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WEATHER

Tonight:



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Fall Festival to offer thanks for video project

Church leaders and community members come together tonight for a fall festival and celebration of the Jesus Video Project. A multifaceted event of music, speeches and testimonies has been planned. It begins in the sanctuary of First United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. Special honors will go to ministers of the community who were instrumental in the success of the project and members of a group in Midland who donated the videos. Speakers will include Midland Mayor Bobby Burns, Big Spring Mayor Tim Blackshear and others. Music was coordinated by John Ross of First United Methodist Church and Craig Felty of Cornerstone Church. More than 1,000 people helped distribute the videos.

WHAT'S UP...

- TODAY**
- Texas Tech Ex-Students Association Big Spring Chapter, 6 p.m., Sparenberg Building, 309 S. Main.
 - Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third.
 - Gospel singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn.
 - Jesus Video Fall Festival, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church.
- TUESDAY**
- Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center.
 - Coahoma Senior Citizens luncheon, 11 a.m., Coahoma Community Center.
 - Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
 - Quarterback Club, 7 p.m., Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center.
 - VFW Post No. 2013, VFW Hall, 7 p.m.
 - Big Spring Chapter No. 67, Order of the Eastern Star, 7:30 p.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main.

- WEDNESDAY**
- Senior Circle Big Spring Mall Walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.
 - Line dancing, 10:30 a.m., Senior Citizen Center.

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Applications for Christmas Cheer Program will be taken soon

By **MARSHA STURDIVANT**
Staff Writer

'Tis early in the season, but applications for the Salvation Army Christmas Cheer Program will be accepted from Oct. 11-22 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at 811 W. Fifth.



CASTILLO

"Christmas is definitely around the corner and we're getting ready to start the season," said Danelle Castillo, social service director for the

corps. Each year the Salvation Army provides needy children with Christmas presents, dubbed the Angel Tree program. The name of a child accepted for the program appears on a card that is placed on a Christmas tree. These trees are then placed in retail and public locations throughout the city. An individual or family may select one of the angel cards, purchase presents, and then return the card and the merchandise to the Salvation Army. Each card contains the child's first name, their age and clothing and shoe sizes, as well as three items they have asked for Christmas.

"We will also be doing all our traditional Christmas programs this year, such as Toys For Tots and canned food drive. The only difference this year is that we will not be having the doll tea and we will not be doing the doll auction this year, although we do have dolls to be dressed if anyone wants, and we will be giving away dolls for Christmas," Castillo said.

She said six cases of dolls are left over from last year's season, and anyone is welcome to take these dolls and dress them for Angel Tree presents.

An Elderly Angel Tree will also be out this year. And elderly persons who qualify receive food baskets at the holidays,

she said. Boy Scouts and H-E-B Food Stores will be working again this year at the gasoline pumps, with the proceeds donated to the Christmas program.

The Bell Ringers will begin ringing outside various locations beginning the week before Thanksgiving.

"And first we accept applications. Last year we provided Christmas present for 365 children," Castillo said.

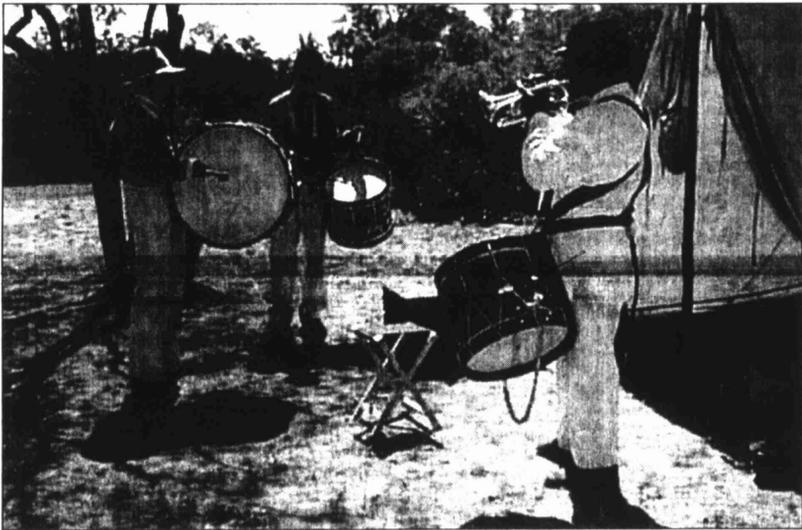
All applicants must furnish proof of income, including food stamps, housing assistance, social security or temporary assistance for needy families.

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Last weekend's celebration honoring Capt. Marcy's discovery of the spring 150 years ago had something for everyone. From clockwise at top, Liz Lowery and Tracy Lindsey discuss what to do about their financial situation in the melodrama, "Perils of a Frontier Photographer;" Annie Matt Angel, in an original floor-length dress, participates in the vintage fashion show; Dwain Bond blows a tune while Ryan Miracle, left, and Pat Reagan mark the beat; from left, Sue Haugh, Ellen Valencia, Karen Brewer and Suzanne Markwell serve up ice cream; and Andi Andrews-York paints a flag on Bradley Cahall.

HERALD photos/Debbie L. Jensen, Bill McClellan, Marsha Sturdivant



Farm tours

Ag producers to attend area tours Tuesday and Thursday

By **RICK McLAUGHLIN**
Staff Writer

Area agricultural producers and others will have an opportunity to participate in two tours that will highlight the newest technological advances and bio-technologies used in modern agricultural production, according to David Kight, Howard County agricultural extension agent.

The Howard County and Martin County farm tour will be Tuesday from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The program will begin at the Stoneville Texas, Inc. parking lot about four miles north of Big Spring on Highway 87, where breakfast tacos and coffee will be served.

Tour highlights, said Kight, will include the Howard County Result Demonstration Farm — dryland ultra-narrow row cotton, minimum tillage in cotton, cotton variety test blocks and cotton plant population studies; and the USDA facility.

Producers will receive three continuing education credits for attendance of this event, one hour in drift minimization, one hour of laws and regulations and one hour of general credit, said Kight.

For the second tour, Howard County will have a large part in an Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) field tour looking at West Texas agricultural practices and advances on Thursday.



KIGHT

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Westside Day Care provides educational opportunities for youth

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the fifth in a series of 11 weekly stories on the member agencies of the United Way of Big Spring and Howard County. Next week: Salvation Army.

By **DEBBIE L. JENSEN**
Features Editor

It's mid-morning and activities are in full swing at Westside Day Care. Infants are engaged in what they do best: Play. The center, which is one of the community's United Way agencies, has space for four infants and that class is always full.

Younger toddlers, 18 months to 2 years old, are playing out-



side, spinning in plastic cars, stacking blocks and sitting on child-sized chairs. Three- and 4-year-olds are busy decorating pictures of a dog with yarn "fur." That project has followed a lesson about dogs.

"There's always plenty going on," said Director Melinda Hernandez. She supervises care of 70 kids ages 0-12 in all-day or after-school programs.

Although the center has a posted rate that is similar to that of other local day cares, many of its parents can qualify for subsidies that come from Child Care Management Services (CCMS) or other sources. That is where United Way funds fit in.

"We depend on this funding from United Way each year," said Hernandez. "Without it, we would have to cut programs and cut down on children."

United Way funds of about \$20,000 a year help the center subsidize child care costs for families who need help, but



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

From left, Sidni Carrasco, Julie Alvarez and Valerie Goodblanket decorate pictures of a dog with yarn "fur" at Westside Day Care. The center depends on United Way funding to help subsidize child care costs for families who need help.

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OBITUARIES

Clyde E. Pearce

Clyde E. Pearce, 85, Big Spring, died on Saturday, Oct. 2, 1999, in a local hospital. Graveside service will be 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1999, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Wanda Hill, pastor of the First United Methodist Church in Coahoma, officiating.

He was born to Claude and Jovicy Pearce on Nov. 4, 1913, in Madill, Okla., and married Pauline King in 1934, in Eastland.

Mr. Pearce worked in the oil business in both the domestic and foreign fields. He moved back to Big Spring in 1983, from Colorado City. He was active with the Spring City Senior Citizen Center.

Survivors include: his wife and companion, Pauline Pearce of Big Spring; two daughters, Judy LeDoux of Dallas, and Kay Kelly of Houston; two sons and daughters-in-law, Jack and Marie Pearce-Milam of Odessa, and Dick and Joyce Pearce-Milam of Lubbock; 12 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Wanda Horton of Big Spring, Lela Mae Davidson of Milburn, Okla., and Billie Caughey of Marlow, Okla.; one brother, John Leonard Pearce of Manderson, Wyo.; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two brothers and one sister.

The family suggests memorials to: Spring City Senior Citizen Center; P.O. Box 3463; Big Spring, 79721-3463.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Tuesday afternoon from 3:30 until service time.

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

Paid obituary

Desmond K. Armstrong

Graveside service for Desmond K. Armstrong, 85, Big Spring, will be 1 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1999, at Trinity Memorial Park with Chaplain Don Snipes, of the VA Hospital, officiating.

Mr. Armstrong died Saturday, Oct. 2, at his residence.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288
Domingo F. Rios, Sr., 81, died Friday, Services 10:00 AM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home

Trinity Memorial Park and Crematory
906 Gregg St. (915) 267-6331

Emiel E. "Lee" Lehman, died Friday. Services will be 10:00 AM Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Robert Smart, 74, died Saturday. Services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

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He was born

on Jan. 2, 1914, in Comanche County. Mr. Armstrong had been in Big Spring for 60 years and retired from the Southern Pacific Railroad after 30 years of service. He loved hunting, fishing, the outdoors and helping people. Mr. Armstrong served in the United States Army during World War II and was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.



ARMSTRONG

Survivors include: one brother, Howard Armstrong of Ackerly; one sister, Delma Graham of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the donor's favorite charity.

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

Robert Smart

Service for Robert Smart, 74, Lake Colorado City, will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, 1999, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Mr. Smart died Saturday, Oct. 2, at his residence.

He was born on Oct. 2, 1925, in Broken Bow, Okla. He married Hazel Clyrene Huelster on May 15, 1957, in Big Spring. He worked for Cosden for 35 years, retiring in 1982. He moved to Lake Colorado City from Big Spring in 1974 and was an avid hunter. Mr. Smart was a member of the First Christian Church and had served in the United States Navy during World War II.

Survivors include: his wife, Hazel Clyrene Smart of Lake Colorado City; two sons, Danny Dee Smart and Edwin O'Bannon, both of Midland; two daughters, Robbie Smart Nichol of Houston, and Nora O'Bannon Atwood of Midland; two brothers, John W. Smart of Ukiah, Calif., and Floyd H. Smart of Big Spring; three sisters, Flora Belle Bratton of Olympia, Wash., Annie May Roath of Eureka, Calif., and Ida Marie Reid of Broken Bow, Okla.; eight grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the National Crohn's Disease Foundation.

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

Jo Dann

Graveside service for Jo Dann, Big Spring, was 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, 1999, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

Ms. Dann died Friday, Oct. 1, in a local hospital.

She was born in Scurry to Dr. and Mrs. J.F. Cauthen. She had been a resident of Big Spring for 15 years.

Survivors include: three sisters, Fern Durham of Big Spring, Marie Patterson of Houston, and Ruth Conway of Big Spring; and several nieces and nephews.

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

Domingo F. Rios Sr.

A prayer service for Domingo F. Rios Sr., 81, Big Spring, was held Sunday, Oct. 3, 1999, at the Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service was 10 a.m. today at the Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Socorro Rios, pastor of Templo Belen Assembly of God, officiating. Burial followed in Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Rios died Friday, Oct. 1, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center following a short illness.

He was born on April 5, 1918, in Fredericksburg. He married Jessie Polendo in San Antonio. She preceded him in death on Aug. 22, 1996. Mr. Rios moved to Big Spring in 1970, from Midkiff. He was a retired farmer and a member of the



RIOS

Templo Belen Assembly of God.

He is survived by: three daughters, Rosita Ponce of San Antonio, Malena Rios of Austin, and Anita Rios Gonzales of Big Spring; four sons, David Rios of Big Spring, Richard Rios of Augusta, Ga., Carlos Rios and Domingo Rios Jr., both of Big Spring; one brother, Henry Rios of Big Spring; four sisters, Catarina Valdez of Mineral Wells, Andrea Perez of Stonewall, Minnie Valdez and Martha Perez, both of San Angelo; 34 grandchildren; and a number of great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

SALVATION ARMY

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Also, applicants must provide proof of all expenses such as rent, all utilities and car payments.

Social security cards must be provided for all member of the household, and the applicant must have a photo identification.

Castillo also suggests that an applicant provide sizes of clothes and shoes for each child younger than 12, and a list of three items the child wants for Christmas.

For more information call 267-8239.

AG TOURS

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The field tour, part of the Colorado Headwaters Environmental Quality Incentives Program, will start at 9 a.m. at the Knapp Community Center.

Kight is part of the program and will present certificates to those attending for three hours of continuing education towards meeting the requirements of a private applicators license for brush control.

"The tour is designed to highlight the technological as well as the management practices for farming and ranching operations in Howard County," said Kight. "Hopefully, some of the demonstrations of new technologies and chemicals and management practices for farming and ranching operations can become even more efficient than they already are, which should help the bottom line."

Howard County's Sterling Ranch is the first stop to see demonstrations of chemical brush control plots. A Texas Agricultural Extension Service agent will discuss the various herbicides and safety techniques used during application for control of brush.

Sterling Ranch is also the site of a demonstration of a mechanical brush control shearer that cuts brush and applies herbicide at the same time.

At the Conrad ranch, which is partially in Howard County in the northeast corner, rancher Jimmy Sterling will discuss brush control and proper grazing use practices.

Texas Parks and Wildlife biologist Jim Lionberger will explain how to conduct wildlife population census.

J.R. Bell, Natural Resources Conservation Service range management specialist, will discuss management practices and introduce a new publication, "Grazing Records and Livestock References," to aid ranchers in making grazing management decisions, said Kevin Wright of the Snyder office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Farm Service Agency.

Continuing on to Borden County and the Brent Murphy Ranch, the topics will include pasture management, nutrient and pest management and a pasture renovation demonstration.

"The tour will return to the Knapp Community Center for a free lunch," said Wright.

To reach the Knapp Community Center from Big Spring, go north for 27 miles on Highway 350 and nine miles north on FM 1298.

For additional information, contact Kevin Wright at 915-573-6317. For more information on either tour, call the Texas Agricultural Extension Office at 265-2236.

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WESTSIDE

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can't qualify for CCMS. In many cases, that agency has a long waiting list.

"For low-income families, if we can keep them from just sitting on that waiting list, we want to do that," Hernandez said.

Helping families is the agency's number-one priority, she added, whether it is with a child's behavior problems, developmental difficulties, or parenting skills.

"We will do anything we can to help the parents," Hernandez said. "And then what we can't do, I can find someone else who can help them."

The center uses the Little People's curriculum, and each class has weekly lesson plans geared toward its specific age group. Classrooms, for the most part, are divided into learning centers, with subjects like science and life skills such as manners.

Teachers and staff work with parents in dealing with issues like potty training, separation anxiety and social skills. They also refer families for medical or counseling services when they are needed.

Students are served two meals and one snack a day. The center uses volunteers to help teachers, and invites Howard College nursing students to do some of their training with the kids.

Most important, Hernandez said, is that the children are well taken care of.

"Our center is not the prettiest, not the fanciest place," she said, "but our care is good. We want our parents to always feel secure that they can go to work and their child is in good hands."

WHAT'S UP

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Industrial Park.

□ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
□ Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

THURSDAY

□ Gideons International Big Spring Camp No. 4206, 7 a.m., Hermans.
□ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.
□ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
□ Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library.
□ Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Bring a lunch.
□ AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.
□ Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

SATURDAY

□ Howard County Scottish Rite Club, 7:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 21st and Lancaster.
□ The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
□ The Pottou House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encouraged.
□ Dance 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third. Members and guests welcome.

BRIEFS

VOLUNTEER TRAINING FOR VOICES FOR CHILDREN, or Court-Appointed Special Advocates, will be Oct. 18-25. The classes will be at Centers

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for Children and Families, 600 N. Marienfeld St., Suite 253.

Voices for Children uses volunteers to represent in court the needs of children who have been removed from their homes due to allegations of abuse and neglect. It serves the Midland and Big Spring areas.

If at least five volunteers from the Big Spring area are interested, training can be conducted locally. Call 570-1084 for information.

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.

The program strives to promote international understanding by enabling people from different countries and cultures to learn from each other.

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.

BIG SPRING DOWNTOWN LIONS CLUB will sponsor its annual hamburger supper Oct. 15, 5-7 p.m. in the Big Spring High School cafeteria. Cost is \$5 per person and carryout is available.

Howard County historic throws will be available for purchase at the supper, \$40 each. Call 263-4295 for more information, or see any Downtown Lions member.

IT'S TIME FOR THE Big Spring Women's Clubs annual coat drive. We will be collecting coats for needy children and adults from Oct. 1 through Nov. 30. Please bring your extra coats, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, windbreakers and blankets to Harris Lumber and Hardware (1515 E. FM 700), the Howard County Courthouse (first floor) or Scenic Mountain Medical Center (1601 W. 11th Place).

THE MARCH OF DIMES will have its Big Spring Walk America on Nov. 6, at Comanche Trail Park. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Call 570-7940 for more information.

POLICE

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

• **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 700 block of E. 12th.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 1000 block of N. Main.

• **CRIMINAL**

MISCHIEF/VEHICLE was reported at the Howard County Fairgrounds.

• **DISTURBANCE/FIGHT** was reported in the 1400 block of Wood and the 1400 block of Bluebird.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 700 block of W. I-20 and at 18th and Gregg.

• **RUNAWAY** was reported in the 2000 block of Dow.

• **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 1200 Block of Ridge Road, the 1200 block of W. Sixth and the 700 block of W. 18th.

• **CLASS C ASSAULT** was reported in the 700 block of Ohio.

• **JUAN GARCIA, 33**, was arrested for public intoxication.

• **TYRONE SMITH, no age available**, was arrested for unlawful carrying of weapon.

• **JOSHUA BEATY, 17**, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.

• **CRUSITA MUNOZ, 32**, was arrested for injury to a child.

• **CAMERON SEAGO, 22**, was arrested on revocation of probation.

FIRE/EMS

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

SATURDAY
11:33 a.m. — I-20 mile 182, traffic accident, two patients transported to Scenic Mountain Medical center and one refused service.

3:14 p.m. — 2200 block Nolan, medical call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

5:19 p.m. — 100 block N.E. Eighth, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

7:01 p.m. — 220 block Texas Road, medical call, patient transported to the VA.

7:43 p.m. — 1700 block Purdue, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

SUNDAY
12:08 a.m. — 1400 block Hilltop, trauma call, patient transported to the VA.

4:13 a.m. — 1700 block Lancaster, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

9:42 a.m. — 6200 block Walter Road, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

11:51 a.m. — 3200 block Parkway, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

6:37 p.m. — 600 block McEwen, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

RECORDS

Sunday's high 95
Sunday's low 51
Average high 82
Average low 57
Record high 98 in 1929
Record low 38 in 1975
Precip. Sunday 0.00
Month to date 0.00
Month's normal 0.22
Year to date 11.52
Normal for the year 15.34
Sunrise Tuesday 7:42 a.m.
Sunset Tuesday 7:26 p.m.
**Statistics not available

Murder

VARNER, Ark., who taunted his victim when his life was in jeopardy after being reported at the Howard County Fairgrounds.

But Tyler said sighting of Willie prison was believed at 10:20 a.m. sighting was before of a killing where a pickup stolen, according spokesman Bill Sadler said ear investigators Sunday afternoon the death of Cecil

One in

WASHINGTON 44.3 million Americans, had no health coverage in 1999 same proportion as in 1998, the Census Bureau today.

The survey found number of people erage grew by nearly 10 million people kept the rate steady in 1998, compared to 1997. Incentives for coverage "Those more health insurance include young adults to 24-year-old age with lower levels people of Hispanic

GOP b

WASHINGTON opposition and their own ranks, Republicans are alternatives to delay income support to working poor. GOP leaders from the idea of "old of their party" contenders' criticism" and "House ates and Senate predicted its demise." "I'm not going anything right," Speaker Dennis acknowledged a with rank-and-file "We need to as where we're at."

The proposal Thursday Appropriations would change payment that near lion recipients of income tax credit 12 monthly payments. The 24-year-old

Tax credit

WASHINGTON tax credit for the that House Republican convert from a monthly payment crucial annual sample trying to get finds.

Half the 1998 tax credit recipients in the draft Syracuse study said they would at least a portion at check so they could better neighborhood or buy or

"The EITC approach most effective for leading low-income on a path toward independence," M. Smeeding, director of Center for Policy Syracuse. "This makes these expensive."

House Republican spread the tax credit over a year, saving in fiscal 2000 an estimated cost of the credit. Lowering budget year help balance the without dipping Security account self-imposed spending



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Murderer escapes, is suspect in new slaying

VARNER, Ark. (AP) — A man who taunted his victim's family when his life was spared last month after being convicted for killing a cheerleader at Pine Bluff has escaped from prison and is a suspect in a new slaying, state police say.

Kenneth D. Williams, 20, was discovered missing from the Cummins Unit of the state prison system about 6 p.m. Sunday, according to prison spokeswoman Dina Tyler.

But Tyler said the last sure sighting of Williams inside the prison was believed to have been at 10:20 a.m. Sunday. That sighting was before the discovery of a killing near Grady, where a pickup truck was stolen, according to state police spokesman Bill Sadler.

Sadler said early today that investigators were called Sunday afternoon to investigate the death of Cecil Boren, 57, at

his home outside Grady, about 6 miles northwest of the Cummins Unit.

Sadler said Boren's body was discovered in some bushes near his home by his wife and a neighbor. They began searching for him when Boren wasn't inside the home when his wife returned about 12:45 p.m., Sadler said.

Boren died of an apparent gunshot wound, Sadler said. According to Sadler, investigators believe Boren may have been surprised inside his home by an intruder, and taken outside and slain.

Boren's pickup truck — a 1988 Ford F-150, painted tan, and with a toolbox the same color across the bed of the truck, next to the cab — was missing from the home, Sadler said. He said the pickup had a John Deere tag on the front and Arkansas license tag 453-BOF on the rear.

Investigators learned about 8 p.m. of Williams' escape, Sadler said, "and information was developed... that led investigators to believe that Kenneth Williams should be considered a suspect and wanted for questioning in connection with the Grady homicide."

Williams was convicted Sept. 14 of capital murder and sentenced to life in prison without parole for the slaying of Dominique Hurd, 19, of Fort Worth.

The cheerleader at the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff was abducted along with her boyfriend outside a restaurant last Dec. 13. Williams was also convicted of attempted murder in an attack on Ms. Hurd's boyfriend, Peter Robertson of Vineland, N.J.

After jurors decided on a recommendation of life without parole, instead of execution,

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, OCT. 5:

You are unusually together and directed this year. What you want comes easily to you. Network; make friends and expand your horizons. Others are ready and willing to help you and support your ideas. You're likely to be a leader in your community. Still, take time alone to recharge and reflect. High energy helps you pinpoint goals, although you're frequently on the go and have much to do. If you are single, you attract many different suitors, but whom you settle down with is your call. What kind of relationship do you seek? If attached, a partner really helps you achieve professionally and gain financially. VIRGO knows what motivates you.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ****You finally wake up on the right side of the bed and scurry into work, full of energy. Others see you make waves as you clear your desk. Your smile wins friends. Take time later in the day to brainstorm with a co-worker. Tonight: Willingly work late.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** You are highly motivated, and you draw support from another. Make important changes at home. Your sensitivity to a family member allows more flexibility, not less. Consider a new purchase, but price it carefully. Add to the quality of your life. Tonight: Spend time with a loved one.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ****Not everyone has to agree with you, but when you concur, you have an easier time getting a project launched. Your way of verbalizing encourages another to go along. Catch up on calls; others respond to your energy. Tonight: Head home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Use your momentary savvy today. Decide how much you want to invest in something just for you. You might need to spruce up your professional image and, at the same time, enhance your professional desirability. Tonight: Seek advice.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** Dare to dream and act upon it. You shouldn't take a back seat any longer. Your sense of direction grounds others. You draw supporters and admirers because of your charisma. Still, make sure you and another are on the same page. You are acknowledged for a job well done. Tonight: Your treat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ** A lot is happening on a subliminal level. You might not want to share your thoughts. You have high energy and powerful ambitions, but you should also be willing to bide your time. Be careful of someone you meet today; he could be

emotionally unavailable. Tonight: Try something different.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** You make friends easily; others are clearly impressed by your speaking abilities. You're an inspiration as you get projects rolling. Everything falls into place. Touch base with a special friend. You can trust this person. Much is gained. Tonight: Vanish mysteriously.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ****Take your bows, as another acknowledges your job well done. You gain financially; if you spend, it will come back in multiples. You see new ways of making money and increasing investments. Bring others together as a team. Tonight: Join friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ****Take action and do needed research. You might not be sure about which way to go in a professional relationship. Gather information; make calls. Another at a distance clearly cares about you. Establish boundaries. Use your high energy to clear out work. Tonight: Putting in extra hours.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ****Others clearly give you positive feedback. Now is the time to ask for that raise or loan. Your instincts help you read partners more clearly. Get back to basics. Don't hedge. Make calls later in the day, when others are ready to talk. Tonight: Answer your e-mail, then have some fun!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ****Defer to others. Stay clear about your objectives, and another will hear you. You might need to remind someone to separate business from pleasure. Others see you as rich with ideas; try them out on a trusted associate. Tonight: Togetherness counts.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ****You have a lot of work to get done. Get to work; clear your desk and return calls. A co-worker might be sweet on you. Think about how you would like to deal with this. Stay positive and direct with those at work. Use the later hours for mixing business and pleasure, but ask yourself if it is worth the trouble it could cause. Tonight: Partying away.

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One in six Americans lack health insurance

WASHINGTON (AP) — Some 44.3 million Americans, one in six, had no health insurance coverage in 1998, about the same proportion as a year earlier, the Census Bureau reported today.

The survey found that the number of people without coverage grew by nearly a million, but overall population growth kept the rate steady — 16.3 percent in 1998, compared with 16.1 percent in 1997. In 1996, 15.6 percent lacked coverage.

"Those more likely to lack health insurance continue to include young adults in the 18- to 24-year-old age group, people with lower levels of education, people of Hispanic origin, those

who work part time and people born in another country," said Jennifer Campbell, author of the Census report.

She said health care coverage among children did not change significantly from 1997 to 1998, with 11.1 million, or 15.4 percent, of the under-18 population uninsured. Children aged 12 to 17 were slightly more likely to be without coverage than those under 12 — 16.0 percent, compared with 15.1 percent.

"Lack of health care coverage has reached epic proportions," contended Ron Pollock, executive director of the advocacy group Families USA. "With this new Census Bureau report, it is now imperative that all candi-

dates for public office come up with specific proposals to address the growing national problem."

Jobs are the most common source of health insurance, with 70.2 percent of Americans covered by a private insurance plan provided either through the employer or union. Nonetheless, nearly half — 47.5 percent — of low paid, full-time workers lacked health insurance in 1998.

The other major source of health coverage was the government through Medicare (13.2 percent of the population), Medicaid (10.3 percent) and military health care (3.2 percent). Many people carried coverage

GOP backs away from benefit slowdown for poor

WASHINGTON (AP) — Amid opposition and confusion in their own ranks, congressional Republicans are shopping for alternatives to their plan to delay income-support payments to working poor families.

GOP leaders backed away from the idea Friday as a second of their party's presidential contenders criticized the proposal, and House GOP moderates and Senate Republicans predicted its demise.

"I'm not going to knee-jerk anything right now," House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., acknowledged after meeting with rank-and-file lawmakers. "We need to assess, to see where we're at."

The proposal, approved Thursday by the House Appropriations Committee, would change the lump-sum payment that nearly all 20 million recipients of the earned-income tax credit now get into 12 monthly payments.

The 24-year-old tax credit pro-

gram is aimed at helping low-income people avoid falling into welfare. The credit averages \$1,890 annually for families with children, and will cost nearly \$32 billion next year, the Treasury Department estimates.

Without referring to the proposal specifically, Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., used the weekly Republican radio address today to emphasize the GOP's commitment to protect Social Security surpluses, oppose tax increases and expand local control of federal education aid.

"We Republicans intend to accomplish our goals without shutting down the federal government," Gorton said.

But for now, Republicans were focusing on limiting damage from the plan to delay income-support benefits.

Many Republicans feared that the idea, and the negative reaction it has sparked, would overshadow the party's high-profile goal of protecting Social

Security surpluses and be used against them by Democrats.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Republicans could be hurt by "the image that we're changing a program that primarily benefits the low-income people."

He added, "In the end... we'll decide not to do that."

The decisive blow seemed to have been dealt Thursday by Texas Gov. George W. Bush, the GOP's leading presidential contender, when he said Republicans shouldn't "balance their budget on the backs of the poor."

"Unless he says, 'I had this all wrong,' then I think it's dead on arrival," said Rep. James Greenwood, R-Pa.

Hastert said the plan had been described to the campaigns of Bush and other GOP candidates before it was introduced, and that congressional Republicans got no response.

"I would hope that we'd have a future dialogue on these kind of issues," he said.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., another presidential candidate, added his own criticism on Friday.

"If our goal is to have lower-income Americans lifted up into the middle class, this is the wrong way to do it," said McCain.

Supporters said each beneficiary would receive the same amount of money as now. But opponents said the change would deny recipients the big cash infusion many now use to buy expensive items.

"What they propose to do is unconscionable," President Clinton said Friday, reiterating his promise to kill the plan.

Some lawmakers and aides said the proposal might gain public acceptance if they did a better job of selling it. They said they had to emphasize that benefits from Social Security and many other income-support programs are already paid monthly.

Tax credit a popular way for poor to get ahead

WASHINGTON (AP) — The tax credit for the working poor that House Republicans want to convert from a lump sum to monthly payments provides crucial annual savings for people trying to get ahead, a study finds.

Half the 1998 earned income tax credit recipients questioned in the draft Syracuse University study said they planned to save at least a portion of their annual check so they could move to a better neighborhood, pay tuition or buy or repair a car.

"The EITC appears to be our most effective federal program for leading low-income families on a path toward true economic independence," said Timothy M. Smeeding, director of the Center for Policy Research at Syracuse. "The EITC is what makes these expenditures possible."

House Republicans want to spread the tax credit payment over a year, saving \$8.7 billion in fiscal 2000 and pushing the cost of the credit into the following budget year. That would help balance the 2000 budget without dipping into Social Security accounts or breaking self-imposed spending caps.

President Clinton has pledged to veto appropriations bills that change the payments. GOP presidential front-runner George W. Bush has joined Democrats in questioning whether such a change might harm the working poor.

Created in 1975, the credit is intended to keep people working and to offset the payroll taxes they contribute for Social Security and Medicare. Last year, taxpayers earning between \$10,000 and \$31,000 were eligible, depending on a number of children. The average 1998 claim was \$1,459 for 19.4 million taxpayers.

Among the GOP arguments for making 12 payments over the year is that poor people actually need more help making monthly ends meet and that the single payment is more difficult for people to manage.

"I think it's something that helps families in need to get their money on a monthly basis instead of one cash drop sometime in the spring," said House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill.

But the Syracuse study suggests otherwise. It was based on interviews with 826 Chicago-area EITC recipients who used a free tax clinic to do their returns in 1998.

About 80 percent of that group expected a refund when they came into the clinic and had definite ideas of what to do with it, the research shows. Three quarters said they would use the money to pay bills or meet household expenses, but 49 percent of those added they would save some money for bigger purchases, tuition or moving.

"These uses suggest that the EITC also plays a large role in improving social mobility, a finding we did not expect," Smeeding said. "There is a large and growing recognition of the program and the potential payoff for working households."

The study found that many working people use their annual payments to open their first checking or savings account. Without such accounts, Smeeding said working poor are "less likely to be able to effectively prioritize" how to use a large check.

To that end, the study recommends that the federal government consider using electronic transfers of the payments to banks or other financial institutions so that recipients are encouraged to open those accounts.

"Checking and savings accounts offer the possibility for having both precautionary savings and for asset building," Smeeding said.

Recipients seemed less interested in paying off credit card debt. About 25 percent of the group had credit cards and 80 percent of them had debt averaging \$2,400, yet Smeeding found that only 18 percent listed paying off the cards as a priority for their money.

The study concluded that the credit enables working poor to meet most of their pressing consumption needs and also set aside money for "upward mobility."

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OUR VIEWS

Busy weekend had something for each of us

If you sat around the house last weekend you missed a lot of fun. From music to marches and melodramas, there was something going on in Big Spring for everyone. Add in high school sporting activities, and it was a full plate indeed.

Saturday morning began with a vintage fashion show — women, children and men decked out in clothing from a by gone era. It was great fun, and educational, too.

Meanwhile, more than 400 people gathered for a great cause — the annual Heart Walk. Showing their determination and Big Spring's spirit, the walkers raised \$18,000, stepping all over the goal of \$12,000 that had been set.

Saturday night, the debut performance of the Big Spring Symphony season was held at the newly refurbished Municipal Auditorium. Hundreds tapped their toes and clapped their hands as the Midland Lone Star Brass and Jody Nix and his Texas Cowboys brought us some great music. Tumbleweed Smith provided a historical backdrop to the scene, and of course, an occasional laugh. The auditorium doors were left open and the sounds of fiddles could be heard blocks away.

At the same time, a host of Christian bands were bringing a message of faith in song at Comanche Trail Park. It was the annual Praise Fest, and the variety of the groups performing was truly amazing. The all-evening event brought hundreds to the park in song and praise. Earlier in the day — in an effort led by Church of the Harvest — a food give-away was held, benefiting a number of local need families.

Sunday's celebration of the 150th anniversary of Capt. Marcy's discovery of the spring was an entertaining event. Local attorney and playwright Rick Hamby humbled us with a fitting narrative, and Clay Grizzle and his cast of misfits had us laughing with the antics in the melodrama, "The Perils of a Frontier Photographer." Dwain Bond and his cohorts educated us and entertained us as field musicians.

We enjoyed ice cream, cookies and drinks, played a few games and celebrated the reason for Big Spring's founding — the spring.

We hope you were able to take part in some of the activities going on over the weekend. It really was a big time in Big Spring.

OTHER VIEWS

See Al Gore. See Al Gore run for president. See Al Gore try to keep up a brave face.

Surveys released over the past few months indicate Americans are growing tired of Bill Clinton which, in turn, could hurt Gore.

For instance, a Pew Research poll in July said 44 percent thought the House was right to impeach Clinton in the Monica Lewinsky scandal, up from 35 percent last December. ... So what did Gore do in Indianola (Iowa) a while back?

He denied that "Clinton fatigue" is dogging the campaign. He said history foretells a rebound next year that will help him. He said it's just typical, in the seventh year of a two-term pres-

idency, for a president's ratings to slip. "In the eighth year," Gore said, "there's a renewed burst of energy and positive feeling about what's been done and the reasons why a president has had two terms."

But the Clinton presidency is anything but typical.

And what else could Al Gore say? That he agreed that his president has been a louse? He has to be loyal. He has to be complimentary. He has to keep up a brave face.

Or does he? ...

What a refreshing turn presidential politics would take if Al Gore stopped trying to defend his president and publicly struck out on his own.

THE GAZETTE,
CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

Your DEA at work: Assault on birdseed

Zealotry is not an attribute Americans value in their government, whether it comes in the form of an overbearing policeman, an all-too-happy tax collector or an arbitrary drug enforcement agent. Zealotry is worse, still, when it infects not just the agent, but the agency — in this case, the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) — as

occurred on Aug. 9:

A tractor-trailer full of seed destined for a birdseed factory was stopped and seized in Detroit by U.S. Customs Service officials on orders from the DEA. The cargo was listed as sterilized hemp seed from Kenex, a farming company based in Ontario, Canada, where it is licensed to breed, grow, process and manufacture hemp and hemp products.



JACK ANDERSON

You may wonder if this "dangerous" birdseed was laced with acid or camouflaging heroin. It was not.

The problem arose when the DEA literally chose to take the law into its own hands, by redefining the law as it relates to marijuana — despite the fact that Congress, when drafting the Controlled Substance Act of 1937, excluded from its definition of marijuana, "the sterilized seed of such plant which is incapable of germination."

Such seeds, it was acknowledged, may — like the oil and the nut — contain naturally occurring traces of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the active ingredient in marijuana. By Kenex's own paperwork, the hemp seed contained .00148 percent THC — the equivalent, according to Kenex President Jean Laprise, of an olive pit in a railroad car.

By comparison, a marijuana leaf contains 5 to 30 percent THC. The DEA interpretation of the law is that only completely sterilized cannabis seeds, incapable of germination, are exempted from the Controlled Substance Act. The DEA states it has recently become aware that some of

these seeds are being imported for human consumption, and if the seeds are remotely contaminated by THC, it is illegal to eat them under federal law — this, though they acknowledge that no one could get high off such trace amounts.

However, we have in our possession two affidavits from DEA employees from a 1991 lawsuit against a hemp manufacturer, that declare, "A 5 percent viability rate is considered necessary by the DEA to prove that the sample of seeds is indeed viable. Viability is the critical aspect of the analysis because the law specifically states that sterilized seeds incapable of germination are not included in the term 'marijuana' and are therefore not controlled."

A customs official tells us the Kenex load was registered as sterilized grain. The paperwork with the truck indicated the cargo was sterilized hemp seed. Even so, customs contacted DEA, and DEA instructed customs to seize the load. Customs complied, and 17 other hemp loads shipped from Kenex to the United States were recalled. Kenex had to contact all of the American companies that had

received hemp shipments and request they track down the product and send it back to the border in 30 days or face a fine. "The fines are inevitable; the hemp we have shipped has been processed and sold," Laprise told us.

Unapologetically, Dean Boyd, spokesperson for customs told us, "The law is the law. We don't want to get in a political back and forth on the merits of hemp seed. We have to uphold the law." But he was quoting the law according to the DEA, not the act of Congress.

Kenex continues to insist that hemp is legal, and they have been shipping it across the border for over a year without incident. "Do you think if they were trying to smuggle a product, they would have admitted to having drugs in the load?" asks John Roulac, a California businessman who was to receive part of the hemp seed shipment for chewy granola bars that his company produces.

Interestingly, of the 32 countries that grow and import hemp, none of them are mentioned in the DEA's congressional report on drug-producing nations.

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Should I buy the snow boot or glass slipper?

My refrigerator door also serves as art gallery, and what's hanging lately is cause for alarm.

Alongside the photos of contorted, new-issue babies and crayon etchings and cryptic messages involving blueberries and whipped cream is a car. A beautiful car. A yellow Thunderbird, retro-looking, with a snazzy, curvy, low-slung front and porthole windows in the rear.

My friend, Brother Dave Haffly, mailed the picture to me after he visited the big Atlanta car show, with a note on the back: "This is the car for you!" he said. (He's always thought too highly of me.)

I stuck the T-Bird postcard on the refrigerator with other

works of fine art, and that was the end of it.

Until this week, when my 1971 garbage-and-canoe-hauling pickup was in the shop. I missed it. A person can't live much of a life without some hauling room, unless she limits her interests to bonsai and toy poodles.

I still had my main work vehicle, my Explorer, which, in a pinch, has carried entire rooms of furniture, three cats, two dogs and a pear tree. (Now I know the beef against SUVs, but save your letters. Until all semis have roads of their own, I can't worry about outweighing other cars.)

Before I could fetch the antique pickup from the garage, the brakes on the Explorer started making an awful grinding noise. I didn't have to call National Public Radio to figure out the problem. It sounded like, oh, I don't know, \$800.

For a vehicle with nearly 200,000 miles, the Explorer looks good. There's that one bad scar on the side where the concrete pillar refused to get

out of the way in the parking garage. Otherwise, it still looks plenty smart. You can't tell me from a Roswell, Ga., soccer mom, unless you open the door.

But the truck is starting to issue little warnings that all say basically the same thing: I soon might be crying on the shoulder of the road.

Which brings us back to that sexy T-Bird. Brother Dave, who knows cars, says it'll be out soon. He says hold on.

And part of me — the frivolous, daring, devilish me — wants that little car. I'd feel 25 again, the year I had another yellow car, an MG that spent most of the time at the shop. It was a beauty, though, even with its underbelly showing, sitting regally atop a hydraulic lift.

The practical side of me — the mulch-hauling, junk-swapping, pumpkin-picking side — wants a basic pickup truck. A pickup with a long bed and a straight shift and a tape deck as its only frill.

It's the same thing as when the airline asks, "Aisle or win-

dow seat?" What's left of the young me always wants the window, where I can see the dreamy clouds and points of interest as the pilot points them out.

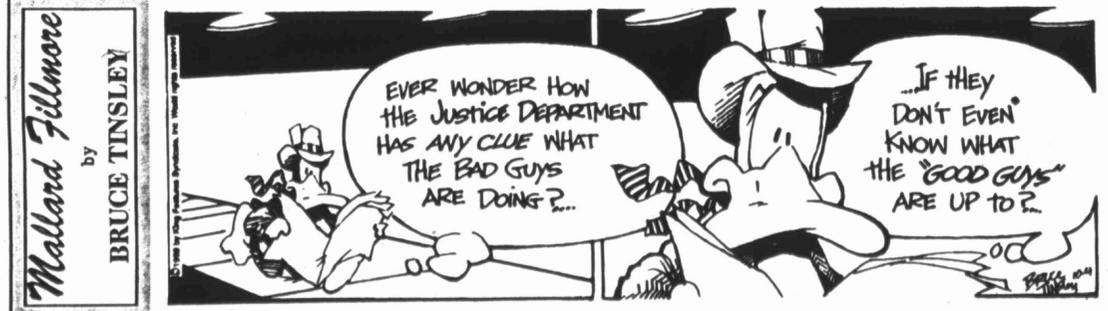
But the mature, boring me wants the aisle, where I don't feel so claustrophobic, and I can stretch my legs whenever I need to without disturbing half the world.

Aisle or window? T-Bird or truck? It's the same question, really. I'd flip a coin — if I could find one with the face of Patricia Neal on one side, Cindy Crawford on the other.

I'm afraid my Explorer, the Great Compromise, is about to force my hand. Even Willie Nelson couldn't make a Ford last forever if he drove as much as I do.

So if you see me coming in a used, plain pickup truck, its back end full of dog food and cinder blocks, know that hidden somewhere is a more interesting, fun-loving me.

And if you see me squeezed into a sporty, lemon-yellow T-Bird, know that, down deep, I'm not as stupid as I look.



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IN BRIEF

Coahoma boosts slates meeting

The Coahoma Booster Club will tonight in the Elementary School. Members will short business meeting viewing highlight Bulldogs' game again.

Howard men finish at Sul Ross State

Howard College paced by Todd L. finished fourth in Saturday's final of the Sul Ross State Rodeo in Alpine. Loesch, who finished in the men's all-around, won a wrestling competition identical 4.8-second added a sixth-place calf roping.

Matt Burrows added place ride in the round of bareback 66-point ride leaving in the average.

Seth McFadden and Meche did no far however, Meche placed in the bull McFadden seeing total in wrestling failing to

Big Spring Women schedules tournament

The Big Spring Club will host a scramble golf tournament Saturday at the Country Club.

Entry fees are \$50 and play will be shotgun start at 9 a.m. Proceeds from the event will help defray expenses.

Bromman, a first-year sufferer from leukemia.

For more information, contact Kelle Wash at 263-

Lady Steers 7th fare well at tournament

Big Spring Junior Lady Steers triumphed in the tournament Saturday, finishing in the top place, with the eighth graders taking consolation.

April Salazar and Mattson led the Lady Steers seven 10 points apiece in 15-2 win over Sweetwater.

Basketball officials meeting for week

The Big Spring Officials Association held its first meeting at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the YMCA.

Bulldog seven post fourth state

Coahoma's Bulldogs posted over Wink Thurgood, Jose Rodriguez scored tie in the lead with a 55-yard triple reverse.

Rodriguez late 55-yard touchdown. Adrian Abrego.

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IN BRIEF

Coahoma booster club slates meeting tonight

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will meet at 7 tonight in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria.

Members will conduct a short business meeting before viewing highlights of the Bulldogs' game against Wink.

Howard men finish fourth at Sul Ross State rodeo

Howard College's men, paced by Todd Loesch, finished fourth in the team standings following Saturday's final go-round of the Sul Ross State University Rodeo in Alpine.

Loesch, who finished second in the men's all-around competition, won the steer wrestling competition with identical 4.8-second runs and added a sixth-place finish in the calf roping.

Matt Burrows added a sixth-place ride in the short go-round of bareback riding, his 66-point ride leaving him fifth in the average.

Seth McFadden and Sammy Meche did no fare as well, however, Meche failing to place in the bull riding and McFadden seeing his 11.8 second total in the steer wrestling failing to place.

Big Spring Women's Club schedules tournament

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

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

Proceeds from the tournament will help defray the medical expenses of Blake Borman, a first-grader who suffers from leukemia.

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

Lady Steers 7th and 8th fare well at tournament

Big Spring Junior High's Lady Steers brought home trophies from the Sweetwater tournament Saturday, the seventh graders taking third place, with the eighth graders were consolation champions.

April Salazar and Carissa Mattson led the way for the Lady Steers seventh, scoring 10 points apiece in a 15-9, 9-15, 15-2 win over Snyder in the opening match.

Mattson had 11 points and Kate Smiley added seven in a 14-16, 15-12, 15-6 loss to Miles, but Mattson and Salazar rebounded to lead the way in a 15-6, 15-4 win over Sweetwater in the third-place game.

Sara Acevedo scored 15 points and Ashley Hodge added seven more in the eighth graders' 15-4, 8-15, 15-9 consolation win over Sweetwater.

Basketball officials slate meeting for Wednesday

The Big Spring sub-chapter of the Southwest Basketball Officials Association will have its first meeting of the season at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the YMCA.

For more information, call Mandi Rodriguez at 263-8731 or 264-4135.

Bulldog seventh graders post fourth straight win

Coahoma's seventh-grade Bulldogs posted a 14-6 win over Wink Thursday.

Jose Rodriguez broke a scoreless tie in the third quarter, giving the Bulldogs the lead with a 55-yard run on a triple reverse.

Rodriguez later hauled in a 55-yard touchdown pass from Adrian Abrego.

ON THE AIR

Radio
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
7:45 p.m. — Buffalo Bills at Miami Dolphins, KBST-AM 1490.

Television
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
8 p.m. — Buffalo Bills at Miami Dolphins, ABC, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8.
GYMNASTICS
8 p.m. — World Team Trials, women's competition, ESPN.

Rangers can look ahead to Yankees after loss to Angels

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The AL West champion Texas Rangers have a couple of days to put their game back together for the postseason.

And the Anaheim Angels have all winter to figure out how to put a whole season together.

Those were the postscripts of the Angels' 1-0 season-ending victory over the Rangers on Sunday, which sent Texas to New York on a three-game losing streak for Tuesday night's Game 1 of the Division Series against the Yankees.

Furthermore, the potent Rangers scored only three runs in the final 20 innings of the regular season.

"(It) doesn't matter," said Rafael Palmeiro, one of the Rangers' four 100-RBI men. "When we have to play ball,

this team will be ready. The whole team is looking forward to Tuesday."

It was safe to assume everyone was looking beyond Sunday.

With starters Matt Perisho and Jarrod Washburn throwing strikes and batters freely swinging, the teams completed a game that featured 22 strikeouts in 1 hour, 56 minutes.

"A game like today is a good one to have," said Texas manager Johnny Oates. "You don't want to hang around too long if you have to go to New York, or go fishing."

The recreation-bound are the Angels (70-92), ironically. It is ironic because the season-ending sweep gave them a 19-10 record after Joe Maddon became interim manager in the wake of Terry Collins' Sept. 3 resignation.

Before going 3-0 in October, the Angels were 16-12 in September, their first winning record in the month since 1991.

Comparable Septembers in recent seasons would have left the Angels sitting atop an AL West dynasty. But they finished the season with a 10-16 month in 1995 (and finished one game out), 10-15 in 1997 (six games out), and 9-15 in 1998 (three games out).

"We'd like to keep playing another month now. The guys are playing real well," Maddon said.

Such as Tim Salmon, whose seventh-inning homer off reliever Mike Morgan (13-10) provided the game's only run.

Salmon finished with 17 homers and 69 RBIs.

"A lot of guys are going to beat themselves up over the winter over what happened this season," said Salmon, who himself missed two months of it after spraining he left wrist on May 3.

The Rangers, on the other hand, merely hope to beat up the Yankees over the next week. Or at least put up a better fight than a year ago, when they were held to one run while suffering a three-game Division Series sweep to New York.

"There is better balance, and a couple of additional elements. We have more confidence," Todd Zelle said. "Usually, the team that comes hot into a five-game playoff situation can dominate and win."

Well, that wouldn't be the Rangers, whose bats remained cool Sunday.

Cowboys stay unbeaten with romp over Cards

IRVING (AP) — When the Dallas Cowboys were knocked out of the playoffs by the upstart Arizona Cardinals last season, they thought it was the worst thing that could've happened to them.

It may turn out to be the best. Having addressed the weaknesses exposed by the Cardinals in January, the Cowboys are off to their best start since 1995. Dallas improved to 3-0 Sunday by beating Arizona 35-7.

"I like the look of this team," Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith said. "We've got a lot of guys who make plays."

The contributions came from both sides of the ball, with defensive players scoring the first touchdown and the last one. All were a result of the improvements Dallas made with Arizona (1-3) in mind.

The changes allowed the Cowboys to protect their quarterback while pressuring Cardinals quarterback Jake Plummer. Dallas also was able to stretch the Arizona defense by having Raghbi Ismail as a deep threat.

"There was a lot of talk about last year's playoff game and how they came in here and beat us, but that was last year," Cowboys quarterback Troy Aikman said. "This was just a game."

It turned from a game to a rout rather quickly. Plummer's first pass ricocheted off the hands of receiver Andy McCullough and directly to safety George Teague. He returned the interception 32 yards to put Dallas ahead 7-0 just 92 seconds into the game.

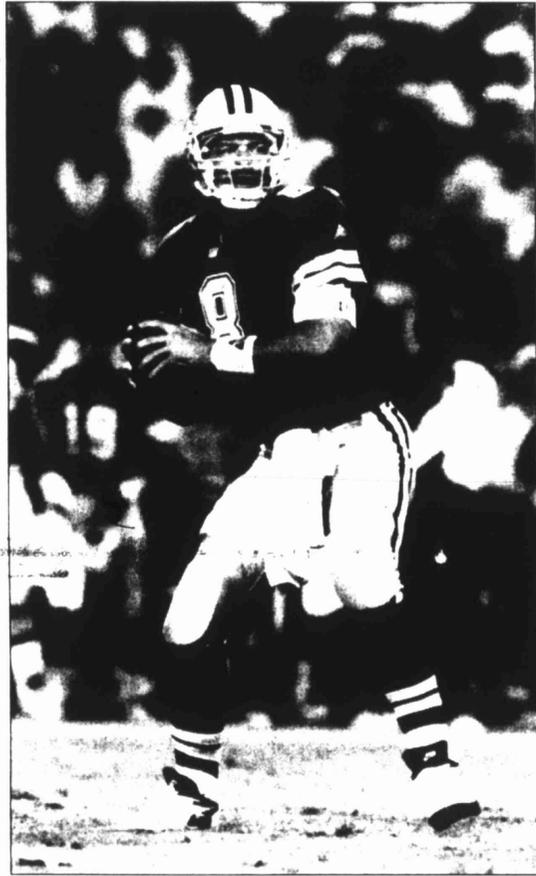
"Getting a big play that early may have sent a little panic to their side," Teague said.

Elsewhere Sunday, it was the New York Jets 21, Denver 13; Baltimore 19, Atlanta 14; Seattle 22, Oakland 21; Minnesota 21, Tampa Bay 14; Jacksonville 17, Pittsburgh 3; New England 19, Cleveland 7; Chicago 14, New Orleans 10; St. Louis 38, Cincinnati 10; the New York Giants 16, Philadelphia 15; San Francisco 24, Tennessee 22; San Diego 21, Kansas City 14; and Washington 38, Carolina 36.

Buffalo visits Miami on tonight. Green Bay, Detroit and Indianapolis were off this week.

The Cowboys led 21-0 until poor clock management saved enough time for the Cardinals to score 11 seconds before half-time. But Dallas responded by opening the third quarter with a 73-yard that lasted 7:01.

"It was important for us to get something going," Aikman



Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman threw two touchdown passes and the Cowboys' defense added two scores in a 35-7 rout of Arizona's Cardinals on Sunday. The win left the Cowboys at 3-0 and atop the NFC East standings.

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Virginia Tech jumps into AP poll's Top 5 for very first time

Aggies now 13th, Longhorns 23rd after their losses

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Virginia Tech finds itself in elite territory for the first time in school history — the Hokies cracked the top 5 in The Associated Press' Top 25 college football poll.

Following a 31-7 win over state-rival Virginia at Charlottesville, Virginia Tech (4-0) jumped three spots to No. 5 in this week's AP poll, while Florida State and Penn State remained 1-2 for the third straight week.

Before this season, the Hokies' highest ranking was No. 10 — for one week late in 1995 and in the final poll in 1996.

Nine teams in last week's Top 25 lost on Saturday, including Florida and Texas A&M. The Gators (4-1), who lost to Alabama 40-39 in overtime, fell from No. 3 to No. 8, while the Aggies (3-1) were beaten 21-19 by Texas Tech and tumbled from No. 5 to No. 13.

The Crimson Tide (4-1) jumped from No. 21 to No. 12 following their upset of Florida.

Florida State (5-0), a 51-23 winner over Duke, collected 64 first-place votes and 1,744 points from the 70 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel. Penn State (5-0), idle Saturday, was next with five first-place votes and 1,672 points.

Michigan (5-0), a 38-12 winner over Purdue, moved up a spot to No. 3 with 1,606 points; Nebraska (5-0) improved two spots to No. 4 (1,537 points) after a 38-14 win over Oklahoma State; and the Hokies rounded out the first five, receiving one first-place vote and 1,427 points.

Tennessee (3-1) was No. 6, followed by No. 7 Georgia Tech, No. 8 Florida, No. 9 Kansas State and No. 10 Georgia.

Michigan State (5-0) was No. 11, followed by No. 12 Alabama, No. 13 Texas A&M, No. 14 Mississippi State, No. 15 Marshall, No. 16 East Carolina, No. 17 Purdue, No. 18 Syracuse, No. 19 Miami and No. 20 Wisconsin.

Ohio State fell nine places to No. 21 after a 42-17 loss to Wisconsin, followed by No. 22 Southern California, No. 23 Texas, No. 24 BYU and No. 25 Minnesota, making its first Top 25 appearance since 1985.

In the USA Today/ESPN coaches' poll, the top five were Florida State, Penn State,

AP TOP 25

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses and records through Oct. 2:

Rank	Team	Record
1.	Florida St. (64)	5-0
2.	Penn St. (5)	5-0
3.	Michigan	5-0
4.	Nebraska	5-0
5.	Virginia Tech (1)	4-0
6.	Tennessee	3-1
7.	Georgia Tech	3-1
8.	Florida	4-1
9.	Kansas St.	4-0
10.	Georgia	4-0
11.	Michigan St.	5-0
12.	Alabama	4-1
13.	Texas A&M	3-1
14.	Mississippi St.	5-0
15.	Marshall	5-0
16.	East Carolina	5-0
17.	Purdue	4-1
18.	Syracuse	4-1
19.	Miami	2-2
20.	Wisconsin	3-2
21.	Ohio St.	3-2
22.	Southern Cal	3-1
23.	Texas	4-2
24.	BYU	3-1
25.	Minnesota	4-0

Others receiving votes: Mississippi 95, Wyoming 48, Oklahoma 43, Air Force 30, Pittsburgh 21, Arkansas 19, Boston College 17, Virginia 17, Southern Miss. 13, Notre Dame 12, Kentucky 9, Washington 9, Colorado St. 8, Oregon 8, Clemson 6, Maryland 6, LSU 4, Wake Forest 4, Missouri 3, Texas Tech 3, Iowa St., 2, Arizona 1.

Michigan, Nebraska and Virginia Tech.

Thirteen teams in Division I-A have perfect records, and 12 are in this week's poll. Boston College (4-0) didn't make the Top 25.

Kansas State (4-0) moved up four spots after a 35-17 win over Texas, while the Longhorns tumbled eight places.

Michigan State (5-0) moved up three spots to No. 11, and entertains Michigan Saturday in a battle of Big Ten unbeaten.

Purdue fell six places after losing at Michigan, while Wisconsin returned to the rankings after a week's absence. Also rejoining the Top 25 were Southern Cal and BYU.

Arkansas, Oklahoma, Virginia and Oregon fell out of the Top 25 after losses.

Mets, Reds in wild-card playoff; McGwire, Sosa deliver parting shots

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Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa delivered their parting shots for 1999 and Jim Leyland left the dugout, possibly forever.

Houston bid farewell to the Astrodome, Arizona completed the biggest turnaround in baseball history and Atlanta tuned up for the postseason with its biggest shutout win this century.

Still, no doubt about the NL's top story Sunday on the last scheduled day of the regular season: New York and Cincinnati both winning, forcing a one-game playoff to decide the wild-card spot.

Tonight, they'll meet at Cinergy Field. Al Leiter is likely to pitch for the Mets against Steve Parris.

"We've got to go 163 games now, but it

was worth the wait," Cincinnati manager Jack McKeon said. "Hopefully, we've just started something big."

The Reds weathered a rain delay of five hours, 47 minutes before winning at Milwaukee 7-1.

The Mets capped a crazy week for them by beating Pittsburgh 2-1 at Shea Stadium. Counted out after a late seven-game losing streak, New York completed a three-game sweep of the Pirates.

"People wrote us off. People have been writing Cincinnati off all year," reliever John Franco said after the Mets arrived at their Cincinnati hotel at 12:40 a.m. EDT. "Whoever wins, I don't think anybody will have anything to be ashamed of."

Houston wrapped up the NL Central championship with a 9-4 win over Los

Angeles. Before it began, Nolan Ryan and several other former Astros took part in ceremonies at the final regular-season game in the Astrodome.

At Busch Stadium, McGwire hit his 65th home run and Sosa hit his 63rd as St. Louis defeated Chicago 9-5 in a game shortened to 4 innings by rain.

At Turner Field, the NL East champion Atlanta Braves beat up Florida 18-0 while the NL West champion Arizona Diamondbacks won their 100th game with a 10-3 victory over San Diego.

The Colorado Rockies gave Leyland a goodbye gift in his final game as manager, scoring two runs in the bottom of the ninth inning to beat San Francisco 9-8 at Coors Field.

Also, Philadelphia defeated Montreal 6-

In American League games, Boston topped Baltimore 1-0 in 10 innings; Tampa Bay defeated New York 6-2; Toronto beat Cleveland, Anaheim edged Texas 1-0, Oakland beat Seattle 3-1 and Chicago and Minnesota played a 1-1 tie in a game stopped by rain in the seventh inning. Detroit's game at Kansas City was washed out.

Reds 7, Brewers 1

Greg Vaughn hit an early three-run homer and Pete Harnisch protected the lead as Cincinnati avoided a three-game sweep at Milwaukee.

After 10 straight hours of rain, the first pitch came at 9:52 p.m. EDT before about 500 fans. It was 45 degrees at gametime, and the players' frosty breath could be seen.

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Sense of humor is best defense against judgmental strangers

DEAR ABBY: I felt compelled to write and offer my advice to "Sweet 16 in Seattle," who is often mistaken to be her baby brother's teen-age mother.

When I was 16, my mother had my little brother and shortly after, was diagnosed with breast cancer and had a mastectomy. I happily carried my brother because my mother physically could not. I heard the "tut-tuts" from people in public, was stared at endlessly in restaurants and had people refuse to serve me in stores.

My advice to "Sweet 16" is to hold your head high. You have done nothing wrong - you do not owe anyone an explanation.

Second, and more important, take a lesson from it: Do not judge people or situations from what they "seem" to be on the outside. There are always two sides to a story.

And last, don't let it bother you so much. Enjoy your brother as much as I did mine. Seven years later we still have a special bond that I would not trade for anything - not even the approval of an often-too-quick-to-judge public. - PROUD SISTER IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR PROUD SISTER: That's sage advice. I hope "Sweet 16" reads and heeds it. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I was about 13 during the mid-'50s in San Diego - pushing my infant twin nieces around a department store while my 27-year-old sister was upstairs paying a bill. A woman stopped me and began asking me about the twins. How old? Boys or girls? About the time she got around to "Are they yours?" my sister emerged from the elevator behind me and said, "Yes. And I'm their grandmother!"

I still remember the expression on the woman's face. She never said another word as we went about our business.

I thought "Sweet 16" might get a laugh out of the story, just as I still do. - BEN THERE IN APPLE VALLEY, CALIF.

DEAR BEN THERE: I'm sure she will relate to it - as will many others. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Sweet 16's" dilemma is not a new one. As a 14-year-old back in 1944, I often cared for a neighbor's infant. One brisk winter day I bundled both of us up and took her out in her buggy. A woman I had never seen before stopped us and lectured me about having a baby when I was so young. When she finally stopped for breath, I managed to tell her I was the baby sitter, not the mother. She "humped" several times and left without apologizing.

The only way to handle things like this is with a sense of humor. Maybe the 16-year-old and her 13-year-old sister could get T-shirts that say, "I am my brother's keeper." -JOAN IN FRESNO, CALIF.

DEAR JOAN: That's a terrific idea. And just what the Good Book preaches. After all, in a sense, we are all our brother's keepers.

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troops launched an assault on the British at Germantown, Pa., with heavy American casualties.

In 1822, the 19th president of the United States, Rutherford B. Hayes, was born in Delaware, Ohio.

In 1887, the first issue of the International Herald Tribune was published as the Paris Herald Tribune.

In 1895, the first U.S. Open golf tournament was held at the Newport (R.I.) Country Club.

In 1931, the comic strip "Dick Tracy," created by Chester Gould, made its debut.

In 1940, Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini conferred at Brenner Pass in the Alps, where the Nazi leader sought Italy's help in fighting the British.

In 1958, the first transatlantic passenger jetliner service was begun, by British Overseas Airways Corporation (BOAC), with London-New York flights.

In 1970, rock singer Janis Joplin, 27, was found dead in her Hollywood hotel room.

In 1976, agriculture secretary Earl Butz resigned in the wake of a controversy over a joke he had made about blacks.

In 1978, funeral services were held at the Vatican for Pope John Paul I.

Ten years ago: Fawaz Younis, a Lebanese hijacker convicted of commandeering a Jordanian jetliner in 1985 with two Americans aboard, was sentenced in Washington to 30 years in prison.

Five years ago: Exiled Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide vowed in an address to the U.N. General Assembly to return to Haiti in 11 days. President Clinton welcomed South African President Nelson Mandela to the White House.

One year ago: Russian envoys warned Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic that NATO might launch air-strikes unless he took "decisive measures" to end the humanitarian crisis in the southern province of Kosovo. Brazilian President Fernando Henrique Cardoso won re-election.

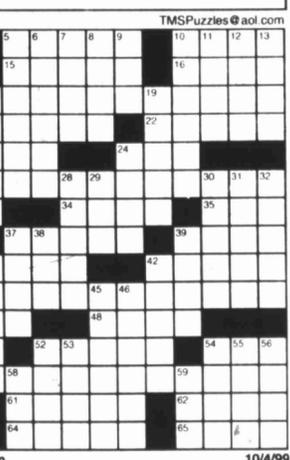
Today's Birthdays: Comedian Jan Murray is 82. Actor Charlton Heston is 75. Country singer Leroy Van Dyke is 70. Actress Felicia Farr is 67. Actor Eddie Applegate is 64. Author Jackie Collins is 58. Author Anne Rice is 58. Actor Clifton Davis is 54. Actress Susan Sarandon is 53. Actor Armand Assante is 50. Actor Alan Rosenberg is 49. Producer Russell Simmons is 42. Musician Chris Lowe (The Pet Shop Boys) is 40. Country musician Gregg "Hobie" Hubbard (Sawyer Brown) is 39. Actor David W. Harper is 38.

THE Daily Crossword

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