atlanta matched it in 1996.

#### Expos 4, Rockies 1

Vladimir Guerrero went 2-for-3 and drove in four runs to increase his team-leading RBI total as the Expos stopped a four-game losing streak.

Rockies manager Jim Leyland confirmed after the game that he was retiring after the season.

#### Pirates 3, Padres 1

Brian Giles hit a two-run homer off Sterling Hitchcock (11-11), and Jason Schmidt (12-9) shut out San Diego for 7 2-3 innings following Quilvio Veras' leadoff homer.

#### Marlins 2, Dodgers 1

Alex Gonzalez hit a go-ahead taple in the eighth inning off Matt Herges (0-1) to lead Florida.

Jesus Sanchez (5-6) got the win and Darren Oliver (7-9) lost despite his Antonio Alfonseca earned his 17th

## **RANGERS**

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the seventh behind six strong innings from Nagy.

Steve Reed (3-2) walked Royce Clayton leading off the seventh, and after Mark McLemore's bunt advanced Clayton to second, Rodriguez lined his 32nd homer into the right-field seats to

put Texas in front 4-3. "I wasn't trying to hit a home run, I was just trying to hit the ball hard," said Rodriguez, who is two short of matching the league record for homers by a catcher set by Oakland's Terry Steinbach in 1996. "When I hit the ball in the air, sometimes it

goes. But I'm not looking to hit a home

John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 40th save and third in two nights.

Sandy Alomar, who had been sidelined since May 11 after undergoing arthroscopic surgery to remove a bone chip in his left knee, went 0-for-3 in his first game b.

"It was good Nagy said. "He did a good job moving around back there. I'm sure he'll be sore tomorrow.

Manny Ramirez had three hits and two RBIs for the Indians, who won seven of their previous eight games.

The Indians scored a run in the first on Ramirez's RBI single. Ramirez then played a role in the Rangers' two-run

Lee Stevens led off with a double, and Clayton tied the game with a twoout double. McLemore followed with a drive to right center that Ramirez mis-played into an RBI triple to give Texas

a 2-1 lead.

Ramirez tied it at 2 with a thirdinning RBI single.

Cleveland took a 3-2 lead in the sixth when Ramirez doubled and later scored on David Justice's RBI ground-

Notes: Nagy allowed two runs and six hits, struck out four and walked one. ... Texas first baseman-DH Rafael Palmeiro missed the game with a bone bruise on his left wrist. Palmeiro was hit on the wrist by a pitch in the first inning of the first game of Monday's doubleheader against the White Sox. ... The Rangers activated outfielder Mike Simms. Simms has been out all season with left heel problems. ... The Rangers list Palmeiro as day-to-day. ... At 84-56, the Rangers are 28 games over .500 for the first time in franchise history. ...

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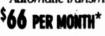
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with you. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic: 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

do. VIRGO likes to brainstorm

ARIES (March 21-April 19) \*\*\*\*\*Listen carefully to anoth-

er in your business arena. Resolutions made today are likely to get a green light. Others want to pitch in and help in any way they can. Efficiency is high; maximize

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to overspend. Tonight: Working

\*\*\*\*\*Allow your imagination

to soar. Recognize that the only

existing limits are set by you.

Knowing that the sky is the

limit, brainstorm and go for

that heartfelt desire. Both busi-

ness and personal lives thrive

under the present configura-

tions. Tonight: Talk through a

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

HOROSCOPE

productivity. There's no need you think on your feet and

make solid decisions. Someone

else could be quite challenging,

but do you really care? New

beginnings are possible. Just

state your goals. Tonight: Talk

\*\*\*\*\*You are personality plus.

Listen to others. Exchange and

discuss information with one

who sees life far differently

than you see it. Another is

absolutely serious about an

offer. Talk turkey while the

signs point to "Go." Tonight:

\*\*\*Take an overview when

you deal with others. Somehow,

the way you see a difficult situ-

ation could change. A fresh

start can happen, but only if

you change your attitude.

Allow more laughter into your

life. Don't take that difficult

person's words to heart.

Tonight: Opt for quiet as

\*\*\*\*\*Attend meetings; join

others and hone in on your

dreams and wishes. An overly

serious person chips in and

makes a project doable. Make a

commitment; it can succeed

under present aspects. New

beginnings are available in a

friendship. Tonight: Do some

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec./

\*\*\*Take the next step in your

profession. Don't be intimidat-

ed by a co-worker who seems

much more responsible. Make

work decisions. Discuss plans

with others. Start fresh. Listen

to someone who has at least as

much expertise as you have.

Tonight: Working till the wee

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

research on the Internet.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

opposed to crowds.

Beam in whatever you want.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

about your budget.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\*\*You make inroads where you never thought any were possible. Listen to a friend. Discuss possibilities. Go for what you want; make calls. Don't stand on ceremony. Discussions prove to be fruitful. Make a long-overdue resolution. Tonight: Hanging out. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

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District will hold a public hearing or the 16th day of September, 1999 at 9:00 a.m. in the Water District Office, located at 132 North Main St. in Garden City to discuss the Districts 2000 Budget. 2473 September 8, 1999

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when I take him for a walk or to am

the mall, I faced with disapproving looks and rude

comments from adults who obviously think he is my baby. I see people shake their heads when I walk by, and I hear them mutter about irresponsible teen-

I don't know how to respond to people like that, but I do know that adults should stop seeing something wrong with every situation they encounter. They seem to think my entire generation is hopeless. This is far from the truth.

Abby, how should I deal with this situation when I next encounter it? -- SWEET 16,

SEATTLE DEAR SWEET 16: I know it's far from the truth, and you shouldn't be put in the position where you feel you "must respond" to disapproving looks and rude remarks from strangers. Have a T-shirt made for your little brother bearing the message: "She's My Sister!"

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letters in your column about children's behavior in restaurants, I had to write.

When my current husband and I began dating, we had three toddlers between us. Two were his, one was mine. The youngest, his 1-year-old, ran wild. I was ashamed and embarrassed. The two girls were fine. (His daughter was 3 and mine was 2.) But oh, that son! He threw temper tantrums, insisted on a particular cup or plate or he wouldn't eat, stood on chairs and benches, etc. He was spoiled rotten, and I told my husband so. I also told him it was wrong to allow such behavior. It didn't faze him.

One day we were in a restaurant, and a stranger came to our table and said, "You two have three beautiful children. What a shame that your son's behavior is all I'll remember when we leave."

What an impact that made!

a distance. Another clearly cares about you; make decisions for the long term. Say "yes" to an experience that will open doors. Success is yours. Channel your creativity into work. Seek to learn more in your profession. Tonight: Take

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AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\*Partners renew promise . Others make that extra effort; What is decided upon could last for a long time to come. New beginnings are possible vith finances as well. Listen to '/hat another shares. Get to the bottom of a problem, even if you are uncomfortable. Tonight: Go

for togetherness. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\*\*A stiff conversation allows you to get more of a vision of what may be possible. Others have a different concept about what is needed. Clear up?

misunderstanding. Brainstorm. Somehow you find a midpoint of agreement. Tonight: Let another decide.

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My husband began right then

and there teaching his son

Three years ago, on an air-

plane flight, a flight attendant

approached my husband and

said, "Your three kids are so

polite. They say please and

thank you. Half the adults on

this flight could learn from

them!" The kids were 12, 13

and 14 at that time. We were,

and still are, so proud. And the

son, who is now 15, is a very

So obviously, children will do

well-mannered gentleman.

acceptable behavior.

## Adults jumping to conclusions trip on misconception of teen

DEAR ABBY: I am a 16-yearold girl with wonderful parents and a great little sister who is 1/3. My mom just had a third child. My brother's name is "Nathan." He is 6 months old now and I don't think any baby could be more loved.

Because my mother works part time, I

take care of my brother for a few hours each The prob lem is that

> ABIGAIL VAN **BUREN**

what the parent allows. STEPMOM IN TAMPA DEAR STEPMOM: Absolutely! And that's why it's important for parents to set limits for their children. How else are they going to/learn what is acceptable and what is

YOUR CHUCKLE FOR THE DAY: A woman came home from work and found a note. from her husband. It said 🕻 "Your doctor's office called." Your Pabst beer is normal!" - 2 ANNE B. WARZYN, KANSAS

CITY, MO. DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter from "Frustrated," who was looking for an alternative to a religious wedding ceremony, may I suggest secular Humanist clergy?

I am a Humanist minister from the Humanist Society of Friends whose celebrants, ministers, chaplains, counselors and pastors are all secular Humanists. You can find us throughout the United States and Canada. For details, your readers can call the American **Humanist Association toll-free** number: (800) 743-6646, or email them

humanism(at)juno.com. I have performed nonreligious weddings, funerals and naming ceremonies since 1963, when I first obtained mylicense from the state of Ohio to solemnize marriages. My state license is identical to that of any other clergy. —DR. RICK RICKARDS, CLEVELAND

DEAR DR. RICKARDS: Thank you for pointing this out. After I printed that letter, I was flooded with letters from readers telling me that Humanist celebrants function the same way members of traditional clergy do — with one exception: They are nontheists.

Many people also wrote to remind me that Unitarian Universalist ministers are also willing to perform ceremonies without reference to God. The telephone number of the Unitarian Universalist Association is (617) 742-2100. Their Web address is:

www.uua.org/main.html. To all of you who took the time to write, thank you for the

Lots of people "brake for garage sales." In fact, garage sale hopping has become something of a national pastime. So get a piece of the action!

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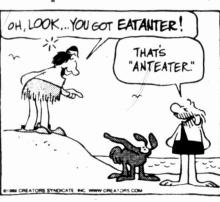
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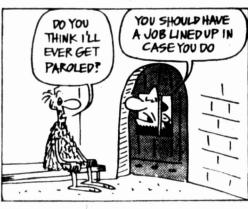
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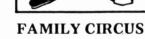
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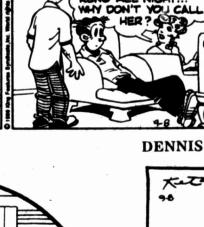


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"Do you think gina would bet mad if I told her I THOUGHT SHE WAS PRETTY?

THIS DATE

"Well, okay. I guess savin' the world

can wait until morning.

## IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Wednesday, Sept. 8, the 251st day of 1999. There are

114 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Sept. 8, 1974, President Ford granted an unconditional pardon to former President Nixon.

On this date:

In 1900, Galveston, Texas,

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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In 1930, the comic strip "Blondie" first appeared.

In 1935, Sen. Huey P. Long, "The Kingfish" of Louisiana politics, was shot and mortally wounded; he died two days later.

In 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared a "limited national emergency" in response to the outbreak of war in Europe. In 1945, Bess Myerson of New

York was crowned Miss America, the first Jewish contestant to win the title. In 1951, a peace treaty with

Japan was signed by 48 other nations in San Francisco. In 1952, the Ernest

Hemingway novel "The Old Man and the Sea" was published. In 1975, Boston's public

schools began mandatory busing to integrate schools; there were scattered incidents of violence. In 1985, Pete Rose of the

Cincinnati Reds tied Ty Cobb's career record for hits with a single for No. 4,191 during a game against the Cubs in Chicago. Ten years ago: Former

President Reagan underwent surgery at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota to relieve fluid build-up on his brain after a horse-riding accident.

Five years ago: A USAir Boeing 737 crashed near Pittsburgh International Airport, killing all 132 people on board.

One year ago: Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals broke Roger Maris' 37-year-old record for home runs in a single season, hitting No. 62 off Chicago Cubs pitcher Steve Trachsel.

Today's Birthdays: Comedian Sid Caesar is 77. Country singer-songwriter Harlan Howard is 72. Actor Alan Feinstein is 58. Author Ann Beattie is 52. Musician Will Lee ("Late Show With David Letterman'') is 47. Actress Heather Thomas is 42. Pop musician David Steele (Fine Young Cannibals) is 39. Rhythm-and-blues singer Mare Gordon (Levert) is 35. Actor Henry Thomas is 28. Actor David Arquette is 28. Actor Larenz Tate is 24. Actor Jonathan Taylor Thomas ("Home Improvement") is 18.

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