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WHAT'S UP...

TODAY
□ Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.
□ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.
□ Kiwanis Club, noon, HC Cactus Room.
□ Masonic Lodge No. 598, 7:30 p.m., 219 Main.

FRIDAY
□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Bring a lunch.
□ AMBUCS, noon, Brandin'
□ Greater Big Spring Rotary Club spaghetti dinner, 5:30-7 p.m., Big Spring High School cafeteria. Adults \$5, children \$3.

SATURDAY
□ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
□ The Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. Admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens is asked.
□ Dance 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Members and guests welcome.

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□ Big Spring Evening
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Rotary spaghetti dinner on tap for Friday before Steers game

RICK McLAUGHLIN
Staff Writer

An annual tradition of spaghetti before football is coming this way again. The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club spaghetti dinner will be held Friday from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Big Spring High School cafeteria.



SCOTT

Dinner will include spaghetti, of course, with bread, brownies and iced tea. Tickets are available at the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under 12. "This has been going on for several years," said John Scott, "but it is the fourth year for the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club. The proceeds go for our fund-raising efforts and we use it for all kinds of things." Some 500 people showed up last year to help that effort, said

SPAGHETTI DINNER

WHAT — Greater Big Spring Rotary Club spaghetti dinner
WHEN — 5:30-7 p.m. Friday
WHERE — Big Spring High School cafeteria
COST — \$5 for adults and \$3 for children

Scott, who serves as chairman of this year's fund-raising committee.

Scott said the club has a major international project in a poor community in the mountains in Mexico. "It's a community the club has adopted. We go down there several times a year. Most recently we were down there with a load of school supplies," Scott pointed out. "They are so poor down there, that didn't even have a refrigerator for the school lunches and that is the only good meal of the day for most of the children," he noted. "Our club bought them a refrigerator for the

school." Not all of the money goes to the community in Mexico, he said. "We have earmarked money for the Humane Society, as well as other worthwhile projects," he added. The dinner is not the only fund-raiser for the club. The club also coordinates the concession stand program for the annual July 4 Pops In The Park program. Along with Scott, the spaghetti dinner committee includes Pam Welch and Joann Smoot.

St. Mary's to observe twin anniversaries on Sunday

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

With the music of a pipe organ and the tolling of a bell, members of St. Mary's Episcopal Church have marked and celebrated important occasions. Now the congregation will honor both instruments, at the 100th anniversary of the bell and 25th anniversary of the pipe organ. A service of rededication is planned Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at the church, 1001 Goliad.



BODINE

An organ recital by Willis Bodine will follow the service, and a short program of music for flute and piano will precede it.

The Rev. James Liggett, rector for St. Mary's, said both the bell and organ have a rich history in the life of the church and community.

"Church bells are an old church tradition," he explained. "We have used ours to announce worship services, special events and it is often tolled at funerals."

The bell was cast in 1899 by the Meneely Bell Co. of New York, for the second church building occupied by St. Mary's, located at Fifth and Rannels. The bell was moved when the church relocated in 1958, moving from the belfry of the old church to the Bennett Memorial Garden at the current location.

The bell is inscribed in Latin with a verse from Luke, which translates, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

The pipe organ was built in 1974 by Casavant Freres of Canada. It contains 15 ranks of pipes, and is German baroque in style and sound.



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

The Rev. James Liggett, rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, stands next to the church bell, which is 100 years old. It and the church's pipe organ, which is 25 years old, will be rededicated in a service of worship and music Sunday afternoon.

"The richness of its sound fills the space very well," said Liggett, adding that during the last 50 or more years, use of pipe organs in churches has unfortunately declined.

"There's just no sound that can equal it," he said. The congregation's decision to purchase one 25 years ago, Liggett added, "meant they wanted excellence in music, and a traditional worship."

Leaders for Sunday's service

will include the Rev. Wallis Ohl, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Northwest Texas; the Rev. Harland Birdwell, who was rector in Big Spring 1968-80; and Liggett.

Organist Bodine is professor of music at the University of Florida, Gainesville. A native Texan, he has degrees in music from the University of Texas, is a frequent recitalist, composer

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MHMR board

Governing body gathers at BSSH for first time, commissioner here also

By JOHN H. WALKER
Editor

The nine-member Texas Mental Health and Mental Retardation Board of Directors has a full agenda for their two-day stay in Big Spring, which got under way at 8:30 this morning at Big Spring State Hospital (BSSH).

In addition, MHMR commissioner Karen Hale is also in town. This is her second visit to Big Spring after being named commissioner. She was here last fall to participate in the awards program at the Volunteer Service Council's annual luncheon.

"The state board likes to hold their meetings at different facilities during the year so they can become more familiar with the numerous operations they set policy for," explained BSSH CEO Ed Moughon. "We are pleased they are coming to Big Spring, and we are eager to show them how well our employees are caring for the mentally ill in the West Texas area."

Moughon said this was the first time for the board to meet at the hospital.

The board is chaired by Charles M. Cooper of the Baylor Health Care System Foundation in Dallas. Cooper's term on the board expires Jan. 31, 2001.

Other members of the board include Dr. Kenneth Z. Altschuler of the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas, Rodolfo Arredondo of the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center, Sharon



ARREDONDO



BAYLES



HALE



BUTTERWORTH



HARDIN



PERKINS



SCOTT

Butterworth of Austin, Dr. Spencer Bayles of Houston, Andrew Hardin of McKinney, Harriet Helmle of San Antonio, James Perkins of Tyler and Lynda Scott of The Woodlands. Board activities began with a meeting of the business and asset management committee, chaired by Hardin.

That committee heard an update on workers compensation and risk management and received an update on the state MHMR budget, among other items.

The committee also accepted more than 40 donations in excess of \$500 each, including a

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SWCID heading into next century with state-of-art program

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf is preparing for the new millennium by offering a state-of-the-art certification program this semester — Graphic Arts Technology.

"My goal for the Graphic Arts Technology program is to see our students become successful and to achieve their goals of being graphic arts designers," said Lisa Morgan, instructor for the new program at SWCID, through American Sign Language interpreter Nancy Edge.



MORGAN

Morgan said the new program has five students this semester,

which is an expected enrollment for a program so new. She hopes to increase enrollment as more students learn it is offered.

And with a shiny, colorful computer lab with brand new i-Mac computers and the most up-to-date desktop publishing software, Morgan said she expects the program to become very popular.

"I have other faculty tell me all the time they want our computers," she said.

The computer laboratory, which cost about \$45,000, has eight iMac computers, all linked to a central printer. Each computer is installed with the available software.

The program, which replaced a traditional photo-journalism certification, allows students to learn all phases of desktop publishing, including page layout.

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HERALD photo/Rick McLaughlin

Don Patterson, left, and former Malone and Hogan Clinic administrator R. L. Heath, center, chat with retiring podiatrist Dr. Ray Owen in the lobby of the clinic Wednesday. Owen and his wife, Carole, will be relocating to Temple where he says he plans to volunteer his services to the Ronald McDonald House.

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\$30,000 pledge from HEB Grocery Co. in six annual gifts of \$5,000 each.

Also scheduled this morning was a meeting of the planning and policy development committee, chaired by Arredondo.

Following the completion of that meeting, directors adjourned to the Big Spring Country Club for a luncheon hosted by West Texas Centers for MHMR and Moore Development for Big Spring, Inc.

Featured speaker at the luncheon was Jacqueline Shannon of San Angelo, president of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI). Shannon spoke on the importance of community MHMR centers in the care and treatment of people with chronic mental illness.

Following the luncheon, meetings were held by the Medicaid committee, chaired by Bayles, and the audit and financial oversight committee, chaired by Perkins.

The meetings are scheduled to resume on Friday with a general meeting of the board to take official action on committee recommendations.

Big Spring State Hospital serves more than 200 adolescents and adults in a 78-county area, including El Paso, San Angelo, Abilene and Amarillo.

In-patient services include a 78-bed acute care program, 36-bed rehabilitative program, 32-bed seniors program, 22-bed medical program, 18-bed youth program and 16-bed multiple disabilities program.

West Texas Centers for MHMR is one of 38 community MHMR centers in Texas funded by the Department of Mental Health and Retardation. WTC has 500 employees in the 23-county service area. More than 200 of the employees reside in Howard County. The annual payroll for WTC is more than \$12 million.

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and consultant on organ design.

Bodine will perform several traditional hymns, and will debut an anthem written for this occasion, "Psalm 122: I Was Glad When They Said To Me."

The church choir will also perform for the service, along with Gloria Steelman on flute, and Darryl Knapp on piano.

A reception will follow the service.

SWCID

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and design, advertising creation and even how to draw on a computer, she said.

"My feeling is that the students who receive this certification will have business opportunities in graphic arts in a newspaper or publishing company. I recommend that they continue their education and go to the university once they have finished here, to advance their knowledge," Morgan said.

Morgan, who hails from Odessa, received a bachelor of arts degree from Gallaudet University in graphic arts. She completed internships at a newspaper, as well as at the

Pentagon and the Washingtonian Magazine. She shares her enthusiasm for the high-tech process and love of the printed page with her students.

"I am very excited about this program and the possibilities it holds for our students. I love this type of work and feel that it is the most interesting," she said.

The program is offered in seven classes. The first, which Morgan requires all students to take, is Introduction to Graphic Arts.

"My students may not be familiar with a computer, so I ask they all take this class, to give them a comfort level with computers. This is an overview class, where I can show them just some of what the computer and programs can do," she said.

Another course offered is Electronic Publishing. In this class students will design their own cover pages and newsletters, as well as a variety of other projects, using Quark XPress, a Macintosh program.

In Pre-Press Technology, students will be taught how to make animated graphics on the computer. Through the use of the software which includes cartoon graphics, students will see how Internet web pages are created, and learn how to turn their own ideas into a reality.

"This class really gets their feet wet, and they learn how to do it," she said.

Object Draw is another drawing course that uses Clip Art, Adobe Art, and CorelDraw to actually draw designs on the computer screen that are then produced into hard copies such as newsletters or brochures.

"We also teach word processing, and two other classes that offer the digital camera and all of its uses," she said.

The course requires 36 hours of study to receive certification.

"My goal is to expand this program for more students. I hope to actively recruit students for this program, and as SWCID expands, so will graphic arts technology," Morgan said.

WHAT'S UP

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Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third.

TUESDAY

- Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center.
- Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
- Quarterback Club, 7 p.m., Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.

WEDNESDAY

- Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room.
- Senior Circle Big Spring Fall Walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.
- Line dancing, 10:30 a.m., Senior Citizen Center, Industrial Park.
- Brown Bag seminar with storyteller Oscar Garcia, noon, Howard College.
- Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

George C. Scott dies at age 71

LOS ANGELES (AP) — George C. Scott, whose eagle profile and gravel-voiced, commanding air brought life to Gen. George S. Patton and earned him an Oscar he refused to accept, has died. He was 71.

Scott died Wednesday at his home in Westlake Village, about 40 miles northwest of Los Angeles, said Pat Mahoney, the wife of Scott's publicist.

She said today she didn't know the cause of death.

"They just found him and are trying to find out what happened," she said. "He was on

again, off again for a while. He just expired."

The answering service for the Ventura County Coroner's office confirmed Scott had died but had no other information. The coroner planned to release a statement this morning, Sheriff's Sgt. Paul Higgason said.

Scott captivated audiences in roles ranging from the dangerously explosive, yet sympathetic Patton in 1970 to the fatuous blowhard Gen. Buck Turgidson in Stanley Kubrick's 1964 classic "Dr. Strangelove."

The two were opposite ends of a spectrum of memorable film characters: the shark on the sidelines who tries to devour Paul Newman in "The Hustler"; the high-powered ringer brought in to steamroller small-town lawyer James Stewart in "Anatomy of a Murder"; the dedicated doctor ground down by red tape and institutional incompetence in "The Hospital."

For all his success in motion pictures, Scott disdained moviemaking, saying it was tedious and he did it only for the money.

"I have to work in the theater to stay sane," he said. "You can attack the stage fresh every night."

When Scott rose from a sickbed at age 68 to star in the 1996 Broadway revival of "Inherit the Wind," one critic said it was like watching a horse buggy powered by a Ferrari engine.

In private life, Scott was for years a bellicose drinker whose profile was marked by a nose broken five times, in four barroom brawls and one mugging.

SUPPORT GROUPS

THURSDAY

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

- Grief Support related to the death of a loved one. Call Nurses Unlimited, Inc., at 264-6523.
- 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.

FRIDAY

- Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

8 p.m. Big Book Study.

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

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

BRIEFS

CANTEMBURY, 1700 LANCASTER, WILL have its Fall Festival on Thursday, Sept. 30, from 6 to 9 p.m. It will begin with a hot dog supper, entertainment, cake walk, go fishing booth and more.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHTS WILL be operating as of Friday at the intersection of Fifth and Main streets. The signal lights will replace the two-way stop at that intersection.

THE HOWARD COUNTY LEARN to Read Quarterly Meeting will be Sept. 27, from 7 to 8 p.m. at Community Room in the Howard County Library.

Join us to share any concerns, problems or tips you may have. A brief training program will be presented after the group discussion.

ROTARY CLUB MEMBERS ARE seeking four outstanding business and professional people ages 25-40 to visit the Punjab Province of India Jan. 22-Feb. 25, 2000, through the group study exchange program of The Rotary Foundation.

Participants live with host families while they study the nation's economic, social and cultural characteristics through travel and discussions. For an application, contact Lynn A. Simpson at 263-6949, or e-mail: lsimpson@hc.cc.tx.us. Interviews will be Oct. 23 in Amarillo, and all applicants must attend.

MARKETS

Dec. cotton 52.30 cents, down 14 points; Nov. crude 24.67, up 55 points; cash steers steady at 34; cash hogs steady at 66 even; Oct. lean hog futures 45.80, up 25 points; Oct. live cattle futures 66.02, down 32 points.

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Cifra 15 1/2 to 15 3/4
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THEFT was reported at 1600 Lancaster, 1100 N. Lamesa, and 3300 W. Highway 80.
MINOR ACCIDENTS were reported in the 2700 block of Central, Third and Birdwell, and the 200 block of W. Marcy.
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported at 4200 Dixon.
BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 400 block of W. Eighth, and the 1400 block of Virginia.
MAJOR ACCIDENT was reported in the 1500 block of E. Fourth.
DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 2500 block of Gunter and the 1500 block of Cherokee.

RECORDS

Wednesday's high 79
Wednesday's low 50
Average high 84
Average low 59
Record high 102 in 1925
Record low 41 in 1924
Precip. Wednesday 0.00
Month to date 3.17
Month's normal 1.13
Year to date 11.44
Normal for the year 14.50
Sunrise Thursday 7:35 a.m.
Sunset Thursday 7:40 p.m.

CORRECTION

An item in the Sheriff's log in the Tuesday issue of the Big Spring Herald reported that Richard Huckabee, 39, was arrested on a motion to revoke probation/driving while intoxicated. The correct charge should have been that Huckabee was arrested on a motion to revoke probation/driving while license invalid.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Wednesday and 8 a.m. Thursday.
CARROLL MCKEE, 43, was arrested for public intoxication.
THOMAS FAY, 59, was arrested for public intoxication.
UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT was reported at 400 E. Fourth St.

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Correction
In the Wednesday, Sept. 22 issue of the Big Spring Herald, The Dunlaps insert was inadvertently omitted. The insert will appear in today's issue. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

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Clinton keeps his promise, vetoes GOP's \$792 billion tax cut

WASHINGTON (AP) — After weeks of partisan jockeying over taxes, President Clinton is carrying out his threatened veto of the \$792 billion tax cut pushed by Republicans, while expressing hope that Congress will approve an alternative plan by year's end.

Clinton scheduled a veto ceremony today for the White House Rose Garden, in which he planned to stress the need to preserve Social Security and Medicare before passing out tax cuts. He delayed the veto by a day, due to a strained voice.

White House spokesman Joe Lockhart said Clinton planned to deliver the veto in conciliatory tones, listing "what we can do that will facilitate getting something done" on taxes before Congress wraps up its current legislative session.

"The president believes this

Congress can get something done this year," Lockhart said. "The message is that the president hasn't given up on the Congress, even if they may have given up on themselves."

On Capitol Hill, the battle lines were clearly drawn.

"If he vetoes our tax bill, he will in effect have increased taxes on the American people by \$792 billion," said House Ways and Means Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas. "We should not be increasing people's taxes."

The tax bill would use part of a projected 10-year budget surplus to reduce all federal income tax rates by 1 percentage point, cut capital gains taxes, phase out estate taxes and ease the "marriage penalty" paid by many two-income couples. In nearly party-

line votes, it passed in the House, 221-206, and in the Senate, 50-49, falling far short of the two-thirds majority needed to overturn a veto.

As the package coursed through the legislative process, Clinton traveled the country arguing that such an ambitious tax cut reflected misplaced priorities — salvaging Social Security and Medicare should come first. He also said it would absorb so much of the projected budget surpluses that federal programs from national parks to education could suffer deep, debilitating cuts. He has instead proposed cutting taxes by up to \$300 billion.

In a recent letter to Clinton, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., denied the tax cut would hurt entitlement programs and

raised the prospect that surpluses would be used to "pay for other Washington spending."

On Sept. 15, the day the tax plan was delivered to the president, Vice President Al Gore — who is pursuing the Democratic presidential nomination — declared it "dead on arrival at the White House."

Polls have consistently shown that tax cuts are not as important to voters as saving Social Security or strengthening Medicare. Many polls show that up to half of Americans believe the GOP tax cut would mainly benefit the wealthy.

Republican leaders have pushed the issue because they feel it matters to their core constituencies.

Rep. Charles Rangel of New York, ranking Democrat on the House Ways and Means Committee, said the political

nature of the tax bill was ultimately its downfall.

"They never drafted a tax bill. Really, it was a political statement drafted to mobilize people and support for Republicans in the House and Senate," Rangel said. "They know you have to negotiate a bill of that size. They never wanted to negotiate it."

The Internal Revenue Service is urging Republicans to move quickly if they plan to extend several expiring tax provisions so forms can be drafted for the 2000 filing season.

IRS Commissioner Charles Rossotti told Archer at a meeting Wednesday that tax-law changes effective for next year should be on the president's desk by Oct. 7.

Archer said he hoped to move forward on a tax package — possibly as early as Friday — that

would extend several expiring provisions at a one-year cost of roughly \$3 billion. These "extenders" were part of the larger \$792 billion tax cut, but unlike that bill they have broad bipartisan support.

They include a research and development tax credit favored by high-tech companies and manufacturers and a provision ensuring that millions of middle-class taxpayers don't fall subject to the higher alternative minimum tax if they take personal credits on their income tax returns such as the \$500 per-child credit and education credits.

Other provisions include extension of credits aimed at encouraging businesses to hire workers from certain targeted groups and to provide jobs for former welfare recipients.

Jury enters second day of punishment deliberations

BRYAN, Texas (AP) — A jury today is set to enter a second day of deliberations on punishment for a white supremacist convicted of capital murder in the dragging death of a black East Texas man.

The jury mulling the fate of Lawrence Russell Brewer, 32, failed to choose one of two punishment options — a sentence of life or death — after 11 hours of discussion Wednesday.

The panel accepted State District Judge Monte Lawlis' offer of a recess for the evening shortly after 9 p.m. CDT. The jury began deliberations just before 10 a.m., after hearing closing arguments from attorneys on both sides.

Brewer, one of three white supremacists accused in the June 7, 1998, killing of James Byrd Jr., was convicted by the same jury Monday. Byrd, 49, was secured to the bumper of a pickup truck by a 24-foot logging chain and dragged over three miles to his death along a bumpy country road northeast of Jasper.

If sentenced to death, Brewer would join prison pal John William King, 24, on death row. King was convicted and condemned in February, and a third man, Shawn Allen Berry, also 24, is awaiting a trial in late October.

Early in its deliberations, the jury asked to see some of Brewer's letters and a portion of his testimony that described events immediately preceding Byrd's death. Those were provided.

When jurors later asked if the court could define the terms "society, violence and probability," they received a reply there was no legal defini-

tion for the terms. They requested a dictionary, which was refused because a dictionary was not among the evidence. They also asked for a report from a psychologist who testified for the defense.

"Too long, no question about it," Jasper County District Attorney Guy James Gray said. "The main word is 'frustration.' It's frustrating to get this far along and get in this final stage of it and not be able to finish it."

The jurors are considering three questions: whether Brewer is a future danger to society, whether he intended to kill Byrd and whether any mitigating circumstances about him should be considered.

Answering "yes" to the first two questions and "no" to the third, Lawlis would sentence Brewer to lethal injection. Any other answers and Brewer would go to prison for life. Jurors were not told a life term would mean at least 40 years in prison without chance of parole.

Among the evidence introduced over the past nine days were letters Brewer wrote to King showing that the two had belonged to the Confederate Knights of America, a racist group, and recruited others.

At King's trial, prosecutors said Byrd's murder was intended to give the group notoriety.

After the killing, Brewer wrote King saying he had become a "hero" and a life sentence would do no justice. He said lethal injection would be "a little old sleeping medicine." Brewer's attorneys characterized the writings as only bragging to impress other inmates.

Time running out on Taiwan's trapped victims

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) — As cries for help increasingly turned to ominous silence, rescue teams battled the clock today to save nearly 2,000 trapped and missing victims of Taiwan's devastating earthquake.

More than 60 hours after the earthquake struck, at least 2,103 people were known dead, 7,800 injured and 1,844 still unaccounted for — the vast majority of whom were believed buried under rubble and landslides, the Disaster Management Center said.

The center said 2,268 people had been rescued, many of them extracted from some 6,000 completely destroyed housing units across the island.

The Tuesday temblor had a preliminary magnitude of 7.6 — about the same strength as the devastating tremor that killed more than 15,000 people in Turkey last month.

Although many people were still trapped in buildings, Wednesday's rescue efforts yielded only nine who were safely brought out, officials said.

In some isolated mountain villages of central Taiwan, the worst-hit region of the island, rescue efforts have just begun.

Rescuers had to walk for hours through rugged terrain Wednesday to reach the village of Kuoshin, where a massive flow of mud and rock off three hillsides killed 60 villagers and buried 40 others, the China Times reported.

Only 50 people, a third of the population, are known to have survived as the hills virtually collapsed and filled up a valley, the newspaper said.

One mother, identified as Mrs. Chang, said she and her two daughters were carried along on the slide for a half-mile

"as if sitting on a magic carpet."

The village is located in Nantou County, where 830 people were killed, while more than 970 died in neighboring Taichung County.

The Taiwanese government said today it will spend \$32 million to build 2,000 temporary homes to shelter homeless earthquake victims — with an ambitious deadline of three weeks to get the job done.

Many people have complained not enough was done to rescue trapped relatives. Some people have stood outside wrecked buildings, listening in vain to cries from trapped friends and family. In many cases, the screams have faded into silence.

Inspecting damage in the town of Toului, President Lee Teng-hui was confronted by an angry woman who asked for a full investigation into why the building where her elderly in-laws were trapped had collapsed.

Many high-rises were left partially toppled in the quake, leaning over in bizarre angles against other structures — perhaps the result of stout construction on top of a weak foundation, rescue teams said.

Engineers and seismologists from around the world are flying to Taiwan to find out why some buildings failed while others survived the quake.

Robert Geller, a professor of geophysics at Tokyo University, said that weak, wide open spaces on the ground floor can leave an entire building very vulnerable to the kind of potent, sideways motion generated by earthquakes.

The ground floor of many collapsed buildings may have been very weak structurally because of the presence of a garage or a shop, Geller said.

A contractor was arrested Wednesday in connection with the collapse of three buildings he built in Toului, a prosecutor said. In Taipei county the assets of a building company were reported frozen on similar grounds.

The Health Department warned of possible epidemics from lack of water and improper care of corpses. With morgues overflowing, medics have been forced to lay bodies on the floors of hospitals and community centers.

Water shortages were predicted for the island's third-largest city, Taichung, after the quake ruptured a section of the Shihkang Reservoir. Water was streaming through the opening in the dam, said the United Daily News.

"We are just trying to bring peace and calm back into these people's lives," said Miao Yun,

leading a group of Buddhist nuns and monks through Taichung's largest hospital where 100 were being treated.

Rescue efforts were hampered Wednesday when three strong aftershocks rocked the island, forcing emergency workers to move back from collapsed structures where they were trying to save as many lives as possible.

Assisting hard-pressed local teams were more than 500 specialists from 14 countries, the United Nations and the International Red Cross. Fifty sniffer dogs accompanied some of the teams.

The fresh jolts triggered massive mudslides and cracked Sun Moon Lake Reservoir, one of Taiwan's largest dams and a prime tourist attraction. Restaurants and temples set amid mountains were reportedly destroyed or severely damaged.

Educators reverse ban on 'Cedars,' return it to library

BOERNE (AP) — Central Texas educators have reversed their district's ban of an award-winning book from a school library for its accounts of sex and violence.

Members of the Boerne school board voted to return "Snow Falling on Cedars" to Boerne High School library shelves by a 5-2 margin on Monday. But the book remains off limits to senior English classes.

"It was the feeling of the majority of the board that the book belonged in the library, but not in the classroom," DeeAnn Wilson, school board President, said Wednesday. "The difference being mandatory reading, as curriculum, vs. the choice to check the book out of the library."

Named book of the year by the American Booksellers Association in 1995 and winner

of the PEN/Faulkner Award, the work was banned last month after teacher Frances Riley assigned 80 12th graders in her English class to read it.

School trustees took the action to return the book to the library after hearing support and criticism of a school administrators' decision to pull the book and reprimand Ms. Riley.

Ms. Riley has declined comment Wednesday on the reprimand. A telephone number was not available for her today and she could not be contacted by The Associated Press.

Trustees Fred Jones and Michael Schultz voted against putting the book back in the library.

"If it's not appropriate to be taught in the classroom, then it's not appropriate to be on a library shelf in the high school," Schultz said.

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OUR VIEWS

MHMR board gets opportunity to meet locally

For the first time in its history, the board of the Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation is meeting at Big Spring State Hospital.

The nine-member board held a series of committee meetings today in preparation for Friday's regular monthly board meeting.

The MHMR profession is important to Big Spring and Howard County, not only for the services provided clients by Big Spring State Hospital and West Texas Centers for MHMR, but for the jobs and payroll, as well.

We're proud of the services provided through our MHMR agencies in Big Spring and West Texas, and we welcome members of the board so that they may see the quality of care and concern for clients exhibited by our local MHMR professionals.

We're equally proud of the way our neighbors, such as Big Spring State Hospital CEO Ed Moughon, have been able to continue providing the best care possible despite shrinking budgets.

Over the years we've watched as Moughon and his staff strive to become more and more cost-efficient ... to get more bang for the buck ... and to stretch our tax dollars as far as possible.

Yes, we're proud that MHMR is a large part of our community. We're proud of the professional manner in which services are provided and duties are performed and, we think, after you spend as couple of days here, you will, too.

Welcome to West Texas!

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

Colon Cancer is real. In the United States colon cancer (CC) is the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths.

About 55,000 Americans die and over 130,000 new cases arise each year.

The risk of developing CC is greatest in those:

- Over 50 years of age
- With a family history of prior CC or colon polyps
- With colitis (inflammatory bowel disease)
- Who eat low fiber/high fat diets
- With a prior history of ovarian, endometrial or breast cancer.

Almost all cancers start as tiny benign polyps. These polyps grow over 8-10 years, sometimes longer, into cancers.

By the time most CC are discovered, 60 percent have already spread. Five year survival is much better (80 to 90 percent) if the CC is detected before it spreads.

Medical studies reveal that screening procedures are beneficial. Screening is important as a tool to detect polyps or CC early.

Recently, an expert panel for the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research developed guidelines for screening.

These guidelines are endorsed by many national organiza-

tions to include the American Cancer Society. Ask your doctor about these. Do something for you and your loved ones. Take charge of your health!

E.W. STOKES, M.D.
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TO THE EDITOR:

Once again the men and women of the Big Spring Fire/EMS Service were out on the streets again asking you for donations for a worthy cause that we have been doing for many years for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

With no surprise to the citizens of Big Spring and Howard County not only opened their hearts but dug deep into their pocketbooks to give to Jerry's Kids. It is with your generosity that we were able to not only reach our goal but exceed it!!!

We would like to express our gratitude for your generosity and caring enough to give the Fill the Boot program for the kids!

As your Big Spring Fire/Rescue/EMS providers, we thank you for all that you have done each year to make the Fill the Boot Program an overwhelming success year after year!

KEN HENSON
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It's time to rethink early school year start

By DEBBIE NORTON
Guest Columnist

With school bells ringing earlier and earlier in towns and cities across the state, Texans are voicing their displeasure. A recent Texas Poll show a majority of parents want school to start within a week of Labor Day.

Clearly, the recent trend toward an early or mid-August return to school has not won many fans — and rightly so. Starting school in August provides no educational benefit whatsoever; kids have no additional class time.

Instead, we have bloated school calendars that have created shorter summers and numerous breaks during the school year itself. For students, this means summer job opportunities are thwarted. It means working families have to dig deeper into their budgets for extra child care during odd times of the year. For teachers, it often means less time to pursue professional development.

Little more than a decade ago, back-to-school meant, it

was early September. Importantly, it also meant teachers had a full three months to pursue advanced degrees, continuing education or additional certification.

Today, many teachers are forced to spend twice as long obtaining a master's degree because of the shortened summer the early school start date produces.

For all practical purposes, the early start date means many teachers now have only a single summer semester to advance their skills and enhance their training. For many of us, this is not only a hardship educationally, but financially as well. Not only do we spend twice as many years in school, but we miss out on the pay increase given once a master's degree is obtained.

By shrinking our summer we are asking our teachers to remain competitive without giving them the time needed to update their skills. For those teachers who are not working toward advanced degrees, an early return to school cuts into time to work a second job or simply re-energize.

So, as we debate ways to encourage, reward and keep the best-trained teachers in Texas classrooms, we should not lose sight of the fact that a return to a traditional school calendar — one that begins on or after Sept. 1 — would itself help enhance our profession and the education students receive.

As someone concerned about the unique problems facing our migrant school children, I also must note that returning the start of the school year to early September could help reduce the dropout rate among these students.

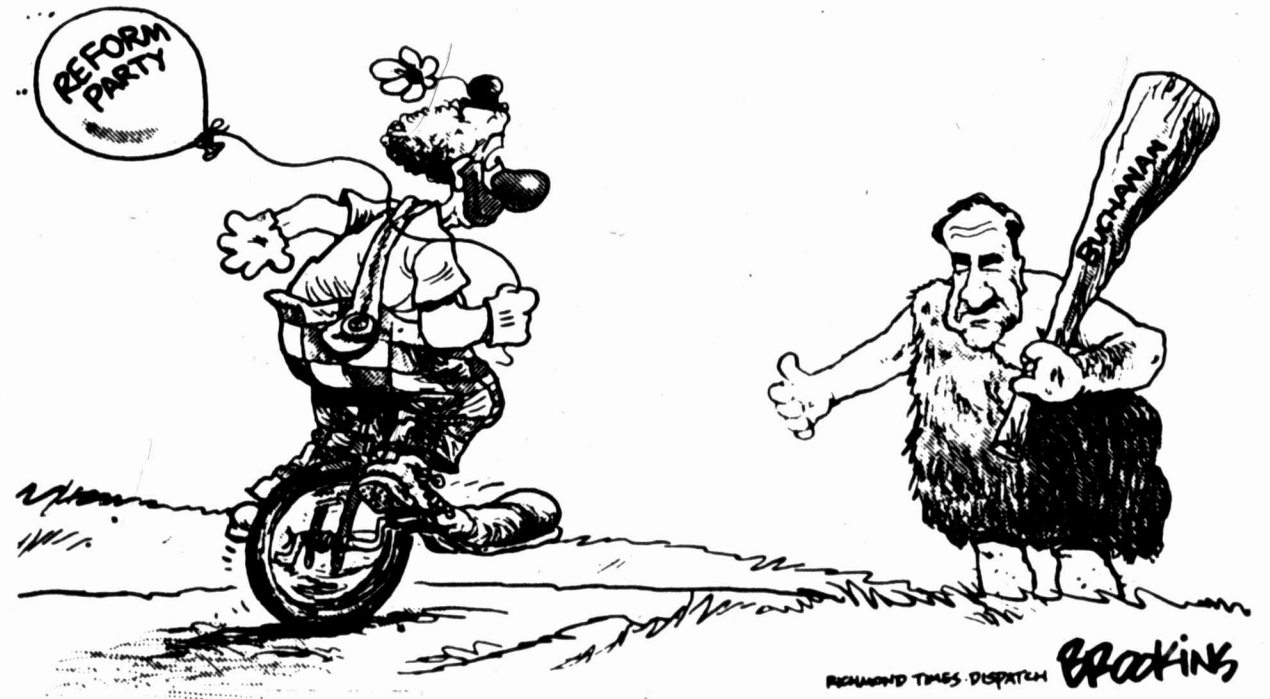
Migrant students are often forced to miss the first four to six weeks of class under the current non-traditional school calendar. Nationally, the dropout rate for migrant school children is an unconscionable 45 percent. These kids are already at risk; and early start date contributes to the problem.

Just as there is no proven educational gain to starting the school year early, there are several other advantages to starting later.

Students would have more of the summer to gain on-the-job experience. Working families who must foot the bill for child care during the many breaks the longer school year creates would have one less burden on their household budgets. School districts would cut down on the need to air condition classrooms during some of the hottest times of the year — saving money that could be used elsewhere in education.

Clearly, we should be focused on providing students with the best environment to learn, including teachers who have been given the time needed to advance their skills. Cultivating this positive learning environment includes moving the school back to where it was — early September.

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'Sleaze Central' likely moniker for Clinton White House

In the midst of the firestorm of criticism over the release of unrepentant Puerto Rican terrorists, the Clintons have plunged ahead with a shady sweetheart

loan to buy a \$1.35-million mansion they cannot afford in Westchester County, so that Hillary can claim to live in New York while running for the Senate and commuting to the White House. This presidential clemency was only the fourth granted by Clinton among the thousands of requests received. Every relevant federal law enforcement agency had opposed it. The House has already voted in a landslide to condemn the release, not even minority leader Richard Gephardt voting to support Clinton. The Senate has now also condemned the clemency, 95-2.

Not a single person I have spoken with in New York, not a single columnist I have read, believes that Bill and Hillary did not discuss the clemency offer to the FALN (the Spanish acronym for Armed Forces of National Liberation) before the White House announced it. In fact, Bill and Hillary discuss all the political angles of everything. That is about the only thing that keeps them talking to

one another.

Obviously, the play was intended to pander to the substantial number of Puerto Rican voters in New York City, whom Hillary needs as part of her base support if she is to win the Senate seat. But the thing blew up in their faces like an FALN bomb when the outrage made it clear that the release of the terrorists would cost her more votes upstate and in the suburbs than she could possibly win in the city through the scheme. So, after initially supporting clemency, Hillary quickly withdrew it, (displeasing Puerto Rican leaders to whom she is now "reaching out.")

In New York, it escaped no one's attention that a cop blinded by the FALN is named Rich Pastorella, and that a young man whose father was murdered is named Joe Connor. Just wait for the GOP TV commercials next year.

The terrorists themselves offer the Clintons small comfort as well. Immediately after driving out of prison in a flashy, gold-colored Mercedes, and let's believe that this gets on television, Ricardo Jimenez appeared on Tim Russert's Sunday "Meet the Press" show on NBC. Russert directed tough and specific questions at him. It was clear that Jimenez has no remorse for the 130 bombings that killed six and maimed scores more.

When Russert brought up the infamous bombing of historic Fraunces Tavern in the Wall Street area and asked Jimenez whether he felt remorse about the hapless diners maimed and

killed there, Jimenez - get this - blamed the proprietors of Fraunces Tavern for not taking unspecified precautions. In fact, Jimenez presented himself as a "freedom fighter" and blamed FALN violence on the United States for "terrorizing" Puerto Rico. He did not answer at all when Russert pointed out that the FALN "independence" position received only 3 percent of the Puerto Rican vote in the recent referendum. This was a portrait of a murdering fanatic.

On Sept. 13, Ida Luz Rodriguez, another released terrorist, announced in San Juan, Puerto Rico, that the released FALN members would appear at a mass rally. This will specifically violate the terms of their parole. "Being in jail has not broken my spirit," she shouted. I wonder whether William Morales will show up at the rally in San Juan. A former FALN bomb maker, he was blown up when one of his bombs went off prematurely, and he lost both his hands. Fleeing, he found ready asylum in China. No doubt he would be welcomed as a hero among those Clinton has released.

In most Clintonian operations, there is usually just an extra bit of sleaze, and this has become their signature. The White House initially listed Cardinal John O'Connor of New York as favoring clemency. Immediately, this was denied by the cardinal, and the New York diocese made public a letter he had written on the matter. The letter showed the White House claim to be false.

Thrashing around, Clinton declared that the terrorists had

been convicted on the basis of "guilt by association." Yes, McCarthysm!

Clinton thus smeared the juries, judges, indeed the whole judicial system that convicted them. Lie, lie, smear, smear. Welcome to Clintonland.

Now, seeking a New York residence to which Hillary can commute from the White House while running for the Senate, the Clintons picked up a \$1.35-million mansion in Westchester County. To do this — in violation of a prohibition on federal officials receiving gifts — they got a mortgage loan for that sum from Terry McAuliffe, a real estate millionaire and Democratic fund-raiser who basically sold "access" to Clinton. It should surprise no one that McAuliffe is the subject of allegations that he was part of a money-laundering scheme in which the Teamsters Union funneled hundreds of thousands of dollars to the Democratic National Committee.

McAuliffe deposited the Clinton mortgage loan money in Banker's Trust at a low interest rate. The Bank, by lending the money to others at a much higher rate, will then share that profit with the Clintons, to the tune of about \$1,000 per month. This is much better than the famous cattle-futures rake-off Hillary pulled back in Arkansas. But then Clinton was only a governor.

I doubt that anyone will fondly remember the Clinton White House as "Camelot." Sleaze Central will do.

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Education about dog safety can save lives

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

OBEDIENCE CLASSES

Trellis Lucas wants to educate the public, especially children, about safety around dogs.

And she thinks this week, observed as National Dog Week, is a good time to do it. Lucas, a member and obedience teacher with the Big Spring Kennel Club, said education is key to dogs and people getting along.

"You should teach your kids respect and courtesy around dogs, and that they don't approach a strange dog, just as they don't talk to strangers," said Lucas, who owns two large German Shepherds and a Skipper Key.

She often competes in dog shows with her obedience-trained pets, who have won numerous awards.

Dog owners should never leave their pet unsupervised with a child — any child, she added.

"I don't ever leave my dogs, which are all obedience-trained, alone with my own grandchildren," Lucas said.

Aggression depends on many factors, but size is not one of them, she said.

"Even the littlest Chihuahua can get aggressive." The problem, she added, is that people think they know how their dog will react in any situation.

"People forget that dogs are carnivorous animals, not little people in cute fur coats," Lucas said. "People are so surprised sometimes when their dog shows aggression. They say, 'But he's my best friend.'"

Your dog is your best friend, she said, but he will respond to you (and other people) as he would to another dog. He does not understand human rela-

tionships and rules of behavior.

Leaving a dog and a child together, Lucas said, is "like leaving two 2-year-olds to supervise each other."

If you feel threatened by an aggressive dog, Lucas said don't make eye contact. The dog would see that as a challenge.

Running is also a bad idea, she said, since it triggers the instinct to chase.

Instead, Lucas said, don't turn your back, but slowly walk away. If the dog attacks anyway, she said you must use force and aggression to cause it to back down.

"A dog will flee from something more intimidating than itself," she said. "Yell as loud as you can, be threatening. You have to come across as more terrifying than the dog."

Dog packs are a different problem, she said, advising people to call animal control anytime they see more than two dogs running together.

"What one starts, all join in," Lucas said. "That's where the trouble is with packs."

If your dog bites someone, investigate possible causes first, she said. There are often reasons for a dog to bite,



Trellis Lucas, a dog obedience instructor, has raised these two German Shepherds and trained numerous other dogs. She will be teaching dog and puppy obedience classes through the Big Spring Kennel Club next month.

including fear and aggression. A chained or tied dog will bite more often, she added, because it cannot escape torment.

"That dog is defenseless," Lucas said. "Anything can attack it, whether it be kids going by throwing rocks, or whatever. The constant teasing makes a dog aggressive because his reaction to fear is fight or flight. A tied dog can't flee."

If you must secure your dog with a rope or chain, do so for a short time, Lucas added. Day

after day tied up is a prescription for trouble, she said.

Another important aspect of dog ownership is spaying and neutering — vital to making a good pet. Males will lose the urge to wander, and females will develop a better temperament, Lucas said.

Plus, you won't have the possibility of adding to the population of unwanted pets. And Lucas added spaying and neutering will protect the family dog from certain types of cancer.

Lucas said the best dogs are those trained to respect and obey their owners. Obedience training is the key to good behavior, she said.

The Big Spring Kennel Club will offer obedience training classes for the public starting Oct. 14. Six weeks of Thursday-evening classes will cost \$40, for dogs of all ages.

Call Rusty, 264-6427, for more information and to register.

"Your dog is never too young or too old to become a better dog," Lucas said.

No-showers policy in P.E. reflects changes in our culture

QUESTION: We have a very athletic junior high school boy who loves every kind of physical activity.

He gets most of his exercise in a PE class every morning, but I happen to know that he doesn't shower afterward. The school no longer makes him or the other kids do it. When I was a student we were required to clean up after sweating in the gym. How come this is no longer considered necessary?



DR. JAMES DOBSON

DR. DOBSON: Like you, I was required to shower after every gym class. The coach would look us over to make sure we were clean before sending us on our way. Students who didn't shower didn't pass. But those days are just about over.

The reason is because junior high students are so sensitive about their bodies today that it is very painful for them to have to strip in front of one another. They vary so much in development at that age that some are grown-up adults and others are still little prepubescent kids. It is nightmarish for the immature youngster to have to put his or her body on display in front of the wolf pack. They would tear him to pieces. Others feel fat or skinny or hairy or (fill in the blank). Increasingly, they resist having to take it all off in the locker room.

When I was a school psychologist, I met with a high school sophomore who absolutely refused to shower. His recalcitrance violated district policy, and I was asked to identify his problem. After talking to this boy and seeing how vulnerable he was to the ridicule of his peers, I agreed that he should not be required to humiliate himself five days a week. Twenty years ago, this lad was an exception. Now, given the body-consciousness of our culture, his attitude is common.

Another factor is that coaches and teachers have become leery of false charges of sexual abuse. Even if the charges are untrue, a person's entire career could go down the drain just by the suggestion that he or she was enjoying looking at the kids. This is another reason mandatory showers in schools are being phased out.

The result? Teachers have to work in a classroom full of sweaty adolescents who smell like a gymnasium — or worse.

QUESTION: Some educators have said we should eliminate report cards and academic marks. Do you think this is a good idea?

DR. DOBSON: No. I believe academic marks are valuable for students in the third grade or higher. They reinforce and reward the child who has achieved in school and serve as

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Reading wills can establish family relationships of the past

A co-worker, Larry White, asked if I knew the difference between in-laws and out-laws. When I asked what the difference is, he said, "Out-laws are wanted." He said this in fun, but that is a common belief — that most people do not get along with their in-laws.

In reading old court records we can sometimes get an idea of just how one felt about his in-laws. In the case of the will of George Beasley, dated 10th Feb. 1829 of Fairfield County, S.C. Mr. Beasley apparently felt close to his sons-in-law for he phrases his will in a positive manner to both of them, who were probably brothers themselves.

This is from the will proved on Jan. 22, 1833, in book 13, page 422, apartment 41, file 635, Fairfield County, S.C.

In the name of God amen...I, George Beasley of South Carolina and Fairfield District: being of sound, and disposing mind and memory, but weak in body, and calling to mind the uncertainty of life, and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to blessed me with...

I leave and bequeath to my wife Molley Beasley to be freely possessed and enjoyed by her during her life and at her death to be disposed of by her, as she may think proper. I also allow my said wife a comfortable sup-

port out of the profits of the plantation whereon I now live. To be furnished her by my son-in-law Benjamin Corder

executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other and former wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

Since son-in-laws are usually only mentioned as the spouse of the daughter and seldom left property in their own name unless well thought of, it is reasonable to think that his sons-in-law, especially Benjamin Corder, was well thought of.

In the will of another relative, a Massey, he went to the trouble to expressly state that his son-in-law was in no way to profit any from the monies left to his daughter, the wife of Samuel P. Rawls. This Rawls is not related to me, and is merely a coincidence he married a relative of mine that was not a Rawls. Massey made it clear that no monies were to be used to pay any debts relating to his son-in-law Samuel P. Rawls.

Clues like this help to establish the atmosphere of family relations. They can explain why some families did not associate and drift apart. I, myself, get along great with my in-laws; they are all supportive and are willing to help me whenever it is needed. I appreciate this very much.

And lastly I do constitute and appoint my said wife executrix



BOBBY RAWLS

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It's become crowded at the top for TV drama

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Has prime time returned for the television drama series? David E. Kelley, creator of this year's Emmy winner, "The Practice," thinks so.

Kelley said it's a sign of good health for TV dramas when there are too many worthy shows to fit into the slate of five Emmy nominees for best dramatic series.

When the half-hour sitcom reigned just a few years ago and some critics were writing obituaries for hour-long series, the Emmys had to pad the drama category just to fill up the nominations, said Kelley, whose courtroom show "The Practice" won best drama for the second year in a row.

Kelley also scored an Emmy first: He won the comedy category, too, with "Ally McBeal," an hour-long comic series with dramatic undertones.

"I do feel that right now it's a pretty strong year for the one-hour form," Kelley said.

In the years when "L.A. Law" was a perennial favorite for best dramatic series, there generally were only three or four sure nominations, with another program or two thrown in to round out the category, Kelley said.

"Now, it's not the case," he said. "There's going to be one or two or three good dramas left off just because there are so many."

Primetime TV today is

loaded with perennial contenders such as "ER," "Law & Order" and "NYPD Blue." All three are previous best drama winners that lost for the second straight year to "The Practice."

One of last year's nominees, "The X-Files," was pushed out of the running this time by "The Sopranos," the first cable series nominated for best dramatic show.

"We're probably in a golden age for the hour-long series drama," said Gerald Isenberg, a former producer who teaches television and film at the University of Southern California.

A handful of creative producers such as Kelley, "Law & Order's" Dick Wolf and Steven Bochco, who created "Hill Street Blues," "L.A. Law" and "NYPD Blue," have been heavily responsible for revitalizing the hour-long drama.

Dennis Franz, who won his fourth Emmy for best actor in a drama series for "NYPD Blue," said he cannot recall when there were so many good dramatic shows on television.

"When 'NYPD' first came on in '93, there was not a lot of hope for hour dramas at that time," Franz said. "The interest seemed to be going toward the half-hour shows."

The pendulum has begun to swing the other way from the days when half-hour situation comedies ruled.

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The 1999-2000 Garden City High School varsity cheerleaders are: front row, left to right, Chelsea Schwartz, Bonnie Peizel, Dendra Maxie and Dendra Hirt. Back row, left to right are Summer Eoff and Jill Hoelscher. At UCA camp this summer, they were named one of four superior squads, received all superior ribbons and the spirit stick. They received second in the dance category at the recent "Battle of the Cheerleaders."

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CANTERBURY, 1700 LANCASTER, WILL have its Fall Festival on Thursday, Sept. 30, from 6-9 p.m. It will include a hot dog supper, entertainment, cake walk, go fishing booth and more.

BIG SPRING JUNIOR HIGH will host a Scholastic book fair Sept. 27-Oct. 1. Students, parents and teachers can purchase old favorite books along with new titles, including Newberry and Caldecott award winners. Proceeds will help buy books for the school library. Call 264-4135 for more information.

East Texas school offers home-taught alternative

VILLAGE MILLS (AP) — Three five-gallon buckets of pig and goat feed sit just behind a closed barn door in back of the tiny New Beginnings' schoolhouse.

They're Ashley Thornell's school supplies.

Her classroom is a farm animal holding pen and her school locker a barn.

Each day, the high school junior opens the barn door about an hour before her 8 a.m. class.

The future veterinarian still gets nervous, even five years into this early morning ritual.

"Chicken snakes get in there sometimes, and they stand straight up," Thornell said, raising her hand to her shoulder to show just how high up.

Thornell always opens the door anyway. She does it the way most people remove Band-Aids.

All in a second or two, she takes a deep breath, yanks on the handle and jerks the door wide open. She stares in and then says, "Whew."

No snakes this time.

But Thornell still has to deal with a snappy goat named Pippy, not to mention Porkchop, a pig so porky its stomach drags on the ground whenever she does manage to plod around the pen.

Thornell said it's not her fault the pig's so big.

"I only feed her one scoop a day," she said, not talking about ice cream.

Thornell also tends to a sick turkey, three caged rabbits, a nervous chicken — possibly also worried about what's behind that barn door — and a turtle named Lucy with a taste for worms and a habit of climbing fences, then plopping off.

"I love all these animals," Thornell said.

It's hard for her to talk seriously about her unusual brand of hands on education here at New Beginnings. "No ma'am! No ma'am!" she keeps yelling at Pippy, the goat ramming its curled little horns into the barn door for food.

For fun, Pippy likes to ram peoples' shins. Thornell has the biceps to prove it.

"She's the funniest goat we've ever had," Thornell still said of Pippy.

It's not a statement that would be said by most high school juniors of their favorite class. But taking care of a goat named Pippy isn't part of most curriculums either.

Thornell and her younger brother, Corban, a seventh-grader, are typical of the students here at the New Beginnings Christian School, which looks like a typical modest one-story family home.

Parents pay \$150 to \$160 per month tuition for individualized learning, year-round courses and Christian teachings at the private school that operates from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

School officials add that some parents no doubt also want to buffer their children from well-publicized problems at other schools — from shootings in Colorado to bomb threats in Port Arthur.

So, Ashley and Corban Thornell trade Friday night football games and lockers for afternoon kickball and their own cubicles, which the teachers here call "offices."

Office space is becoming harder to find at New Beginnings.

Owner Barbara McPherson, a former teacher in Woodville, doesn't advertise because the school is approaching its enrollment cap of 50 students.

By "word of mouth," she said, enrollment has climbed from six children home-schooled in her living room in 1990 to 40 students today.

Jerry Mintz, director of the New York-based Alternative Education Resource Organization, said it's part of a coordinated national trend in education.

"People are taking things back into their own hands," he said.

He expects the nation's 1.5 million home-school programs and 1,200 charter schools to keep growing.

McPherson plans to build an addition to accommodate more students next year.

It's a big contrast to when she started the school 10 years ago.

McPherson began the school after she retired from teaching at St. Paul's Episcopal school in Woodville. She started schooling six students at her home.

"Then we just started getting too big for the living room," she said. "My husband had to build this place next door to get us out of there."

McPherson attributes the rise in enrollment to problems in public schools, although she adds that her school is not better, "just different."

"Violence in schools is a big concern for parents now," McPherson said. "It can happen anywhere. It can happen here, but there's less of a chance of it happening here."

It's a bold statement. She said it reflects more on the school's religious foundation than its idyllic setting.

McPherson stumbled on religion like she did her schoolhouse, by chance.

At 11, she overheard a blind man preaching near where she lived in Beaumont at the corner of Fourth and Roberts streets.

Nobody else in her family attended church services, but she took a city bus downtown each Sunday.

Her faith wavered in her teen years until, at 17, McPherson was diagnosed with cancer. She prayed and survived.

A few years later, McPherson was struck with meningitis. She prayed and survived.

Doctors told McPherson she would never have children because of those health problems. She prayed and had a son and daughter.

She committed herself to God at 25, and often draws on her faith while teaching.

Specialists told her one student at St. Paul's would never be able to read.

When McPherson tried to get the boy to write down A-B-C on paper, he drew squiggly lines all over the page. He seemed unable to stop his pencil.

"The Lord put a head on his shoulders, so I knew he had it in him to read," McPherson said. It was just going to take me a little longer to teach him how. He did eventually learn.

"I don't care how long it takes, as long as they learn."

The most striking aspect of New Beginnings may not be its goats or pigs with funny names or even its small classrooms with four or eight students.

It's the isolation. The school is surrounded by farmland and timber — just outside of the Wildwood lake resort — three miles off Highway 69 down a winding, narrow, tree-lined road.

When giving directions, the school secretary said turn off Highway 69 at W.O.'s Friendly Tavern, a local hangout filled with pickups parked out front at 3 p.m. on a weekday.

Down the road a ways is the school.

Inside the front door, a trophy sits on a small table. The school won second place in a co-ed volleyball tournament. Above it hangs an accreditation certificate from a private schools' association in Florida. The school is not accredited by the state of Texas.

Outside the back door, two boys with their heads down furiously rub erasers all over the pages of their workbooks.

The boys failed their social studies tests on the Bill of Rights. It requires both to leave the classroom for the picnic table benches, where they erase three weeks of work to start all over again. Neither is very happy.

"We don't take grades below an 80 here," McPherson said.

ODDS-N-ENDS

PITTSBURGH (AP) — College students upset with the design of their arts and recreation building are beaming pictures of Adolf Hitler and World War II German soldiers onto its outside wall.

The five Carnegie Mellon University art students created a project in which eight slides are shown intermittently on a 600-square-foot wall at the Purnell Center for the Arts. Slides show buildings in Nazi Germany, German troops and images of Hitler addressing soldiers.

Some have criticized the building's bland exterior saying it looks too much like Nazi-era buildings in Germany. That's the idea of the protest, said Craig Vogel, an arts dean.

"They in no way meant to glorify the Third Reich," Vogel said. "It's a criticism of the architecture."

Eric Feldman, a Jewish student, doesn't see it that way.

"It's horrifying," he said. "You feel like you're walking through some sick Nazi party."

The students received a grant for the work as part of a campus arts festival. Artists have agreed to station someone near the display to explain its meaning.

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a nudge to the youngster who hasn't. It is important, though, that grades be used properly. They have the power to create or to destroy motivation.

I've always felt that through the elementary years, a child's grades should be based on what he does with what he has. In other words, I think we should grade according to ability. A slow child should be able to succeed in school just as certainly as a gifted youngster. If he struggles and sweats to achieve, he should somehow be rewarded, even if his work falls short of an absolute standard. By the same token, a gifted child should not be given A's just because she is smart enough to excel without working.

Again, the primary purpose in grading in the elementary school years should be to reward academic effort.

However, as the student goes into high school, the purpose of

grading shifts. Those who take college preparatory courses must be graded on an absolute standard. An "A" in chemistry or calculus is accepted by college admission boards as a symbol of excellence, and secondary teachers must preserve that meaning. Students with lesser academic skills need not take those difficult courses.

To repeat, marks for children can be the teacher's most important motivational tool provided they are used correctly. Therefore, the recommendation that schools eliminate grading is a move away from discipline in the classroom.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. James C. Dobson's "Focus on the Family" appears each Thursday as a cooperative effort of Scenic Mountain Medical Center and the Big Spring Herald. Letters to Dr. Dobson may be sent to P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo., 80903.

RAWLS

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John Wayne is the one person thought of by many people when it comes to our patriotism. He was not afraid to speak out of America and publicly show support. However, there are many people who prove their loyalty every day whose stories go untold. Next week I will try to tell about our ancestors who gave so much for our freedoms.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Bobby Rawls writes a weekly column on genealogy for the Big Spring Herald. To contact him, call the life! desk at 263,7331, ext. 236 and leave a message, or e-mail to: jwalker@crcom.net.

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IN BRIEF

UGSA winding down fall ball registration

Registration for the Big Spring United Girls Softball Association's fall program will end Tuesday.

Any girl interested in playing softball is encouraged to take part in the fall program, which stages an abbreviated slate of games in October.

Entry fees are \$25 and girls interested in the program can register at MicroZone Services, Sound Decision or at All-Star Sports.

BSHS softball boosters set Monday meeting

The Big Spring Softball Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center's conference room.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

Coahoma Little League slates officer elections

Coahoma's Little League organization will meet to select officers for the 2000 baseball season at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Coahoma Community Center.

For more information, call Donna Mansfield at 267-5701.

Big Spring Women's Club schedules golf scramble

The Big Spring Women's Club will host a four-person scramble golf tournament Saturday, Oct. 9, at the Big Spring Country Club.

Entry fees are \$40 per person and play will begin with a shotgun start at 9 a.m.

For more information, call Kellie Wash at 263-0987.

Knights of Columbus join CGA in sponsoring toumey

The Chicano Golf Association of Big Spring and the Knights of Columbus will sponsor the second annual Father Delaney Charity Golf Tournament on Sunday, Sept. 26, at the Comanche Trail Golf Course.

Tea times for the four-person scramble begins at 10 a.m. and all teams must be registered by 10:30 a.m.

Fees for the tournament at \$25 per player, but do not include green fees.

For more information, call the pro shop at 264-2366.

Footaction USA offering college scholarships

For a 10th consecutive year, Irving-based Footaction USA will offer \$100,000 in college scholarships to high school seniors next year.

The deadline for applications is Jan. 15 and candidates will be judged on the basis of financial need, class rank, standardized test scores and participation in sports programs.

A total of 84 scholarships ranging from \$10,000 to \$1,000 will be awarded.

For more information, call 1-800-521-2123.

Dallas charter school draws UIL sanctions

AUSTIN (AP) — The University Interscholastic League on Wednesday disqualified Renaissance Charter School of Irving from district honors in athletics because of recruiting violations by the boys' basketball program.

The violations occurred while the school was already on probation for two years. In February, the school was forced to forfeit all of its boys' basketball game for violating UIL residence rules and having a 19-year-old on its roster.

The latest violations occurred when the school published a newspaper ad seeking varsity basketball players.

Wednesday's action allows the school to play the 1999-2000 season, but its teams will not be eligible for the playoffs.

ON THE AIR

Television

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
6:30 p.m. — Toronto Blue Jays at Boston Red Sox, FKS, Ch. 29.
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
7 p.m. — Clemson at Virginia Tech, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Orioles shake off losing Ripken with 7-4 win over Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Baltimore Orioles are finishing with a sprint, on the verge of a club-record winning streak.

But if they're going to set the record, they'll have to do it without team leader Cal Ripken Jr.

Ripken's chase for 3,000 career hits was put on hold until next spring when he was scheduled for back surgery today.

Meanwhile, the Orioles return home for today's doubleheader against Oakland carrying a 13-game winning streak, matching the second-longest in team history following Wednesday night's 7-4 victory over the Texas Rangers.

Ripken was hitting well in his previous 10 games, going 18-for-38 (.474). But Ripken had back spasms overnight and

traveled to Cleveland on Wednesday to have the back examined.

"This was not going to go away by itself," Orioles reliever Jesse Orosco said. "So it's good that he's having it taken care of."

During the game, Orioles general manager Frank Wren announced that Ripken would have surgery in Cleveland to relieve pressure on a nerve that has been the source of pain.

"If he gets his back taken care of, he might have 1,000 more hits left in him," Orioles manager Ray Miller said. "It's been bothering him all year. We wish him the best."

Ripken made his first two trips to the disabled list this season, and now he'll have to wait until next season to get the nine hits he needs to join the 3,000 club. "It's sad for him to be so close,"

Orioles closer Mike Timlin said. "But it's much better for him to be healthy. If you don't have your health, you can't play well."

Ripken doubled Tuesday night against the Rangers to give him 2,991 hits, and the Orioles were hopeful he could complete the climb to 3,000 this season.

"It would have been nice for him to come back on his own terms with no pressure," Orioles starter Scott Erickson said. "It would have been nice to get it done and get it out of the way this year."

Baltimore's winning streak matches the second-longest in team history, trailing only a 14-game string from Aug. 12-27, 1973. The Orioles also won 13 in a row from May 31-June 14, 1978.

"We're not really worrying about the streak," said Timlin, who pitched the ninth for his 26th save. "We're just try-

ing to go out strong and pick it up again next year."

Texas, which leads Oakland by 51/2 games in the AL West, lost its third in a row. The Rangers' magic number for clinching the AL West is at six after the second-place A's lost 5-4 to Minnesota.

"We're frustrated, trying to make something happen," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "We want to hit the five-run homer or get the quadruple play. With 10 games left, this is not the time to be playing physically and mentally tired."

Charles Johnson and Brady Anderson hit consecutive homers in the fifth inning. Albert Belle hit his 35th homer and Jesus Garcia hit his first.

Erickson (15-11) gave up four runs in the first inning, but recovered to win his fifth straight start.

Time for a little pay back?

Steers feel they have something to prove Friday

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

It's not hard to imagine that Big Spring's Steers might be looking for a little revenge when they close out their pre-district football schedule Friday by playing host to Abilene Wylie's Bulldogs.

After all, this is a veteran Steers team that can remember all too well the 34-7 thrashing the Bulldogs dealt them a year ago — a loss that was nothing short of embarrassing and prompted wholesale changes in Big Spring's offensive and defensive schemes.

That loss, according to Steers head coach Dwight Butler, was not only the low point of the 1998 season, but might well be the most troubling moment of his nine-year tenure at the Big Spring helm.

"That was our darkest hour last year ... maybe the darkest since I've been here," Butler recalls. "Nobody had a good taste in their mouth after that one."

"It wasn't so much that we lost, but the way we lost," he added. "We were embarrassed ... the kids and the coaches. We just weren't very good that night."

"Most of these kids remember that game ... you don't forget nights like that," Butler continued. "You try to put it behind you and I think we did, but none of them forgot. That doesn't mean we're looking for revenge, though. We just need to show them that we can play the game of football."

Unlike the Steers, however, relatively few of this year's Bulldogs played a role in 1998's rout.

Wylie returns just four offensive starters from a year ago and just two defensive regulars.

But the Bulldogs are anything but a team in the process of rebuilding.

Instead, Wylie enters Friday's game with a 2-1 record, the only blemish coming a week ago when Snyder's Tigers delivered a 27-14 defeat that knocked the Bulldogs from the No. 9 spot they'd occupied in the Associated Press Class 3A schoolboy football poll.

That loss, Butler notes, will make the Bulldogs a dangerous foe when they arrive for Friday's 7:30 p.m. kickoff at Memorial Stadium.

"Their biggest problem is that they lost a lot of kids on their offense and it takes time for that to jell," Butler explained. "They've gotten better every week to some extent. In fact, every other week they've been really good. Unfortunately, this is the other week. They're due to break out after struggling a little against Snyder."

In the last two games which Steers' coaches have scouted, the Bulldogs have



Big Spring quarterback Lance Brock wheels and prepares to hand the ball to tailback Colby Ford during the Steers' 38-22 win over Lubbock Estacado last week. Brock and the unbeaten Steers will play host to Abilene Wylie's Bulldogs at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

been extremely balanced offensively, running the ball 60 times and throwing it 60 more.

What's more, Butler notes that Wylie employs a complex offense that is designed to confuse defenses.

"They've always been a dangerous passing team," Butler said, "and they're capable of being a problem throwing the ball. They haven't had as much success throwing the ball so far this year, because they're trying to break in a new quarterback and new wide receivers."

"But they're a lot like Lubbock Estacado in that respect ... they rely a great deal on the big play," he added. "They just keep throwing a lot of things at you ... trying to confuse you both offensively and defensively."

"Sooner or later, they manage to break something big on you ... a big pass or they've got a couple of really quick running backs that can break the big play on

you," Butler continued. "Defensively, they're extremely quick and really attack the line of scrimmage well. In fact, they're probably going to be the quickest defense we've faced this year."

As a result, Butler says he and his staff have spent a great deal of time this week making sure that the Steers are prepared for all the different formations and defensive schemes the Bulldogs are expected to employ Friday.

"We've just got to make sure we're sound at recognizing what they're doing ... make sure we're not in trouble before they snap the ball, or before we snap it."

It is that ability to be mentally prepared for an opponent that Butler says is one of the primary differences between this year's Steers edition and the 1998 team.

"We played a lot of young kids last year and that's paying some dividends this year," he noted. "We're making good decisions on both sides of the ball."

Lehman says it's time U.S. grabbed Cup

BROOKLINE, Mass. (AP) — One by one, they avoided the issue like a 3-foot downhill putt on a slippery green. Finally, Tom Lehman finally stepped up to say what his U.S. Ryder Cup teammates wouldn't.

"We need to win," Lehman said. "That's all there is to it."

With just two wins in the last 14 years, there is more than just the sense of urgency talked about by captain Ben Crenshaw for the U.S. team that begins play Friday in the 33rd Ryder Cup.

Loaded with talent and facing a European team full of Ryder Cup rookies, this might be the best chance the Americans ever get to break the recent European domination of the series.

And no one knows it better than Lehman, a member of the last two losing teams.

"I fully expect us to play our best golf, and I expect us to win," Lehman said. "I have full and complete confidence in the other 11 guys on this team and myself. And I think it's a must-win for us."

To get that win, the American team must avoid on the small greens of The Country Club what it did two years ago at Valderrama — self-destructing in the alternate shot and best-ball matches that precede Sunday's singles.

And that has put the pressure on Crenshaw to come up with pairings from his star-studded team that take advantage of what to most professional golfers are unfamiliar formats.

"It's a terribly hard and complex thing to do," Crenshaw said. "I certainly have some things in mind. My problem now is leaving four guys out the first day because I feel a lot of guys are playing well. I feel all 12 of our guys are playing well."

Tiger Woods against teen sensation Sergio Garcia, of course, is the match most golf fans want to see on Sunday with the Ryder Cup on the line.

That may not happen, but it's entirely possible that Woods and David Duval might be paired on Friday or Saturday against the likes of Garcia and countryman Jose Maria Olazabal.

"It's certainly a possibility," Crenshaw said. "I'd say it's very safe that both are going to play a lot. I don't know if you'll see that pairing on the first day, though."

Milestone a reminder that Emmitt should be savored

IRVING (AP) — To truly appreciate Emmitt Smith, take a look at some of the NFL's other great running backs.

Barry Sanders is retired, at least for now. Jamal Anderson is hurt and out for the season. Terrell Davis is struggling without John Elway.

And Smith just keeps going.

With 108 yards against Atlanta, Smith upped his career rushing total to 12,783, passing Tony Dorsett (12,739) for fourth in NFL history. He's about six games from outrunning Eric Dickerson (13,259) for No. 3.

The Dallas Cowboys star has run for at least 100 yards in both games this year and he's scored three touchdowns, boosting his NFL rushing TD record to 128.

And to think, people were saying he was washed up two years ago after career lows of 1,074 yards and four touchdowns.

"He's a real competitor, a fighter," Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman said. "He's still got a lot left in the tank." Against the Falcons, Smith had his

longest run in two years, a 33-yarder, and he proved he's still durable with 29 carries. Dallas is 15-1 when he has at least that many attempts.

Smith passed Dorsett on a 7-yard touchdown run in the second quarter of Dallas' 24-7 victory Monday night.

Dorsett, who was at the game to help celebrate the Cowboys' 40th anniversary, was among the first to greet Smith on the sidelines.

"He said, 'Congratulations,' and I said 'Thank you,'" Smith said. "Then I kept on moving to go sit down. I didn't even realize what he was saying congratulations for."

Smith wasn't seated long when he heard the good news over the Texas Stadium loudspeaker. As fans cheered, he went back to Dorsett, hugged him and whispered a few words.

"I had to go tell him in his ear how much I greatly appreciate what he's done, the standards he has set," said Smith, who last season broke Dorsett's team rushing record. "I wanted him to

know that I greatly, really, truly in my heart appreciate him as a person, as a Dallas Cowboy and as a football player."

Smith wasn't done with his thank-yous.

He also sought Daryl Johnston, Smith's lead blocker in 131 of his 142 games, but probably no longer. Johnston re-injured a neck injury in the opener and won't return this season. Although he'll try coming back next year, the odds are long.

"Not having him out there is different for me because this guy has led me for all these years and all those yards," said Smith, who came into the league in 1990, a year after Johnston. "Not to have him is like losing a brother almost. That's an unfortunate part of the business. He's truly going to be missed by me."

Tim Lester, who played in coach Chan Gailey's offense when both were in Pittsburgh, was signed last week to replace Johnston and made his first start against Atlanta. He wasn't the only new blocker Smith had.

Tackle Erik Williams strained a quadriceps while running from the tunnel to the field just before kickoff. Tony Hutson started in his place. Fellow reserve Ben Fricke took over at guard in the second quarter when Everrett McIver strained his right hamstring.

Gailey said he still considers the pair doubtful for the Oct. 3 game at home against Arizona.

Not surprisingly, Smith's two best runs Monday night went to the left side.

On his first touchdown, Smith went around the end and had to decide whether to take the short route between the tight end and linebacker Keith Brookings or try going around Brookings to the outside. Smith's hesitation was enough to freeze Brookings and make the outside dash an easy one.

In the second quarter, Smith — who has never been mistaken for a speedster — again went outside and clung upfield 37 yards. It was his longest run since a 44-yarder against Arizona two games in 1997.

FISHING REPORT

Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Sept. 22. (Report also available on Web at www.tdfrshing.com.)

CENTRAL
BROWNWOOD: Water stained; 75 to 80 degrees; Black bass are good on topwater and shad colored Bass Assassins with chartreuse dyed tails fished in 2 to 10 feet. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished around the boat docks in the evening in 10 to 12 feet. White bass are excellent with fish in the 2 to 2.5 pound range on Rat-L-Traps and Chug Bugs (you can still chase the schools most of the day). There are only 2 ramps open: a four lane at the dam and a two lane at the state park. The ramp at Flat Rock Park is closed but the store and the park are still open.

BUCHANAN: Water clear; 82 degrees; 1009.39'; Black bass are fair to good on pearl/white suspending Fat Free Shad Guppies worked along lake points and rocky bluffs in 4 to 12 feet and silver 1/4oz. Terminator buzzbaits and 5" alive Magic Shad with chartreuse tails fished in the stump fields and in the creeks. Crappie are fair on minnows fished under lighted docks. White bass are fair on 1/8oz. chrome/blue back Spin Traps, shad-type crank baits and vertically jigged Horizon Perch Minnows. Striped bass are fair to good on Pencil Poppers, SpitFire topwaters and drifting live perch or shad over sand bars and rock piles (trawlers taking 20" to 24" strippers on bucktail jigs with trailers). Channel and blue catfish are good on trotlines with live or cut bait. Yellow catfish in 15 pounds are good on live perch and goldfish.

SOUTH
AMISTAD: Water clear; 84 degrees; 36.5' low; Black bass are very good on jigs and soft plastics fished around the main lake hydrilla (some topwater action early). Crappie are slow on minnows fished at night. White bass are fair to good on slabs (look for the birds to find schools) and on minnows fished at night under the Hwy 90 Bridge. Striped bass are slow. Catfish are scattered but fair on shrimp, cut baits and night-crawlers.

WEST
ALAN HENRY: Water slightly stained; 82 degrees; Black bass are fair on topwaters, bass assassins and large dark worms fished in the coves up Big and Little Grape. No reports of Alabama Spotted bass, small mouth bass or crappie. Channel and blue catfish are good on minnows, live salamanders and stink bait fished in 20 to 25 feet across from the boat ramp. Yellow catfish are fair on perch and large minnows.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 85 degrees; 9' low; Black bass are fair on chartreuse crank baits fished near the Henrietta Bridge. Crappie are good on small minnows fished in 10 to 15 feet in the state park. White bass are good on minnows and white jigs (trying to school). Channel and blue catfish are good on dip bait and nightcrawlers fished in 18 to 20 feet. Yellow catfish are slow on trotlines baited with gold fish in 15 to 20 feet on the south end of the lake.

BRADY: Water slightly stained; 84 degrees; 14' low; Black bass are fair on plastic worms and crankbaits fished in 5 to 10 feet. Crappie are good on minnows fished in brush in 6 to 10 feet. White bass are good on crankbaits fished in 2 to 4 feet. Blue and channel catfish are fair on stink bait fished in 4 to 10 feet. No reports on yellow catfish.

COLORADO CITY: Water slightly stained; 85 degrees; 13.5' low; Black bass are poor on minnows and spinnerbaits. White bass are poor. Channel catfish are good on stink bait. Red fish are good on shrimp and shad.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water slightly stained; 80 degrees; 15' low; Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and minnows fished in 15 to 16 feet. Crappie are good on small minnows and jigs fished in 5 to 10 feet on the west side of the lake. No report on sand bass. Hybrid strippers are fair on spinnerbaits and shad fished in 5 to 7 feet. Blue catfish are good on carp and perch fished in 4 to 5 feet. Yellow catfish are good on carp, goldfish and perch fished in 4 to 5 feet.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water slightly stained on the upper end and clear on the lower end; 83 degrees; 7' low; Black bass are good on Carolina-rigged, french fries and worms fished in 4 to 8 feet around grass beds and rocky points. Crappie are good on small minnows and jigs fished in 7 to 8 feet and have been in the mouths of creeks. White bass are good on small spinners. No reports on hybrid strippers. Channel catfish are fair on jug lines baited with perch and shad fished in 15 to 20 feet. No reports of blue or yellow catfish.

KEMP: Water slightly stained; 81 degrees; 1.5' low; Black bass are poor fished in 2 to 5 feet. Sand bass are poor on minnows. Crappie are poor on minnows fished in 4 to 5 feet. Striped bass are fair on jigs and sassy shad fished in 30 to 32 feet. Blue and channel catfish are good on perch and cut bait fished around bathhouses. No reports on yellow catfish.

NASWORTHY: Water stained; 86 degrees; Black bass to 8 pounds are good on red Brush Hogs, white and chartreuse spinnerbaits and June bug worms fished in 10 to 15 feet. Crappie are good on minnows and small crankbaits fished at night under lights. White bass are good on small chrome and blue Rat-L-Traps fished near Akins point. No reports on redbait. Hybrid strippers are poor on shad, patterned crankbaits fished under lights at night. Channel and blue catfish are fair on cut bait. Yellow catfish are poor on trotlines baited with goldfish, shad and perch.

NOCONA: No fishing report available.
OAK CREEK: Water clear; 85 degrees; 12.5' low; Black bass to 8 pounds are good on spinnerbaits, crankbaits, top waters and minnows fished in 3 to 10 feet. White bass are fair on minnows and jigs fished in 5 to 10 feet. Crappie are poor on minnows and jigs fished in 5 to 15 feet. Blue and channel catfish are excellent on stink bait, minnows, cut bait and liver fished in 3 to 10 feet. Yellow catfish to are excellent on shad, goldfish, minnows, liver and cut bait fished in 3 to 12 feet.

OH. RIE: Water clear; 83 degrees; 11' low; Black bass are fair on plastic baits fished in 5 to 15 feet on points at the mouths of creeks. Crappie are good on minnows at night fished under lights along river channels in 35 feet and on the main lake. White bass are good near the dam on minnows and slabs. Catfish are poor in baited holes on stink bait fished in 35 to 55 feet.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 81 degrees; 6.20' low; Black bass to 7 pounds are fair on fluke and buzzbaits fished in 10 to 15 feet. White bass are poor on minnows fished in 10 to 20 feet and on small top waters fished early with schooling strippers. Striped bass are poor on live shad fished in 30 to 40 feet. Crappie are good on minnows and jig fished in 5 to 20 feet. Blue catfish to 20 pounds are fair on cut shad fished in 20 to 30 feet. Yellow catfish are poor on perch fished in 20 to 30 feet.

SPENCE: Water slightly stained; 83 degrees; Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and power worms (blade) and Pop R's fished on flats near structure. White bass are excellent on small crankbaits and minnows fished on the flats in front of Wildcat. No reports on crappie. Striped bass to 21 pounds are good on chartreuse jigs and pearl worms, trolling 8 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on minnows fished on sand bars on the north end of the lake. No reports on yellow catfish.

STAMPFORD: Water clear; 85 degrees; 13' low; Black bass to 8 pounds are good on crankbaits and plastics fished deep. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are fair on jigs and road-runners fished in the boils near the power plant with schooling action. Yellow catfish to 43 pounds are good on trotlines baited with perch, shad, coy and gold fish. Channel catfish are good on punch bait and cheese bait fished in 3 to 5 feet. Blue catfish are excellent drifting in 15 to 16 feet. Plans are being made to dam up California creek and make a pool to pump into Lake Stampford to keep the lake regulated. This work is to be completed by spring of 2000.

SWEETWATER: Water slightly stained; 86 degrees; 14' low; Black bass are poor on red shad worms fished in 8 to 10 feet. No report on crappie or white bass. Blue and channel catfish are excellent on shrimp and minnows fished in 5 to 6 feet. No reports of yellow catfish.

TWIN BUTTES: Water stained; 84 degrees; 35 feet low; Black bass are good on large worms and jigs pitched in cover up Middle Concho and Spring Creek. White bass are good on minnows and spinners with some schooling action. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs fished along channels in brush. Channel, blue and yellow catfish are fair on cut shad and worms.

WHITE RIVER: Water clear; 85 degrees; Black bass are poor on spinnerbaits and minnows fished shallow. Crappie are poor to fair on small minnows fished early and late. White bass are fair on minnows. No reports on walleye. Channel catfish are good on shrimp and nightcrawlers fished in the mouths on the rivers and on-aka. No reports on blue or yellow catfish.

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Joseph Henry, Father of Forecasts
Weather Service Birthday

To get the weather forecast today, all you have to do is turn on the news, look in the paper, make a phone call or check the Internet. But 150 years ago, there were no accurate daily forecasts. This changed when a famous scientist you've probably never heard of started what would become the National Weather Service.

Few people today have heard of Joseph Henry. But in the 1800s he was so famous that the well-known band director John Philip Sousa composed a march in his honor. He was so respected that he served as an adviser to telephone inventor Alexander Graham Bell and telegraph inventor Samuel F.B. Morse. When Joseph Henry died in 1878, the government shut down. The president and other top officials attended his funeral.

The first forecast
Joseph Henry started the first national weather forecasting service when he was serving as the first director of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. The Smithsonian then was a national museum and research center. He organized two groups, or networks, to help him gather information needed to make forecasts.

A network of about 150 volunteers recorded daily local weather conditions. A second network was made up of telegraph operators. They sent local weather conditions to Washington at a certain time each day. Henry said if he knew what the weather was in Cincinnati, Ohio, that morning, he could tell what it would be in Washington, D.C., that night. For the first time, newspapers were able to print daily weather forecasts.



Since the 1970s, when the weather service started using Doppler radar to track storms, the amount of warning time has more than doubled. Doppler radar can measure wind speed and direction. Regular radar cannot do this.

National Weather Service

Today the National Weather Service is a part of the U.S. government. It has about 12,000 weather stations. It issues more than 734,000 forecasts and 45,000 to 50,000 severe weather warnings a year. New technology makes it possible to make more accurate forecasts and to give storm warnings in time for people to get to safety. Satellites send in global information as they orbit the Earth. High-speed computers create models of worldwide weather patterns.

Site to see: www.education.noaa.gov

In the 1850s, tourists visited Joseph Henry's weather map at the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C., to find out conditions in their home towns. Henry also used the map to make forecasts.



Rookie Cookie's Recipe
Eggs-cellent Casserole

You'll need:
• 8 slices white bread, torn into small pieces
• 1 (8-ounce) package American cheese slices, torn into small pieces
• 1/4 cup butter or margarine, melted
• 3 eggs, beaten
• 1 teaspoon salt
• 2 cups milk
What to do:
1. Place bread pieces evenly in a greased casserole.
2. Cover with cheese.
3. Pour butter or margarine evenly on top.
4. In a medium bowl, combine remaining ingredients. Mix well.
5. Pour egg mixture over cheese.
6. Cover and bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 30 minutes.
7. Remove cover and bake another 30 minutes. Serves 6.

WEATHER SERVICE TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of the weather service are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: WEATHER, HENRY, SCIENTIST, LOCAL, INVENTION, HONOR, FORECASTS, MAP, RECORD, YEAR, STORMS, DAILY, STATIONS, WARNINGS, RADAR.

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Meet Joseph Henry

Early years
Joseph Henry's father was an alcoholic and his family was poor. When he was about 8, Joseph was sent to live with his grandmother.

He dropped out of school at about age 11 to help support his family. After his father died a couple of years later, he moved back in with his mom.

The jobs he worked at included training under a silversmith/watchmaker. He thought seriously about becoming an actor.

One day, he picked up a book on science. It changed his life. Even though he was about five years older than his classmates, he went back to school to earn his high school diploma.

After graduation, he worked as a surveyor and tutor. His high school hired him to teach math and science.

Later, even though he had no college education, Princeton, a famous university, hired him as a professor.



Joseph Henry married a cousin, Harriet Alexander. They had three girls and a boy.

The Mini Page thanks Marc Rothenberg, editor, the Joseph Henry Papers, Smithsonian Institution Archives, for help with this issue.

Find the forecast in your newspaper. Next week The Mini Page celebrates Children's Health Week.

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Joseph Henry (1797-1878) was often called the greatest American scientist since Benjamin Franklin.

Lessons for his son

When Joseph Henry was growing up, there were so many drunks and unemployed men in his neighborhood, he had to be very careful not to follow their example. He cautioned his son to be just as careful.

He also told his son that one day he and his friends were rolling stones down a hill and almost hit a man. They weren't meaning to hurt anyone.

He wanted his son to learn this lesson: Even if your intentions are not bad, bad actions can bring bad results. You have to pay attention to what you're doing, he said.

Man of many talents

Henry made important contributions in many areas, including:

- the study of sunspots.
- lighthouse foghorns and lights to help ships find their way.
- acoustics, or the study of sound.
- lighting at the U.S. Capitol.
- the Navy's Civil War effort.

At the Smithsonian

When Joseph Henry was director of the Smithsonian in 1846, it only had one building, the "castle." Henry lived there with his family.

Today it has 16 museums, a zoo, and research areas in many parts of the world. The Smithsonian Institution is the biggest museum group in the world.



The scientist

Joseph Henry was one of America's greatest scientists. But because he believed science should be given away freely, he was in no rush to claim credit for his inventions. If he had, he would be a lot more famous today.

He invented the first practical electric motor, now used in many modern items, from washing machines to hair dryers.

As a lesson for his students, he invented the first practical telegraph. Samuel Morse might not have been able to build his own telegraph if not for Henry's earlier work.

Henry and an English scientist, Michael Faraday, each discovered at the same time things about electricity that opened the door to inventions such as the doorbell and air conditioning.

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(both jokes sent in by Freda and Capriase Garrett)

Meet 'N Sync

'N Sync is made up of five guys from Orlando, Fla., who are making it big in music. The members are Lanston Bass, Chris Kirkpatrick, Joey Fatone, Justin Timberlake and JC Chasez.

Lanston is from Laurel, Miss. He sang in his seventh-grade school chorus. JC is from Washington, D.C., and likes the music of Harry Connick Jr. Joey is from Brooklyn, N.Y., and performed in many school shows. Chris is from Pittsburgh, Penn., and graduated from Valencia College in Orlando, where he studied theater. Justin is from Memphis, Tenn., and likes the Orlando Magic basketball team.

The group got its name from the last letters of their first names.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19) Last night's dreams and early-morning thoughts might be unusually significant, as you ponder what is going on with a partner. Stabilize your finances and make positive choices. Self-discipline might be necessary. Tonight: Try adding some mystery to your life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Attend meetings; network and make contacts. Another could be most distracting. Use self-discipline, eyeing

the long term. Your strength helps bosses visualize and create. They know they can count on you. Brainstorm, and share your ideas. Tonight: Where the gang is.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Gemini's instincts carry you through a problem. Recognize that others look to you for leadership and advice. Unexpected insights help you make strong, positive choices. Right now, spontaneous thinking takes you in a new direction. Tonight: In the limelight!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A friend might be stern, but he could also be right! Discuss new information, especially as to how it might affect your work situation; be ready for some unexpected developments. What you thought was another's pie-in-the-sky scheme proves to be a reality. Tonight: Escape work as quickly as possible!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You have the right answers for the boss. Working with a partner helps convince him that you have what it takes. You might still feel burdened by all that is demanded of you. Easy does it. Close your door and make sure a conversation is private. Tonight: Snuggle in.

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rules at work; be ready for the unexpected. Professionally, you know how you would like things to be. What you envision can happen! Tonight: Let another treat you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Work continues to demand your full attention; finances require handling, as well. A partner could be difficult and tumultuous. Your imagination could be creating a situation that doesn't exist. Perhaps you need to listen to others' feedback as well. Tonight: Off to the gym.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Your sense of fun comes out, even though a partner could be difficult and touchy. Understand more of what you want here. You could be unleashing a force that you might not be ready to deal with just yet. What is going on in your head might have little to do with reality. Tonight: Now you can let your imagination rule!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Anchor in and plunge through work, even if you aren't in the mood. Clear off your desk. Recognize what must get done before the weekend - because they are! Your imagination wanders as you find the mundane tedious, presently. Tonight: Spiff up the place.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Another remains stiff, and you can't make him see another side. Discuss what is really ailing him. Although you might not be able to under-

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You could be overly serious about personal matters. Loosen up about what does and doesn't work. Release a rigid attitude. Get a head start on an important project. Use your imagination. Travel to a distant place might be in the cards - if not literally, then in your mind. Tonight: Treat yourself well.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Sometimes you seem more serious than you are. Your vision opens you up to a different sense of reality. Loosen up with friends and let go of work worries. Take time to speak to that special person in your life. Share what is going on with you. Tonight: Let your magnetism speak!

BORN TODAY Actress Sheila MacRae (1923), sportscaster Jim McKay (1921), actor Anthony Newley (1931)

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Taking deceased's property is burglary plain and simple

DEAR ABBY: The letter about the ex-wife who removed property from the home of her former mother-in-law on the day of the woman's funeral prompts this letter. You were right when you advised that what the woman did qualifies as criminal activity.

Entering a dwelling in order to remove property not your own is a felony called burglary.

I would not merely call my lawyer; I would immediately notify the police before the ex-wife disposes of the property.

Having knowledge of a crime and failing to report that crime is also a violation in some jurisdictions. The irony here is that the son of the deceased may be adding to the offense by failing to notify the police.

Also, the executor of the estate has an additional duty, enforced by the probate court, to secure and properly dispose of the deceased's assets. Failing to do so is also an offense.

You knew all of this, I'm sure. I am a retired law enforcement officer, but please just sign me ... NOT A LAWYER IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEAR NOT: I was not aware of much of the information in your letter, and I'm sure it will be of interest to many people.

I received another comment about that letter from an attorney in Louisiana, who informed me that asking one's lawyer to write a letter demanding the property be returned, and threatening to call

THURSDAY- SEP. 23

Table with 24 columns representing TV channels (KMD, KPEJ, KERA, FAM, KOSA, WFAA, KWES, WTBS, UNI, DISN, NASH, TMC, SHOW, HBO, KMLM, A&E, DISC, TNT, FSN, ESPN, AMC, BET) and rows for time slots (6:30, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, 10:30, 11:30, 12:30) listing various programs.

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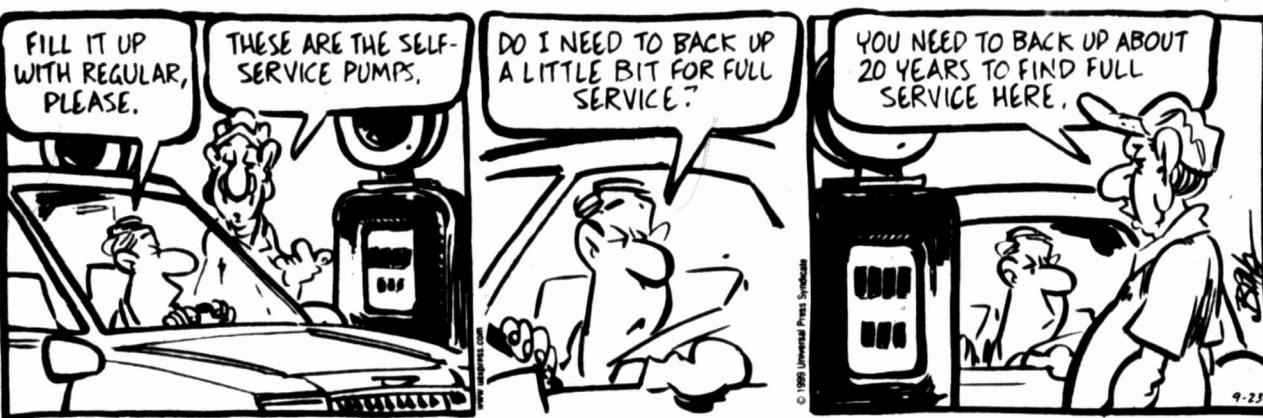
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Thursday Sept. 23, the 266th day of 1999. There are 99 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Sept. 23, 1779, during the Revolutionary War, the American warship Bon Homme Richard defeated the HMS Serapis after American commander John Paul Jones is said to have declared: "I have not yet begun to fight!"

On this date: In 63 B.C., Caesar Augustus was born in Rome. In 1642, Harvard College in Cambridge, Mass., graduated its first class.

In 1780, British spy John Andre was captured along with papers revealing Benedict Arnold's plot to surrender West Point to the British.

In 1806, the Lewis and Clark expedition returned to St. Louis from the Pacific Northwest.

In 1846, the planet Neptune was discovered by German astronomer Johann Gottfried Galle.

In 1939, Sigmund Freud, founder of psychoanalysis, died in London.

In 1952, Republican vice-presidential candidate Richard M. Nixon went on television to deliver what came to be known as the "Checkers" speech as he refuted allegations of improper campaign financing.

In 1957, nine black students who had entered Little Rock Central High School in Arkansas were forced to withdraw because of a white mob outside.

In 1962, New York's Philharmonic Hall (since renamed Avery Fisher Hall) formally opened as the first unit of the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts.

In 1973, former Argentine president Juan Peron was returned to power.

Ten years ago: President Bush, saying he was "very pleased" with talks between Secretary of State James Baker and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze, told reporters there would be a superpower summit later in the year.

Five years ago: The U.N. Security Council rewarded Yugoslavia for sealing its border with Bosnia by easing sanctions in sports, cultural exchanges and air traffic. The White House announced a shakeup involving two dozen staff members.

One year ago: The U.N. Security Council demanded a cease-fire in Kosovo and threatened further action if fighting continued. Sammy Sosa hit his 64th and 65th home runs, tying Mark McGwire for the single-season record. Federal regulators approved the merger of Citicorp and Travelers Group.

Actress Mary Frann, who played Bob Newhart's wife on TV's "Newhart," died in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age 65.

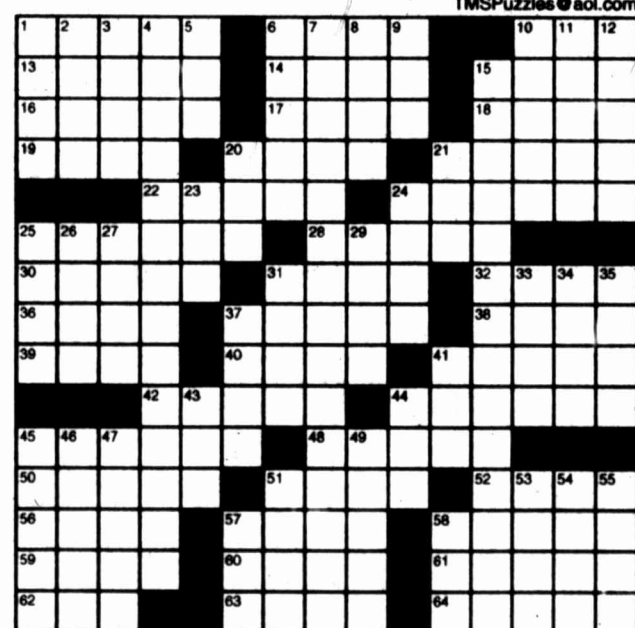
Today's Birthdays: Actor Mickey Rooney is 79. Singer Ray Charles is 69. Singer Julio Iglesias is 56. Actor Paul Petersen ("The Donna Reed Show") is 54. Actress-singer Mary Kay Place is 52. Rock star Bruce Springsteen is 50.

THE Daily Crossword

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

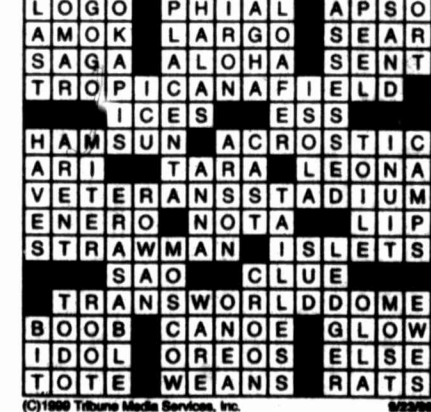
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Wednesday's Puzzle Solved



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