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WEATHER

Today:



PARTLY CLOUDY
TODAY 65°-70° TONIGHT 43°-47°

Rosebud group to adopt BSSH

Rosebud Garden Club is adopting the entrance at Big Spring State Hospital and will be on campus Tuesday to plant flowers and other landscaping.

State hospital plans open house

The public is invited to an open house Thursday at the Big Spring State Hospital's new animal-assisted therapy building. The event begins at 12:45 p.m.

Cake and punch will be served and tours of the building will be provided. It houses programs that use animals to teach patients life skills, and was funded with help from the Volunteer Services Council and its fundraising projects.

For more information about the building or the open house, call the Community Relations Office at BSSH, 268-7535.

WHAT'S UP...

MONDAY

□ 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.

□ If you have a student currently enrolled at Texas A&M, please meet us at the Spanish Inn at 7 p.m.

□ Gospel singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City.

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

□ Optimist Club, 7 a.m.,

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Play tryouts greeted enthusiastically

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Al Scott, David Drake and Carroll Jennings will head the cast of the holiday production of "A Christmas Carol."

Scott will portray Scrooge, whose holiday



GRIZZLE

nightmare makes up the main plot of the holiday favorite. Drake will appear as Charles Dickens, the author, who reads from his work in this version. Jennings is Scrooge's former partner, Jacob Marley.

Director Clay Grizzle said the auditions earlier this week were a huge success. "I was hoping to have enough people to put this show together, and as it turns out, I won't even be able to use everyone who came to auditions. It's not that they weren't good; it's just

there is no room for them on the stage!"

Grizzle said he thinks the show is so popular because it is so familiar.

"Everyone likes the story. They all know Tiny Tim, the ghosts..." he said.

At least 35 children and more than 30 adults tried out for parts in the play, giving Grizzle hope for a renewed interest in more community theater projects.

Some of the other players

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Sue Sanchez's 4- and 5-year-old students Aaron Hall, Jacinda Hernandez, Ricky Shubert and Angelica Cantu observed Big Spring Human Society employee Susan Saunders bottle feed a 2-week-old kitten during a tour of the facility by Sanchez's and Gloria Martinez's Go Project head Start classes.

Big Spring Symphony needs host families to help house Texas Boys Choir members

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

Big Spring Symphony volunteers are seeking host families for members of the Texas Boys Choir, which is planning a local concert Nov. 13.

Choir members, who are about ages 11-17, will need a place to stay overnight when they arrive in Big Spring for the show. About 15 homes are being sought to house two boys each.

"These are very well-behaved boys," explained Pam Brewer, vice president of the Symphony. "They have a strict set of guidelines they are to follow at all times."

She said there are no specific stipulations for the host families — they can be retired people or younger families with children. Anyone with an extra room who has a little extra time to give on Nov. 13-14 can help.

"The boys will arrive about 5 p.m. that Saturday, and they have a rehearsal planned at 5:30," Brewer said. "The host families will need to pick the boys up after the rehearsal, feed them dinner and then have them back at the auditorium for the concert."

The Boys Choir concert begins at 8 p.m. in the Municipal Auditorium.

After the show, host families should take their boys home where they will stay overnight,

TO HELP

Call Pam Brewer at 267-7683 as soon as possible.

eat breakfast and then meet the bus early the next morning.

"We think the bus will depart Sunday by about 8:30 a.m.," Brewer said.

Guidelines for the boys' overnight stay include a restriction on making phone calls, playing contact sports, and a requirement to be in bed by 10:30 p.m. They are not supposed to drink soft drinks

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Early vote turnout low in amendments election

HERALD Staff Report

Howard County citizens weren't exactly standing in line to vote in the early balloting portion of Tuesday's constitutional amendments election. Only 331 ballots were cast.

"That's pretty poor," said County Clerk Donna Wright. It amounts to just 1.8 percent

VOTE

For a brief explanation of each amendment and reasons to vote for or against, see Page 3A.

of the county's 18,580 registered voters.

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Trade

Ports-to-Plains Corridor proponents to gather for key conference this week

By JOHN H. WALKER

Editor

The region's long-range future will be a topic of primary discussion Thursday and Friday when proponents of the Ports-to-Plains Trade Corridor will gather in Lubbock this to discuss the future of the trade route.

Local, state and federal officials are expected to be joined by representatives from both Canada and Mexico at the meeting at the Holiday Inn Civic Center. In all, more than 250 persons had registered by Friday afternoon.

A number of representatives are expected to attend from Big Spring and Howard County.

"This can be so important to us and our economic future," explained Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce President Chuck Williams. "This means there are others who share our long-time feelings about the viability of this route as a trade corridor."

Preliminary efforts on behalf of the corridor, which has been added to and designated as a "high priority" project on the U.S. National Highway System Map, began as a way to explore the potential of an international trade route.

Initially, the route originated along the Texas-Mexico border between Brownsville and Del Rio and proceeded through San Angelo, Big Spring, Lubbock and Amarillo and on to Denver.



There was also interest in exploring route options from Denver to Canada and the Pacific Northwest.

Since the initial efforts, the Ports-to-Plains Trade Corridor Coalition — of which Big Spring, Howard County, Lamesa and Dawson County are all members — has been organized and nearly \$500,000 raised to help promote the corridor efforts.

In addition, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) allocated \$1.5 million to a feasibility study.

South of Lubbock, the Ports-to-Plains Corridor follows the same route first proposed in 1992 by the Transportation Committee of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and again in 1996 and 1997 during the I-27 feasibility studies.

"This route ties in with the Agritech Corridor, which is designed to help with rural economic development," Williams added. "This route is on the national highway system map, which means it is going to happen."

"It is up to all of us in the coalition to ensure that it happens in a way that is beneficial for all of us."

Committee working to make Festival of Lights bigger, better

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

This year's Comanche Trail Festival of Lights promises to be bigger and brighter than ever.

That is thanks in no small part to a committee of three, Dana Duncan, Bobby McDonald and Tommy Corwin.

The volunteers mapped out and supervised major rerouting of electrical wiring and placement of new outlets — all aimed at bringing more electricity to the holiday display.

Festival of Lights begins Dec. 4, with a festive display of lighted designs throughout areas of Comanche Trail Park.

It will be open for driving tours each evening through Dec. 31.

"Without them (the electrical committee), we couldn't do any of what we are planning this year," said Gloria McDonald, publicity chairperson for the festival.

Duncan said the work all had to be done without damaging the natural beauty of the park. Poles were painted neutral colors and hidden among shrubs.

"If you don't know where the stuff is, you would never see it," Duncan said. Electrical contractors ran yards of under-

ground wires, which will replace many of the extension cords used last year.

For their work, the volunteers and the festival committee received a payoff — they will have three times the amount of electricity available this year compared to last year.

"We are so excited about what we can create this year," said McDonald, detailing a plan to start the lighting at the park entrance on South Highway 87, continuing it along the hike and bike trail to the historic spring.

Visitors will be greeted at the start by the messages, "Peace," and "Happy Holidays." Lighted "deer" will graze under park trees, and a nativity scene will be featured at the culmination.

This year the whole system will be on timers, so no volunteers will have to turn it on and off.

Committee members have been busy for weeks already, planning, ordering new additions to the displays and working at the site.

Now that much of the electrical work is complete, they can begin stringing the lights over trees, or wire and plastic frames that make up the holiday messages, designs and figures.



Dana Duncan, committee volunteer for the Comanche Trail Festival of Lights, looks over a new electrical outlet that was installed in the park recently. Thanks to hours of work by contractors and volunteers, there will be three times as much electricity available for the lighted displays this year compared with last year.

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OBITUARIES

Iva Lee Chambers

Iva Lee Chambers, 86, of Olney, died Thursday, Oct. 28, 1999, in her residence. Services will be 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, 1999, at the Southside Baptist Church with the Rev. Hershel Reed, of Olney, the Rev. Andy Graham, pastor of the Southside Baptist Church, and the Rev. Bill Solesbee, of Dallas, officiating. Burial will follow in the Restland Cemetery under the direction of Lunn Funeral Home of Olney.

Mrs. Chambers was born Aug. 9, 1913, in Taylor County, to the late Joseph N. and Etta Jane (Smith) Bradshaw. She and Forrest Clinton "Muggs" Chambers were married Dec. 14, 1938, in Stanton. He preceded her in death on Dec. 5, 1996. She was a homemaker and a retired nurse. She was the oldest living member of the Southside Baptist Church. She had been a resident of Olney since 1934.

Survivors include: one son, Charles Chambers of Olney; two daughters, Charlene Rinard of Big Spring, and Alice Eichman of Olney; nine grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made to the Southside Baptist Church; P.O. Box 155; Olney; 76374.

Hazel D. Lawrence

Hazel D. Lawrence. Born April 4, 1910 in Fort Worth Texas. Died Oct. 29, 1999, in Houston, Texas. She was the daughter of Arthur and Flora Deffebach of Fort Worth. She graduated from Fort Worth Central High School in 1927 and received a B.A. degree from Southwestern University in Georgetown in 1930. She also attended TCU and SMU.

At Southwestern University she met and married Kelley E. Lawrence of Bartlett, Texas, in 1930. They lived in Calvert, Bryan, Bastrop and Bartlett before moving to Big Spring in 1940, where Mr. Lawrence accepted a position with Burton Lingo Lumber Company. In 1942, she began a 33-year career as a schoolteacher in the Big Spring Independent School District, retiring in 1975. She helped open Park Hill Elementary in 1952, teaching the third grade until her retirement.

She was active in the Big Spring Chapter of the Texas State Teacher's Association and in Republican Party affairs in Big Spring for many years. She was a long time member of St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Mr. Lawrence predeceased her in 1968.

To be near family, she moved to El Paso in 1987, then to Houston in 1996. Her spiritual influence was felt by many and she will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Survivors include her three sons and their families, Kelley E. Lawrence II and wife Joyce of Houston, the Rev. John A. Lawrence and wife Waynoka, of Kerrville, Texas, and Kennard T. Lawrence of Houston. Also, seven grandchildren, Dennis Lawrence of Houston, David Lawrence of Reston, Va., Donald Lawrence of Charlotte, N.C., Karen Bouvier of New Orleans, La., Kelley Adams of Lafayette, La., Kimberly Brooks of Fort Campbell, Ky., and

Kevin Lawrence of Houston. Also by six great-grandchildren and a sister, Dorothy Deffebach White of Beaumont.

Requiem Communion in celebration of her life on Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1999, at 10:30 a.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, with the Rev. James Liggett and Steve Birdwell officiating.

In remembrance, the family suggests contributions to the Capital Funds Drive, St. Mary's Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 2949, Big Spring, Texas, 79921-2949.

Paid obituary

Lottie Margie Shafer

Lottie Margie Shafer, 76, of Kerrville, died Friday, Oct. 29, 1999, in a Kerrville care center. She was born Aug. 9, 1923, in Rockwood, Texas, and was a housewife. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

She married William A. Shafer on July 30, 1945, in Breckenridge, Texas.

Survivors are her husband, William A. "Bill" Shafer of Kerrville; three daughters, Peggy Shafer Abernathy of Midland, Texas, Barbara Shafer Wallace and husband Ron of Kerrville and Linda Shafer Prewitt and husband Jim, son Jimmy A. Shafer and wife, Tanja, of Amarillo; a sister, Dee Simpson of Fort Worth, Texas; a brother, Roscoe Simmons of Clyde, Texas; nine grandchildren, Ty, Eric, Amber and Tara Shafer, Trey and Courtney Abernathy and Monty, Mark and Leann Prewitt; and two great-grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1999, at 1:30 p.m. at Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery with Rev. Joseph Fegenbush officiating.

Those who desire may make memorial contributions to Sid Peterson Hospice.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Grimes Funeral Chapels of Kerrville.

Paid obituary

Melvin Jarnagin

Melvin "Jack" Jarnagin, 89, of Coahoma and formerly of Colorado City, died Friday, Oct. 29, 1999, at his residence. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1999, in the Kiker-Seale Chapel with Rev. Elwin Collom officiating. Burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery.

Mr. Jarnagin was born Oct. 18, 1910 in Mitchell County. He married Hattie L. Barber on May 21, 1921, in Colorado City. She preceded him in death on Oct. 9, 1991. He was a retired lumberman and a member of the First Baptist Church in Coahoma, where he was a deacon.

He was also preceded in death by a daughter, Lou Clawson.

Survivors include a son-in-law, Dwayne Clawson of Coahoma; a grandson, Larry Clawson of Midland; two great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

PLAY

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include Vincent Clemons Sr., who will portray Bob Cratchit and Connie Tubbs who will play

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CORRECTION NOTICE

In our Sears November 3rd mailer, the Hitachi television appearing on page 10 is incorrectly identified as Ultravision. This television is a Hitachi. The pricing, the Sears stock number and the manufacturer's stock number are correct as shown for the Hitachi television. Also, in our Sears November 5th newspaper insert, a Hewlett-Packard computer bundle was incorrectly pictured instead of the correct Compaq computer bundle. The copy and price are correct for the Compaq computer. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause our customers.

the Ghost of Christmas Past. Kathy McDiffit will be the Ghost of Christmas Present, and the eerie Ghost of Christmas Future will be played by Edward Slate.

Costumes will be borrowed from Midland Community Theater, but there is plenty of preparation to be done, including props and scenery, Grizzle said.

Help is still needed in many backstage jobs. Grizzle said he will probably need at least 10 people working backstage each night just to keep the show going with costume changes and moving furniture.

The first meeting of the cast was Thursday evening, when they read the script and planned the particulars for the rest of the rehearsals.

"We've got some wonderful people; this is going to be a lot of fun," Grizzle said. Anyone interested in helping with "A Christmas Carol" can call Grizzle at Howard College, 264-5000, or contact a cast member and attend a rehearsal.

FAMILIES

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before their concert, and should never be left at the house alone.

The choir members are in grades four through nine, chosen from singers from all over the Lone Star State. They attend an accredited private school in Fort Worth and sing at touring engagements throughout the year.

Interested families should call Brewer at 267-7683, so she can put your name and some information on a list to be faxed to the Boys Choir. Officials there will determine which boys will be assigned to which homes.

Host homes need to be found for all the boys by the end of the week if possible, so potential host families should call as soon as possible.

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Howard College Cactus Room.
Senior Circle Big Spring Mall Walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.

Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizen Center, 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
Gideon's 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
AMBUCS, noon, Brandin' Iron Restaurant.
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per, 5-7:30 p.m. at the school cafeteria. Dinners consist of pancakes, bacon, sausage, butter, juice, milk and coffee, and adults are \$5 and children 12 and under are free.

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

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. 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.
Big Spring Squares call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

MEETINGS

MOORE DEVELOPMENT FOR BIG SPRING
9 a.m. Monday, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce board room

Items on the agenda include:
Executive session to discuss property regarding Signal Homes, StarTek and ARS99
Action as a result of executive session
Incentive package to Solitaire Homes
Incentive package to StarTek, Inc.
Incentive package to ARS99.

GLASSCOCK COUNTY ISD

7 p.m. Monday, Garden City

Agenda items include:
Superintendent search discussion
Process, timelines, salary range and benefits for superintendent
Select search consultant.

SUPPORT GROUPS

SUNDAY
Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.
NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

MONDAY
TOPS Club (Take off pound sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian church, 21st and Goliad.
Project Freedom, Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
Alzheimer's support group, 7 p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 N. Lancaster, first Mondays of each month. Call Galyann Gamble at 263-1271.



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen

Big Spring Junior High School eighth grader Leina Braxton carves a pumpkin in her math class. Miss Wood's and Mrs. Toombs' math classes worked with pumpkins all week, estimating the number of seeds, measuring the circumference and then carving faces in geometric shapes.

TEXAS LOTTERY

Lotto: 7,12,21,22,23,39

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

POLICE

Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Friday and noon Saturday:

- BRANDY NUGENT, 23, was arrested on an Ellis County warrant.
- EUSBIO SAIZ, 60, was arrested for public intoxication.
- JERRY MARQUEZ, 41, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.
- LARRY WHITE, 27, was arrested for resisting arrest.
- GREGORY GREEN, no age available, was arrested for public intoxication.
- SHOTS FIRED was reported in the 1300 block of Monmouth.
- MAJOR ACCIDENTS were reported at Fourth and Goliad and Westover and FM700.
- BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE was reported in the 1200 block of West Second and the 1800 block of E. Marcy.
- HARASSMENT was reported in the 500 block of Westover.
- DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported at 120 Airbase.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 4200 block of Parkway.
- THEFT was reported in the 2900 block of East 1-20, the 2300 block of Wason and the 1900 block of Marcy.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1800 block of Winston.
- MINOR ACCIDENTS were reported in the 1000 block of Gregg, Eighth and Lancaster, the 200 block of West Marcy and the 1100 block of Gregg.

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Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce
Presents
Increasing Professional Effectiveness Seminar
Tuesday, November 2, 1999
Place: Chamber Board Room (215 W. 3rd)
Time: 7:00 pm-9:00 pm
Presented by: Liz Lowery
Some of the main topics of the workshop will be:
(1) To increase awareness of the role that "character" plays in our effectiveness
(2) To help participants understand the way that character and competence combined together create trust
(3) To assist participants in seeing themselves, others, and situation more accurately
(4) To become more aware of how to maintain production and the resources that help produce that productivity
Chamber Members \$10 Non-Members \$25
FOR RESERVATIONS CALL
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VOTE

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Arguments for and against each of the 17 proposed constitutional amendments on Tuesday's election ballot. The amendments were placed on the ballot after receiving votes from two-thirds of the House and Senate.

Sources for the summaries included the House Research Organization and the League of Women Voters of Texas.

PROPOSITION

1 Clarifying the line of succession to the governor's office. Requires lieutenant governor to forfeit office if he or she fills permanent vacancy in governor's office. Lieutenant governor's office would be filled within 30 days by election among senators.

Arguments against: Provide certainty for the succession of the office of governor should governor become unable to perform duties. Clarifies beyond question that if lieutenant governor fills permanent vacancy for governor, he or she cannot hold both offices.

Arguments against: The amendment is unnecessary because in the past the lieutenant governor has filled the vacancy and a senator has taken his or her place. In all four successions under the current constitution, the lieutenant governor has assumed the office of governor, not just the power and responsibility.

PROPOSITION

2 Revise current provisions that authorize reverse mortgages, including increasing

the minimum age of a borrower or spouse from 55 to 62 years.

Arguments for: Provides legal framework to develop market for reverse mortgages. Older homeowners can supplement monthly income with equity they have built in their homesteads.

Arguments against: Reverse mortgages would be too restrictive under this proposal. Like other states, Texas should let homeowners establish lines of credit in addition to, or instead of, lump-sum or periodic advances. Provisions should be in statute, not constitution.

PROPOSITION

3 Eliminate outdated and duplicative portions of the constitution such as aid to indigent or disabled Confederate soldiers.

Arguments for: Streamlines constitution by removing obsolete provisions and does not make any substantive changes to law.

Arguments against: It would make more sense to completely rewrite the state constitution so voters don't have to amend and repeat sections every two years.

PROPOSITION

4 Allow the Legislature to exempt from property taxes property owned by "primarily" charitable organizations.

Arguments for: Clarifies whether legitimate charities that now receive property tax exemptions can conduct auxiliary activities without endangering their tax-exempt status. Most taxing entities already exempt senior centers and other charities from property taxes.

Arguments against: Charities could be organized to meet the letter but not the spirit of the constitution to gain tax exemptions. Exemptions for organizations that are not purely charitable are inappropriate.

PROPOSITION

5 Allow state employees to be paid when serving on local government boards.

Arguments for: Increases available talent pool of candidates for local governments.

Arguments against: State employees are already paid by taxpayers and would be dipping into public pockets twice.

PROPOSITION

6 Expands the maximum size of an urban homestead to 10 acres.

Arguments for: Gives more Texans the right and freedom to use their own property as security for a loan. Most who would benefit are not wealthy but own slightly more than one or two acres and need to use homestead equity for loan collateral.

Arguments against: Expanding to 10 acres goes too far and would benefit mostly wealthy people. Texas already has the most liberal homestead protection of any state and is known as a haven for people who can buy expensive homes and then file for bankruptcy, knowing their property is protected from most creditors.

PROPOSITION

7 Allows garnishment of wages to enforce court-ordered spousal support after divorce.

Arguments for: Spousal maintenance is difficult to enforce without a garnishment provision. Would be effective against spouses who do not respond to court orders or default judgments.

Arguments against: Not necessary in state where divorcing spouses divide most assets acquired during the marriage. Many spouses of lesser means, who may already be paying child support, would be placed in an even worse position. Spousal maintenance payments are used to support adults who may be capable of supporting themselves.

PROPOSITION

8 Specifies that the adjutant general serves at the governor's discretion.

Arguments for: Provides better leadership for the state's military forces with longer term and additional oversight by the governor. Makes adjutant general wholly accountable to the governor who could dismiss him or her at any time for any reason.

Arguments against: Increases power of governor over important segment of state services and would limit legislative oversight of state's military forces.

PROPOSITION

9 Creation of a judicial compensation commission.

Arguments for: In the past, the

Legislature's determination of judicial salaries has been criticized as political, in part because lawmakers' retirement plans are linked to judicial salaries. An impartial review of judicial salaries allows the issue to be examined independent of legislative retirement debate.

Arguments against: Gives commission authority best left to the Legislature. Elected officials should determine how much judges are paid from taxpayers' money. Giving appointed commission even limited lawmaking authority sets a bad precedent and blurs the separation of powers.

PROPOSITION

10 Specifies that the health and human services commissioner serves at the governor's discretion.

Arguments for: Increases accountability for commissioner, whose power over health and human services agencies has grown. Creates additional oversight by the governor although Legislature still could review performance and set agency spending priorities.

Arguments against: Could give governor too much power over significant segment of state services. Could create service disruptions if commissioner is removed by the governor at any time without Senate consent.

PROPOSITION

11 Allow political subdivisions, such as cities or school districts, to buy nonassessable property and casualty insurance from mutual insurers.

Arguments for: Would increase competition and therefore reduce insurance costs for the political subdivision. Texas has allowed them to hold nonassessable mutual policies for life, health or accident insurance since 1986.

Arguments against: It is unwise for political subdivisions to become "owners" of private entities by purchasing policies from mutual insurance company. There is no obvious lack of competition or widespread demand to acquire such coverage.

PROPOSITION

12 Allows Legislature to exempt vehicles leased for personal use from property taxes.

Arguments for: Eliminates "double tax" on people who lease a vehicle for personal use. They currently pay a sales tax on the lease and may pay property tax as well. About 65 percent of cars leased in Texas are for personal use.

Arguments against: Creates a special class of exempt property for the benefit of the vehicle-leasing industry. The Legislature should instead require local appraisers to inform consumers of their policies for taxing leased vehicles.

PROPOSITION

13 Authorizes \$400 million in bonds for college student loans.

Arguments for: College tuition continues to rise and money would support the Hinson-Hazelwood student loan program, which has helped more than 265,000 low- and middle-income Texans attend college since 1965.

Arguments against: The state should not take on more debt, especially in competition with private lenders. The state should not encourage student debt.

PROPOSITION

14 Allow state boards to have an odd number of three or more members. The number of members would no longer have to be divisible by three. Creates an exception for boards required by the constitution.

Arguments for: Requirement that odd number of members serve on board or commission would prevent ties in voting and assure that decisions are made.

Arguments against: It should not be necessary for a board or commission to have an odd number of members to make decisions.

PROPOSITION

15 Allow spouses to convert separate property to community property.

Arguments for: Upon a

spouse's death, separate property is taxed more heavily. This amendment would offer tax relief to surviving spouses who converted their property to community property.

Arguments against: A spouse should be able to share only what is earned during marriage and should be protected from having his or her separate property taken away upon divorce or death, regardless of how that property was used during marriage.

PROPOSITION

16 Revises population brackets and the number of justice of the peace and constable precincts in some counties. Counties over 50,000 would have between four and eight precincts. Counties between 18,000 and 50,000 would have between two and eight precincts.

Arguments for: Allows more flexibility that current system for local decision making regarding the number of precincts.

Arguments against: Proposition 16 would allow some counties to avoid increasing the number of precincts even though population growth justifies the need for additional services. The 2001 Legislature would be better informed to make those decisions after the release of 2000 Census data.

PROPOSITION

17 Gives regents of the University of Texas and Texas A&M University systems more flexibility in managing assets of the Permanent University Fund, allowing them to spend currently restricted portions.

Arguments for: An additional \$33 million could be pulled from the \$7.5 billion fund if universities are allowed to spend a limited amount of the capital gains the fund generates.

Arguments against: The more conservative strategy is to continue reinvesting capital gains. A change could make the fund dependent on a continuous flow of capital gains that could be severely affected by the stock market.

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OUR VIEWS

Looking forward to an improved Moss Creek Lake

This past week, Big Spring City Council voted to close Moss Creek Lake for three to four months in order to make some improvements. The funds saved by not paying a groundskeeper, plus added funds from other sources, will be the source of revenue for those renovations.

While there is some apprehension about the closing, the city's intentions, we feel, are positive. Those who frequent the lake will no doubt miss being able to go there this winter, but by the time spring arrives, a lot of work will have been accomplished, we are told.

To help ensure the tasks are accomplished, Councilman Joann Smoot wisely insisted that a list of proposed projects be submitted to the council. While that list hasn't been finalized as yet, we have a good idea of what some of them will be. As outlined by Assistant City Manager Emma Bogard, they include construction of a dump station, bringing in sand for a beach near the swimming area, installing playground equipment, planting trees, sealcoating the road and repairing docks, restrooms and pavilions. Bogard also wants to see about getting the lake restocked.

Those are all excellent ideas for enhancing the small lake, and we look forward to seeing them come into reality.

Those improvements aren't the only answer, of course. Additional funding through grants for future improvements at the lake should be sought, and the city should consider placing monies in the budget annually for upkeep of the facility. Finally, Moss Creek Lake should be actively promoted as a recreation area.

Closing the lake will be worth it if the city moves in a timely fashion to complete the projects it outlines. We believe the city will do that, and we'll all be pleased and proud when Moss Creek Lake reopens.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

On behalf of the Big Spring High School Student Council, and the student body, we would like to make a public thank you to the City of Big Spring for their support in our annual homecoming bonfire.

The bonfire that was held on Thursday night of homecoming week at the compost site, was a huge success thanks to the following persons: a special thank you to Perry Hall, compost supervisors who coordinated the bonfire, and to Bobby White, who would also like to express our appreciation to the 25 inmates and guard from the TDCJ W-4 Wilderness Work Camp, Squad 3-5-6, for building the bonfire.

Wade Roberts, Jay Lopez, James Darling, and Cody Ridge of the Utilities Department. Frank Chapman, Charles Rhodes, and Noe Galindo of the Landfill Department, and Robert Olivas, Jose Chavez and Frank Rodriguez of the Street Department. We also say thank you to the Fire Chief, Burr Lee Settles, and the firemen of the Big Spring Fire Department who were at the bonfire, and last but not least, Gary Fuqua

of the City of Big Spring for giving permission to have the bonfire.

Our sincere thanks also goes to the Big Spring Police Department and the officers who were in attendance at the homecoming parade on Friday. We were especially privileged to have the Police Honor Guard unit lead the parade. We appreciate each of the officers who helped during the parade, and Chief of Police, Lonnie Smith, for allowing us to hold the parade.

We believe the community of Big Spring needs to know how our city works with our school to help make our homecoming activities possible. Thank you to the City of Big Spring for your "Steer Support."

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CRACK: There must be a better answer

A controversial program to decrease the number of children born addicted to crack is sparking both cheers and cries of genocide. Called CRACK (Children Requiring a Caring Community), the California-based group pays crack-addicted women and men \$200 to be sterilized or go on a long-term birth-control method.

At this date, 86 women have accepted the money and the birth control, 59 have opted for the surgery. While hundreds of men have responded to the billboards located in California and key cities like Minneapolis and New York, none have as yet actually been sterilized.

The nonprofit group has been around for two years and has received handsome funding from people like Dr. Laura Schlessinger (who has donated both \$10,000 and plenty of air

time to the group) and bigger donations from businesses and individuals like Aldous Huxley, the author of "A Brave New World."

"We get checks for \$10; we get checks from very wealthy people, too. We have received sustained attention for the last two years from people from all walks of life. We don't have a problem with money," Barbara Harris, the organization's founder, told us. Harris has no idea what the annual operating expenses are or what kind of intake the group has seen this year.

Harris, the adoptive mother of four crack babies, tells us she doesn't take a paycheck for her nationwide labor, which is to "put a chapter in every major city in the country and a billboard in every town."

She acknowledges that her program is controversial, including the recent firestorm in Oakland, Calif., when a CRACK billboard was pulled down by an angry crowd. The crowd accused Harris' group of racism and attempting to neuter the poor.

Federal sterilization statutes have been on the books since 1979 that require informed consent and explanation of contraceptive alternatives, but there appear to be no other legal

roadblocks to CRACK's program.

"It is not like we drag women off the street and force them to be sterilized," Harris told us. The women are sent literature to read, they make their choice, and CRACK picks up the medical costs and cuts a check for \$200. "What is ironic," Harris says, "is that we have nothing to do with the decision, but critics don't trust a crack-addicted woman to make a decision about whether or not to be sterilized. But she is in a position to be a mother? It is ridiculous."

Or is it? The idea of paying people for mutilation may or may not be illegal, depending upon the interpretations of various federal, state and local laws, but it certainly should give us pause. After all, to the extent that the sterilization is irreversible, it amounts to a life sentence for a drug user. This is all the more interesting when considered in the context of Harris' own admitted drug use.

However, a serious problem does exist. Of the 86 women who participated in the CRACK program, 37 are Caucasian, 34 are African-American and 15 are Hispanic. The great majority of these women are from California. Those 86 clients had

a combined 622 pregnancies among them. Of those pregnancies, 232 were aborted, 390 were brought full-term and of those births, 64 died and 240 are in foster care.

Between 1992 and 1996, 12,338 crack babies were born in Los Angeles alone. And of the babies that are taken from their mothers to be raised by foster parents, only 25 percent are reunited with their birth parents, meaning that 75 percent of crack-addicted mothers never recover sufficiently to care for their children.

Harris pushed for legislation in 1995 to make it a felony crime for women to bear a crack-addicted baby. A California state senator drew up the law with her, providing a provision for forcing the crack-addicted mothers to participate in a long-term birth-control program. The measure was struck down.

Clearly, the problem needs to be addressed, but paying people for sterilization cannot be the answer.

As one women's advocate said, "The essence of this campaign is profound hatred against poor people. It presupposes that addicted poor women have no redeemable qualities and their children have no contribution to make."



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U.S. might not meet definition of free society

Americans these days seem to think more about economic well-being than political freedom. I would just remind them that the two go together. There are no unfree but prosperous people that I know of except in the inner circles of a few gangster governments.

Let's look at some of the characteristics of a free society and at how the United States in 1999 stacks up. Private property rights are essential. Without the right to acquire, own, use and keep property, no one can become economically independent, and everyone who is economically dependent is not really free. Unfortunately, the U.S. government is constantly assaulting the property rights of the American people by abusing

environmental laws and eminent domain.

An inviolable constitution or basic law is essential. The American revolutionists gave the American people a nearly perfect basic law, but it has been torn to shreds. Few Americans today seem to even care if the government does or does not obey the Constitution.

A judicial system that applies the law but never legislates by interpretation is the keystone to the rule of law. Our judicial system has become a nightmare because of the bad habit of legislating under the guise of interpretation and by refusing to recognize limits imposed by the Constitution and even statutes.

Another key ingredient is a stable monetary system in which the money retains its value. Here again, thanks to the Federal Reserve Act, American citizens are denied a stable monetary system. The Constitution, by the way, gives Congress the right to coin money and set its value; it does not say Congress can give that power to a private central bank.

A free and independent press is also necessary for a free society. Our press is free, but unfortunately it is hardly independent, having become by and large a mouthpiece for the liberal establishment.

A knowledge of the past is, also a characteristic of a free society. People who don't know the past are, as one clever writer put it, condemned to remain children. People whose knowledge of the past is nothing more than propaganda designed to support contemporary views are being set up to be slaves.

Defined and defended borders are also necessary for a free society. A nation consists of people within a defined area. If the borders are wide open, the nation will essentially cease to exist and will become something else, depending on who migrates into the area.

As politically incorrect as it may be, the America of a written constitution which recognizes individual rights is a product of the English. Our Bill of Rights is an echo of the Magna Carta. It took the English a long time to develop

a political philosophy that recognized individual rights, and we are the beneficiaries of that long process.

Thus, while multiculturalism may be all right when it comes to food and music, America's political traditions owe nothing to Hispanic, Asian or African cultures. Thus, people, whatever their origin, who wish to appreciate what is politically unique and valuable about America must study its English history and traditions.

Finally, a free society must have a moral people. As touchy as this topic is for the depraved and self-indulgent elements, the less that people can govern their own passions and behavior, the more order the government will try to impose by law and regulation. There is an inverse proportion between the number of laws on the books and the decency of the people being governed.

I fear, however, that freedom is one of those things appreciated by most people only in its absence.

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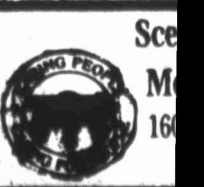
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U.S. lawmakers welcome Mexico's delay of controversial car policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas congressmen on Friday applauded Mexico's decision to delay a controversial policy that would have charged motorists in U.S.-registered cars refundable cash deposits of up to \$800 to enter the Mexican interior.

Amid mounting U.S. criticism that the policy would harm trade and tourism, government officials in Mexico City said Thursday that they would postpone implementation of the measure. They also said some of

the program's more controversial aspects will be changed before the policy takes effect by year's end.

On Capitol Hill, where border-state lawmakers complained the proposal was contrary to NAFTA's spirit of open borders, the delay was welcomed. But U.S. politicians said they will continue to press Mexico for additional changes.

"I'm hoping that they either dramatically revise the fee structure or come up with an

alternative that would serve the same purpose for them," Rep. Silvestre Reyes, D-El Paso, said.

Reyes, who serves on the U.S.-Mexico Interparliamentary Group that hashes out border issues affecting both nations, said he will press for a meeting next week with Jesus Reyes Heróles, Mexico's ambassador to the United States.

"I'm still concerned about this," Silvestre Reyes said. "It's a situation that I think will negatively impact the number of

people that are going to consider going into Mexico."

The Mexican Embassy in Washington said the deposits will be based on a sliding scale of: \$400 for automobiles made in 1993 or earlier, \$600 for models from 1994 to 1998; and \$800 for those made this year or later. The fees would be refunded when the cars returned to the United States.

Mexican officials have defended the fee as necessary to discourage people from selling

U.S.-registered vehicles in Mexico. The officials said the black market deprives the Mexican treasury of car-sale duties and undermines a domestic auto industry that represents 2.5 percent of the country's gross domestic product and provides roughly 1.5 million jobs.

About 1 million of Mexico's 14 million vehicles are illegal, government officials said.

Officials in Mexico City said they will revise the policy to

address two major criticisms: That the cash-only requirement is too burdensome and should be expanded to credit card deposits; and that travelers leaving Mexico not be required to depart from the same border crossing they entered.

"If U.S. and Mexican officials get together for serious discussion, we should be able to devise an alternative that can meet the goals of crime prevention and open travel," said Rep. Ciro Rodriguez, D-San Antonio.

Lawsuit that raised allegations against Bush settled

DALLAS (AP) — A settlement was reached Friday in a former Texas Lottery director's lawsuit against the lottery operator — a legal fight that threatened to involve Gov. George W. Bush.

Under the settlement, former Lottery executive director Lawrence Littwin will receive \$300,000 from Gtech, the Rhode Island-based operator of the Lottery. The company, however, maintained its innocence and said settling was "a business decision."

Littwin sued Gtech after he was fired by the Lottery Commission in 1997, claiming Gtech schemed to get him fired just six months after he took the job. The company said Littwin was seeking \$2.6 million in damages.

Littwin's firing was lost in publicity about the case, which instead focused on Littwin's suggestions that during the Vietnam War, Bush received preferential treatment in 1968 to enter the Texas Air National Guard. Bush denied the charge.

In filings in federal court in Dallas, Littwin's attorneys suggested that former Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes, who later became a lobbyist for Gtech, knew about the preferential treatment because it was he who intervened on Bush's behalf.

After Barnes gave a deposition last month, his attorney issued a written statement saying Barnes called Guard commander Gen. James Rose at the request of a Bush family friend, not by any member of the Bush family. Bush served in the Guard until late 1973.

Littwin, 64, now living in New York, said Gtech fired him because he attempted to investigate the company's compliance with its no-bid state contract, which is valued at \$150 million a year.

The Lottery commissioners voted unanimously to fire Littwin from his \$100,000-a-year job, but during the lawsuit, they have maintained silence about their reasons for the dismissal. Littwin's lawyers attempted to

get pre-trial depositions from the commissioners who fired them, but commission lawyers convinced the judge to block the depositions at least temporarily. Linda Cloud, executive director of the Texas Lottery Commission, said the settlement was unrelated to any action by the agency.

"I remain convinced that the Commission acted properly and within our rights in this matter. And just as we were not a party to this lawsuit, we have not been involved in Gtech's decision to settle," she said.

A Gtech spokesman said the company settled because that was cheaper than continuing to fight Littwin, who once worked for Gtech's largest competitor, Automated Wagering International.

"This was a business decision," said Mark Palazzo. "We feel confident we would have prevailed, but the cost and time to litigate would have been extensive." Palazzo said Bush's involve-

ment in the lawsuit played no role in the decision to settle.

Linda Edwards, a spokeswoman for Bush, said the governor did not seek to have the case settled. She said Bush would have no comment "to a lawsuit that was settled by other parties and that we weren't involved in."

In the settlement agreement, Gtech said it denied all of Littwin's claims and speculated the commission might have had several reasons to fire Littwin, including his order that aides look up campaign-finance records of state legislators.

Littwin agreed to drop all claims in exchange for \$300,000 and the payment of his legal fees, according to the settlement document. Littwin also agreed to destroy "all depositions — such as that given by Barnes — or give them to Gtech without disclosing them to anyone else."

Gtech is the world's largest supplier of lottery services and systems, operating in at least 29 states and 36 countries. It

A quarter-century later, child-killer's poisoned treats still haunt Halloween

HOUSTON (AP) — A quarter century has not erased the stain on Halloween left by the "Candy Man."

Ronald Clark O'Bryan earned his sweet-sounding nickname most distastefully: He killed his 8-year-old son with cyanide-laced candy after a night of trick-or-treating, for \$20,000 in insurance money.

"It profoundly affected the whole community, every child of trick-or-treating age," said Mike Hinton, then a Harris County prosecutor who sent O'Bryan to death row. "There's no question it had a national effect on Halloween."

Before Oct. 31, 1974, the idea of carefully examining children's Halloween booty might have seemed like a paranoid waste of time. O'Bryan, a suburban Houston optician, shocked the city and the nation when it was discovered he replaced some of the sugary powder inside five Giant Pixy Stix with enough cyanide to kill two or three grown men each.

Only Timothy Marc O'Bryan ate the deadly confection and died shortly afterward. Four other children, including Timothy's younger sister, received the straws but did not ingest their contents.

Halloween changed forever once word of the slaying spread. "It sure brought it into sharp focus that the potential is certainly there," said Mike Ellis, director of the Southeast Texas Poison Center.

Ellis still frowns on random trick-or-treating, instead encouraging children to attend controlled activities. He suggests that the parents of children who go door to door either purchase candy to replace gathered sweets or ensure their kids visit trusted homes.

Experts recommend that parents closely inspect all candy collected. Hard, individually wrapped treats tend to be the safest from molestation. Hospitals and other agencies often provide free X-ray examinations of fruits and other sweets that might contain foreign objects.

In the notorious Houston case, O'Bryan clipped off one end of the package and crudely stapled the straw back together, a method that ironically might have saved one neighbor boy.

"When police got to Whitney Parker's house, his parents almost died on the spot because they couldn't find the Pixy Stix," said Hinton, now a lawyer in private practice.

"They found him holding it asleep. His little fingers were not strong enough to get the staples out."

Authorities said O'Bryan distributed the extra sticks to Whitney and two other neighborhood children to hide his motive.

"That was what was horrible, his willingness to sacrifice other kids to cover it up. That really shook us," said Bill Lanier, then a detective with the Pasadena police force. "We got lucky getting that candy back."

O'Bryan never admitted to killing his son. He testified at his trial that he let Timothy eat the Pixy Stix before bedtime, giving him Kool-Aid when the boy said the candy tasted bitter.

Timothy soon complained of searing stomach pains, threw up twice and collapsed, O'Bryan said. He died before arriving at the hospital.

O'Bryan — dubbed "Candy Man" by his death row mates — was executed on March 31, 1984. He made no mention of Timothy in his final written statement, but did write this vague passage: "Also, to anyone I have offended in anyway during my 39 years, I pray and ask your forgiveness, just as I forgive anyone whose offended me in anyway."

Both Hinton and Lanier use the word "evil" to describe O'Bryan, noting that he was a trusted figure to the children who received the tampered candy.

Lanier recalls that many Houston-area parents dumped all their children's candy at the police station after Timothy died. For years afterward, the holiday was largely bereft of trick-or-treaters, he said.

Longtime Pasadena-area resident Chris Berryhill said O'Bryan's legacy still lingers this time of year. Worse, he blames the local murder for spawning copycats.

"It took all the fun out of Halloween. It really has," Berryhill said. "If I had a little child now, I would not allow them to pick up candy from someone and put it in their mouth."

"The fear it caused almost makes Halloween not worthwhile."

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Tax break extensions approved by Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate passed pro-business tax break extensions on Friday with bipartisan support. But House Democrats complained the GOP majority had killed other legislation including gun control and campaign finance overhaul.

In a Halloween weekend complaint, House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt said, "The people who get the real treats are corporations and the wealthy, from lavish tax breaks to legislation that is killed on their demand."

Of budget negotiations that are continuing four weeks into the new fiscal year, he added, "This is a pointless, endless process." Republicans countered that they believe the budget can be finished by Nov. 10.

President Clinton, meanwhile, signed another temporary spending bill that will keep the government operating

for a week while negotiations continue.

"Congress still can't pass a budget because they can't figure out what to do," the president said during a speech in Philadelphia.

A slew of GOP leaders and committee chairmen responded to the Democrats' complaints with lists of legislative accomplishments this year, including a 4.8 percent pay raise for military personnel.

"Democrats may want to pretend these accomplishments don't exist," House Majority Leader Dick Army of Texas said in a statement. "Working men and women across America are seeing the benefits of a Republican Congress — a strong economy, low inflation and modern technology."

Behind the maneuvering is a fierce fight for control of the House in an election still a year away. Republicans now hold a

222-211 majority, the party's slimmest since retaking control in 1995 for the first time in four decades.

On Friday, by voice vote, the Senate passed an \$8.5 billion bill that would extend a dozen expiring tax breaks to certain businesses. The House has yet to act on its version, which would cost nearly three times as much.

The Senate version would extend several business tax credits through Dec. 31, 2000, including the research and development credit that expired June 30.

Meanwhile, Republican leaders said they thought the two sides could resolve their differences on the budget by Nov. 10, just before lawmakers leave town for Veterans Day.

Following a private strategy session Friday between top White House officials and Gephardt, Democrats seemed

less optimistic.

"It's certainly possible, but there are a lot of important issues to get through," White House chief of staff John Podesta said in a brief interview. "We're interested in substance, not timing."

Agreements have yet to be worked out, for example, on Clinton's proposals for money to hire thousands of teachers and to purchase new parklands. But for all of the rhetoric, the budget differences between Clinton and the Republicans are relatively minor this year.

In the five remaining spending bills that have been vetoed or face a veto threat, Clinton wants less than \$5 billion more than the GOP has already provided. Many of the remaining fights are over who should control federal dollars, not over killing programs as in the first year of the GOP's congressional majority.

Federal court reaffirms decision blocking EPA tougher air controls

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal court on Friday reaffirmed a decision blocking the Environmental Protection Agency from imposing tougher air pollution controls on smog and soot.

In a split ruling, the full U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia rejected the government's appeal and kept in place a decision in May by a three-judge panel from the court overturning the new pollution regulations imposed in 1997.

Clinton administration officials said the Justice Department is expected to take case to the Supreme Court with hopes of a decision by next summer.

"While the appeal process moves forward, we will continue

to pursue all available actions to secure cleaner air for the American people," EPA Administrator Carol Browner said in a statement.

President Clinton in 1997 directed the EPA to issue the tougher air rules, which require states to meet more stringent reductions in smog-causing ozone and in microscopic soot.

The smog and soot regulations were among the most controversial ever issued by Browner and drew strong opposition from business and industry groups.

Environmental and many health experts argued the more stringent controls on soot and smog were needed to protect children and people with respiratory ailments.

Federal agencies say they will be ready for Y2K

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Social Security Administration is readying jet-fueled generators, the Internal Revenue Service is prepared to write tax refund checks manually and the Pentagon is sharing secrets with the Russians as part of a government effort to avoid crises related to the Y2K computer problem.

IRS chief information officer Paul Cosgrave, questioned at a House hearing Friday about concerns that the tax agency was prone to Y2K disruptions, gave assurances that systems are ready and no one will lose a refund check.

Federal agencies are given high marks for fixing computers so they won't misread the year 2000 for 1900, a mistake that could cause widespread computer breakdowns. Friday's hearing focused on the contingency plans the agencies have for unexpected problems and what they'll be doing just before and after the new year.

The White House office on the Y2K problem, headed by John Koskinen, is to run an information coordination center to monitor developments in the

public and private sectors as the new year begins. Most agencies will have command centers to assure a smooth transition to the new millennium.

John Dyer of the Social Security Administration said his agency will take its system off-line on Dec. 30 to allow the collection of all 1999 computer transactions, and that just before midnight on the 31st the main data center in Baltimore will switch to jet-fueled generators to guard against electrical surges.

Dr. Martin Langston, the Defense Department's top Y2K official, said the on-duty staff will be boosted by up to 10 percent in the New Year period. Russian military officials will arrive in Colorado Springs, Colo., on Dec. 22 for a joint exercise aimed at assuring that problems in early warning tracking systems don't lead to mistaken perceptions that the other side has launched a missile.

Norman Lorentz, chief technology officer of the Postal Service, said the mail agency has placed a freeze on all computer systems changes through

March. Postal officials expect more people to mail letters because of concerns about the reliability of computer e-mail.

Joel Willemsen of the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress, said the Education Department is encouraging schools to obtain information before Jan. 1 so it won't have problems in determining student financial aid eligibility.

The Veterans Affairs Department has suggested that its hospitals prepare bottled water and stock waterless soap for the possibility that water supplies are interrupted.

The focus on the IRS arose from an Oct. 15 letter by agency Commissioner Charles Rossotti to House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas, in which he said "the quality of the IRS' inventory (equipment) currently poses a high risk to the Y2K effort."

He added that the IRS had taken steps to improve the accuracy of its computer systems and that "if problems surface when the clocks roll over into the new year, we will be pre-

pared to deal with them before they begin to affect taxpayers."

Cosgrave said the IRS has been working for about 15 years on the problem of highly decentralized records in some 800,000 pieces of equipment, with the accuracy rate now increased to 90 percent.

He said 99 percent of the IRS' key computer systems are Y2K-compliant, and many of those systems were successfully tested during the 1999 filing season.

Man accused of fondling 5-year-old boy of family who took him in after prison

DEERFIELD, N.H. (AP) — After serving nearly 10 years in a Texas prison for molesting an 11-year-old boy, Jon Savarino Schillaci wanted to start a new life.

And a Deerfield family that had been writing to him since he was convicted wanted to help him. So when he was released two months ago they let him move in with them.

But police say Schillaci's past wasn't so easily left behind.

On Monday the family's 5-year-old boy told his parents that he and Jon "have a secret," according to Deerfield police Sgt. Steve Turner.

That secret resulted in Schillaci being charged with aggravated felonious sexual assault. But he disappeared before police could arrest him, and now authorities nationwide are searching for him.

"If he's on a bus somewhere, he hasn't got much money and he isn't going to go that far," Turner said Friday. "We're treating him as a dangerous sexual predator."

Turner said he wasn't sure how the family — who also have a 1-year-old son — met Schillaci, but believed it was through a magazine or other service that arranges pen pals

for prisoners.

"They corresponded back and forth for 10 years and he indicated when he was ready to actually be released that he wanted to move out of Texas and change his life," Turner said.

"Obviously they made a very poor error in judgment in believing that a pedophile could change his stripes," he said.

Turner said the couple apparently was aware of Schillaci's criminal record. He said authorities are not pursuing any charges — such as endangering a child — against the parents at this time.

According to a 1989 Houston Chronicle article, the then 17-year-old Schillaci and a 20-year-old man were accused of having sex with two boys they allegedly featured in a video.

He pleaded guilty to two counts of sex performed by a child and four of aggravated sexual assault, according to Larry Fitzgerald, spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

He said Schillaci has friends and family in Houston and Dallas, but never received any visitors while in prison.

Schillaci was released from a Houston prison July 30 and

apparently wasted little time before coming to Deerfield, a town of 3,500 people in eastern New Hampshire.

Turner said Schillaci registered with police as a sex offender on Sept. 1, and that officials had no further dealings with him until the family's son accused him of fondling him on Sunday.

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Coahoma boosts slates meeting
The Coahoma Booster Club will hold its 11th annual meeting Monday night at the Elementary School. Members will discuss business matters, view highlights of the Bulldogs' 47-16 victory over Tahoka.

BSHS baseball slates meeting
The Big Spring Boosters Club will hold its 11th annual meeting Monday night at the Athletic Training Center. Schedules for the season for varsity, junior and freshman teams will be distributed during the meeting. Boosters will discuss facility improvements. Parents of all baseball players and any other fans of the team are urged to attend.

YMCA offering racquetball lessons
The Big Spring YMCA is currently offering racquetball lessons for adults and young adults. The hour-long sessions are offered on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Nov. 20. Jim Wright, a member, will be the instructor. Lessons on the newly renovated courts. For more information, call the YMCA at 267-1111.

BSJHS gridders sweep over Steers
Big Spring School's Steers football team swept over the gridders in a 28-0 victory on Saturday. In the eighth game where Big Spring's Black gridders pounded its way to a 28-0 shutout victory. In fact, the Steers allowed a touchdown in the eighth game where Big Spring's Black gridders pounded its way to a 28-0 shutout victory. The four team out the season by Mustangs, the Steers staying in seventh graders.

Coahoma Jun posts shutout
Coahoma's Bulldogs took a 28-0 shutout victory over Tahoka Thursday night. Orrin Mansfield interception blocked a touchdown, but help for the offensive touchdown runner Walker and Jos.

ON THE

Radio
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
2:45 p.m. — Colts at Indianapolis
6:30 p.m. — Buccaneers at Colts
KBS-AM 1490.

Television
AUTO RACING
Noon — NASCAR National K-Mart 35.
2 p.m. — Championship ESPN, Ch. 30.
FIGURE SKATING
Noon — Skating Ch. 2 and Ch. 8
NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Noon — St. Louis Tennessee Titans
Noon — San Francisco Kansas City Chiefs
3 p.m. — Dallas Indianapolis Colts
7 p.m. — Tampa Bay Buccaneers at ESPN, Ch. 30.
GOLF
Noon — PGA Championship, Ch. 30.
2 p.m. — PGA Championship, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8.
TENNIS
3 p.m. — Wimbledon finals, FXS, Ch.

IN BRIEF

Coahoma booster club slates meeting Monday

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the Coahoma Elementary School cafeteria. Members will conduct a short business meeting before viewing highlights of the Bulldogs' 47-16 win over Tahoka.

BSHS baseball boosters slate meeting for Nov. 1

The Big Spring Baseball Boosters Club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at the BSHS Athletic Training Center.

Schedules for the 2000 season for varsity, junior varsity and freshman teams will be distributed during the meeting.

Boosters will also discuss facility improvements.

Parents of all Big Spring baseball players, as well as any other fans of the program are urged to attend.

YMCA offering free racquetball lessons

The Big Spring Family YMCA is currently offering free racquetball lessons to adults and youngsters 10 and older.

The hour-long sessions are offered on Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon through Nov. 20.

Jim Wright, a YMCA board member, will conduct the lessons on the YMCA's newly-renovated courts.

For more information, call the YMCA at 267-8234.

BSJHS gridders post sweep over Snyder

Big Spring Junior High School's Steers posted a four-game sweep over Snyder's young Tigers on Thursday.

In seventh-grade action, Big Spring's Black squad took a 42-0 shutout victory.

In fact, the only score the Steers allowed all night came in the eighth-grade White game where Big Spring took a 26-6 win. The eighth-grade Black squad closed things out with a 30-0 victory.

The four teams will close out the season Thursday taking on Sweetwater's young Mustangs, the eighth-grade Steers staying home, while the seventh-graders hit the road.

Coahoma Junior High posts shutout win

Coahoma's seventh-grade Bulldogs took a 24-0 win over Tahoka Thursday, as the defense turned in a swarming effort all night.

Orrin Mansfield returned in interception 85 yards for a touchdown, providing a little help for the offense which got touchdown runs from Clint Walker and Jose Rodriguez.

ON THE AIR

Radio

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
2:45 p.m. — Dallas Cowboys at Indianapolis Colts, KBST-AM 1490 and KBST-FM 95.9.
6:30 p.m. — Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Detroit Lions, KBST-AM 1490.

Television

AUTO RACING
Noon — NASCAR Grand National K-Mart 200, TNN, Ch. 35.
2 p.m. — CART FedEx Championship Marlboro 500, ESPN, Ch. 30.

FIGURE SKATING
Noon — Skate America, ABC, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Noon — St. Louis Rams at Tennessee Titans, FOX, Ch. 3.
Noon — San Diego Chargers at Kansas City Chiefs, CBS, Ch. 7.

3 p.m. — Dallas Cowboys at Indianapolis Colts, FOX, Ch. 3.
7 p.m. — Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Detroit Lions, ESPN, Ch. 30.

GOLF
Noon — PGA Tour Championship, final round, ESPN, Ch. 30.
2 p.m. — PGA Tour Championship, final round, ABC, Ch. 2 and Ch. 8.

TENNIS
3 p.m. — WTA Generali Open, finals, FXS, Ch. 29.

Lake View retains cross-country titles; Big Spring teams second

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

San Angelo Lake View's Chiefs and Maidens were every bit as strong as they were supposed to be Saturday, as they successfully defended their District 5-4A cross-country championships.

There would be no real surprise about the runners-up in both divisions, as Big Spring's Steers and Lady Steers easily finished second in the team standings, while Andrews was third.

As a result, the boys' and girls' teams from those three schools will advance to the Region I, Class 4A meet scheduled for this Saturday at Mae Simmons Park in Lubbock.

The brightest spot of the day for Big

Spring came in the boys' division where Rolando Ladesma posted a 16:49.46 over the three-mile circuit at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, taking the individual championship with a cushion of more than five seconds over Lake View's Rubin Solis.

But Solis' teammates made sure there would be no upset in the team standings, as Louis Molly, Jerry Tarango and Aaron Linthicum crossed the finish line in third, fourth and fifth places. Roger Tarrango rounded out the Chiefs' top spots by finishing eighth.

The best support the Steers could manage for Ladesma was Michael Martinez's seventh-place finish. Ben Garcia finished 15th overall, while Orlando Ladesma was 16th and Steve Moreno was

17th. "We did about as well as we could considering the circumstances," Big Spring coach Randy Britton said, noting that both Orlando Ladesma and Moreno had not practiced for several days prior to the meet after having suffered muscle pulls.

In the girls' division, Lake View and Big Spring were even more dominating. The Maidens, paced by Sharla Leifeste's 13:32.54, grabbed the first four places in the individual standings. Chonna Wright finished second for Lake View, while Dianna Wachsmann and Autumn Levens were third and fourth.

The Lady Steers were led by Dolores Liedecke's fifth-place clocking of 13:54.78, followed by Sally Arguello in

sixth place and Pricilla Franco in seventh. Yael Portocarrero finished eighth for the Lady Steers and Eve Tobar rounded out the Big Spring entry with ninth place.

The Lady Steers, composed of four freshmen and a sophomore, suffered from a lack of experience in running big races.

"That's just something you have to develop over time," Britton said of the Lady Steers' inability to chip their way into Lake View's 1-2-3-4 finish.

"The pressure got to us a little bit," he added. "But this is a young group of girls ... they haven't been here before and they couldn't grasp that this wasn't just

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Steers fall in final seconds

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Sports Editor

SAN ANGELO — Speed kills. It was just that simple Friday night, as San Angelo Lake View's Chiefs used the speed of tailback Rashad Chance and quarterback David Lankford to take an unlikely 33-29 win over Big Spring's Steers — a 70-yard flea-flicker providing the difference with 15 seconds left in the game.

Although Chance would race up and down the Lake View Stadium turf for 218 yards and three touchdowns, it was a desperation trick play that saw flanker and backup quarterback Oscar Solis take a pitch and throw the ball back to Lankford that allowed the Chiefs to come back from a 29-26 deficit.

And while the loss didn't rule out Big Spring's hopes of being one of the three District 5-4A teams to qualify for postseason play, Steers head coach Dwight Butler admitted the last-minute Lake View comeback was a blow.

"We're extremely shocked and disappointed," Butler said following the see-saw fourth quarter that saw four lead changes. "That's football ... that's the way it is sometimes ... you do everything you know how to do to win but it just doesn't go your way."

The Steers coach couldn't fault the Steers' overall effort, however, as they overcame an early 14-0 Lake View lead and repeatedly answered the Chiefs' lightning-quick strikes in the second half.

"I've never been prouder of a group of young men than I am of this bunch after the way they played tonight," Butler added. "We just didn't have an answer for their speed. Now we've got to find a way to step it up, bow our necks and get ready to win when we have to next week."

From the outset, Lake View made it clear that Chance's quickness was the Chiefs' primary asset — taking the opening kickoff and marching 80 yards on nine plays to the game's first score.

Chance's number was called on eight of those first nine plays, the fleet-footed tailback capping the march with a nine-yard burst.

And when Big Spring's offense was limited to a three-and-out possession, the Chiefs let it be known that Lankford also had speed the Steers couldn't match.

After taking possession at their own 17, the Chiefs needed just four plays to make it a 14-0 lead when Lankford kept the ball outside left end and sprinted 51 yards for the score.

A defensive adjustment by Big Spring slowed the Lake View offense, and when Chance left the game with bruised ribs, the Steers began to take control.

Big Spring finally got on the scoreboard with 3:37 left in the second quarter as the Steers offensive line began to dominate, sparking a 11-play, 77-yard drive. Fullback Jose Carnero and reserve tailback Jason



Lake View quarterback David Lankford (10) sprints just out of the reach of Big Spring defender Jason Woodruff (24) as he sets sail for a 51-yard touchdown in the first quarter Friday night. Lankford would later catch a 70-yard touchdown pass with 15 seconds remaining to give the Chiefs a 33-29 win over the Steers.

Woodruff continually ran right at the Lake View defense, the final two yards coming when Woodruff skirted the left side untouched.

Woodruff then carried the ball for a two-point conversion, leaving the Steers on the short end of a 14-8 halftime lead.

Big Spring took the lead for the first time when the Steers took the opening kickoff and drove 58 yards on 14 plays, quarterback Lance Brock bulling in from one-yard out for the capper. Josh Spencer's point-after kick made it 15-14.

When Lake View fumbled at its own 33 on the next play from scrimmage, the Steers were in position to take control the Chiefs sacked Brock for a seven-yard loss

on a third-and-five play, forcing Big Spring to punt.

Chance returned to the game and four plays later, broke over left tackle and set sail on a 65-yard burst that gave the Chiefs a 20-15 lead with 32 seconds remaining in the third quarter.

Big Spring responded with a 65-yard drive on its next possession, Brock hitting tight end Blair Nutting for with a 19-yard touchdown pass with 8:22 left in the game, giving the Steers a 21-20 edge.

Lake View answered with another long Chance run, this one a 51-yarder at the 6:35 mark that gave the Chiefs a 26-21 advan

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Stanton clinches 3-2A title

By TOM RUIZ
Herald Correspondent

POST — It wasn't the "Ultimate Stampede," Stanton's team bus, that ran over Post's Antelopes here Friday night — it was Jeremy Hull.

Hull, nicknamed the "Incredible Hull" by his teammates, ripped off 234 yards on the ground and was almost a one-man show for the Buffs as they rolled to a 35-8 win and clinched the District 3-2A championship.

The junior tailback scored five times in the game — four of those touchdowns coming on offensive snaps, the other when he intercepted a Post pass and returned it for points.

"This championship is special," said Stanton head coach Mark Cotton, whose team was supposed to be rebuilding after losing most of the stars who'd led Stanton to the Class 2A state championship in 1997 and a trip to the state semifinals a year ago.

Questions were everywhere this year. Could Will Harris fill in for the departed Kyle Herm?

Answer: Harris has passed for more than a 1,000 yards and 16 touchdowns with only five interceptions.

Other concerns were whether Hull could repeat the type of season he had in 1998, when as a sophomore, he rushed for more than 1,000 yards.

Answer: Hull has rushed for nearly 1,300 yards to date.

And if Hull had any critics, he silenced them Friday night with his performance against Post.

Hull made the Antelopes' defense, regarded to be one of the best in the Panhandle, seem as if it was standing still.

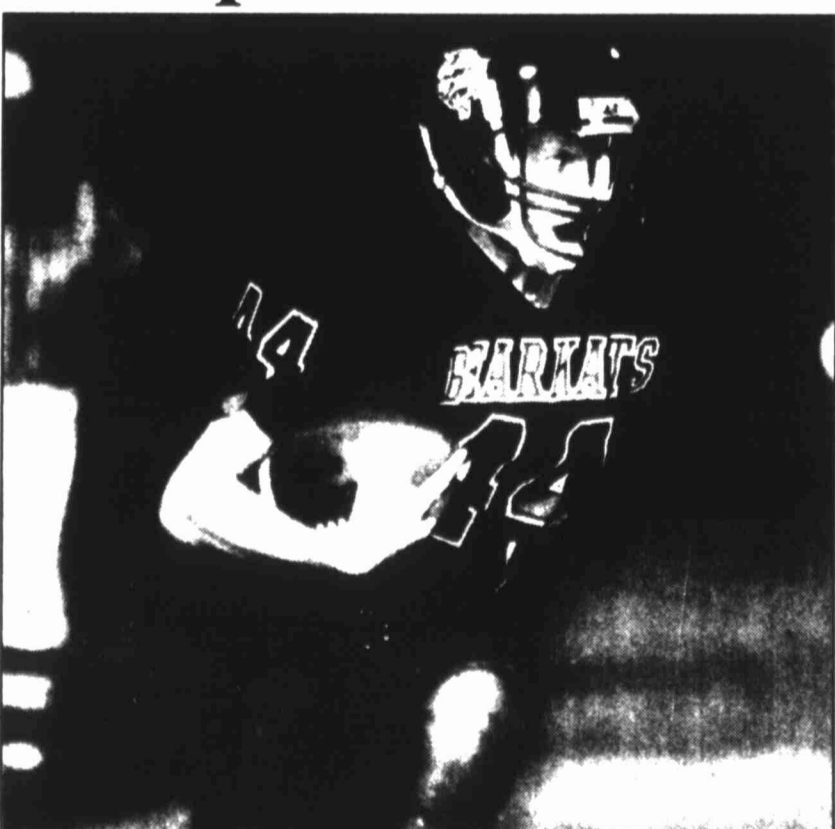
In the first quarter he ran past Antelope defenders that were too slow to catch him for touchdowns of 60 and 54 yards.

And the third quarter, broke loose for 50 yards towards another touchdown that gave Stanton 20-0 lead.

Meanwhile, the Stanton defense was throwing around the Post tailbacks Raymond

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Wait proves to be worth it in 47-16 win for Coahoma



Garden City running back Kendall Goodwin heads up field for yardage during the Bearkats' 42-0 loss to Fort Davis' Indians.

HERALD Staff Reports

TAHOKA — They had to wait until Saturday to finish what they'd started Friday night, but Coahoma's Bulldogs kept their hopes for reaching the Class 2A playoffs alive with a 47-12 win over Tahoka.

Sophomore quarterback Chase Ward scored on three short runs and threw a touchdown pass in leading the way for Coahoma.

The game had been halted Friday night with the Bulldogs holding a 14-0 lead with 7:52 remaining in the first quarter because of high winds and lightning. The game resumed at noon Saturday.

Ward scored on a three-yard run and two one-yarders, as well as lofting a 79-yard touchdown pass to Cody Teeler. Walt Bordelon added five extra-point kicks and kicked field goals of 15 and 41 yards.

Tahoka's two touchdowns came on a five-yard touchdown pass from Brady Raindl to Blandon Hancock and a two-yard run by Randy White.

With the win, the Bulldogs improved to 6-3 overall and 1-3 in District 3-2A action going into Friday night's 7:30 regular season finale with Plains' Cowboys.

A Coahoma win over Plains, coupled with a Seagraves win over Post would leave the Bulldogs tied with Plains and Post for third place and a postseason berth.

To claim that spot in the playoffs, however, the Bulldogs must not only defeat the Cowboys this

AREA ROUNDUP

week, but beat them by four points or more. Tahoka dropped to 2-7 overall and 0-4 in district play.

Eldorado 18, Forsan 7

ELDORADO — Forsan's Buffaloes were left winless in District 2-2A play here Friday night, as Eldorado's Eagles scored twice in the fourth quarter to take an 18-7 victory.

Eldorado got on the scoreboard first with an 11-yard Lance Mitchel run in the second quarter and put up a defensive effort that made the 6-0 margin stand through halftime.

Forsan managed to take the lead in the third quarter when Derrick Wash scored on a four-yard run and Adam Dunlap tacked on the extra point.

But the Eagles took the lead back early in the fourth quarter on another touchdown run by Mitchel, this one from two yards out.

Eldorado capped the night with a 26-yard touchdown pass to Kasey Poyner from Joey Bullard.

The win improved the Eagles record to 5-4 overall and 3-1 in district play, while Forsan is 2-7 and

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EAST
Boston College 24, Syracuse 23
Cornell 14, Wagner 14
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MIDWEST
Bowling Green 31, Cent. Michigan 7
Cincinnati 52, Miami, Ohio 42
Dayton 34, Valparaiso 10
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WEDNESDAY STRIKERS
WEEK 7
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ROUNDUP
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0-4 going into this week's season finale in which the Buffs will play host to Junction.

Borden County 40, Ira 0
IRA - Borden County's Coyotes won the battle for second place and the final playoff spot in District 6 six-man football play here Friday with a 40-0 over Ira's Bulldogs.
Senior running back Ed Rodriguez was much too much for the Bulldogs to handle, as he piled up 227 yards on 12 carries and scored four touchdowns.
Joseph Hardeman added a pair of touchdown runs for the Coyotes.
But it was the Borden County defense that almost stole the show - forcing four Bulldog turnovers and limiting Ira to just 188 yards in total offense.
"It was a good night for us... especially defensively," Coyotes head coach Bobby Avery said following the win that improved Borden County's record to 7-2 overall and 3-1 in district play. "It was probably the best defensive game we've had... we just didn't let them do much of anything."

Sands 80, Hermleigh 44
HERMLEIGH - Cesar Martinez rushed for 121 yards and three touchdowns in helping lead No. 2-ranked Sands to a resounding second-half comeback and an 80-44 win over Hermleigh's Cardinals.
Borden County will close out the regular season this week taking on Hermleigh's Cardinals.
Hermleigh's David Digby rushed for 142 yards and three touchdowns and teammate Caleb Callaway added 137 yards on three catches and a pair of touchdowns for the Cardinals as they jumped up and took an early lead.
As a result, Mustangs boss Billy Barnett was anything but jubilant following the win. "We didn't play defense very well at all in the first half... not good at all," Barnett said. "We came back and were a little more intense in the second half, but we can't afford to let people get off to that kind of start."
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Colby Ford, who'd been hampered with back spasms, returned to the Steers backfield and promptly carried the ball five straight times to reach the Lake View eight. From there, Brock called his own number to give Big Spring a 29-23 lead with 3:47 remaining.
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16 First downs 13
259 rushing yds. 349
80 passing yds. 84
6-10-0 Comp/Att/Int 3-10-0
4-36-25 punts-avg 3-35-0
4-1 fum.-lost 1-1
3-25 pen.-yds. 5-35
Big Spring 0 8 7 14 - 29
Lake View 14 0 6 13 - 33

Scoring summary:
First Quarter
LV - 8:20 remaining, Rashad Chance 9 run (Kenny Stewart kick).
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Second Quarter
BS - 3:37, Jason Woodruff 2 run (Woodruff run).
Third Quarter
BS - 4:19, Lance Brock 1 run (Josh Spencer kick).
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BS - 8:22, Blair Nutting 19 pass from Brock (pass fails).
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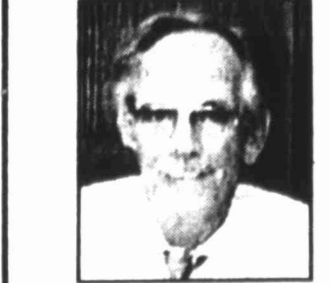
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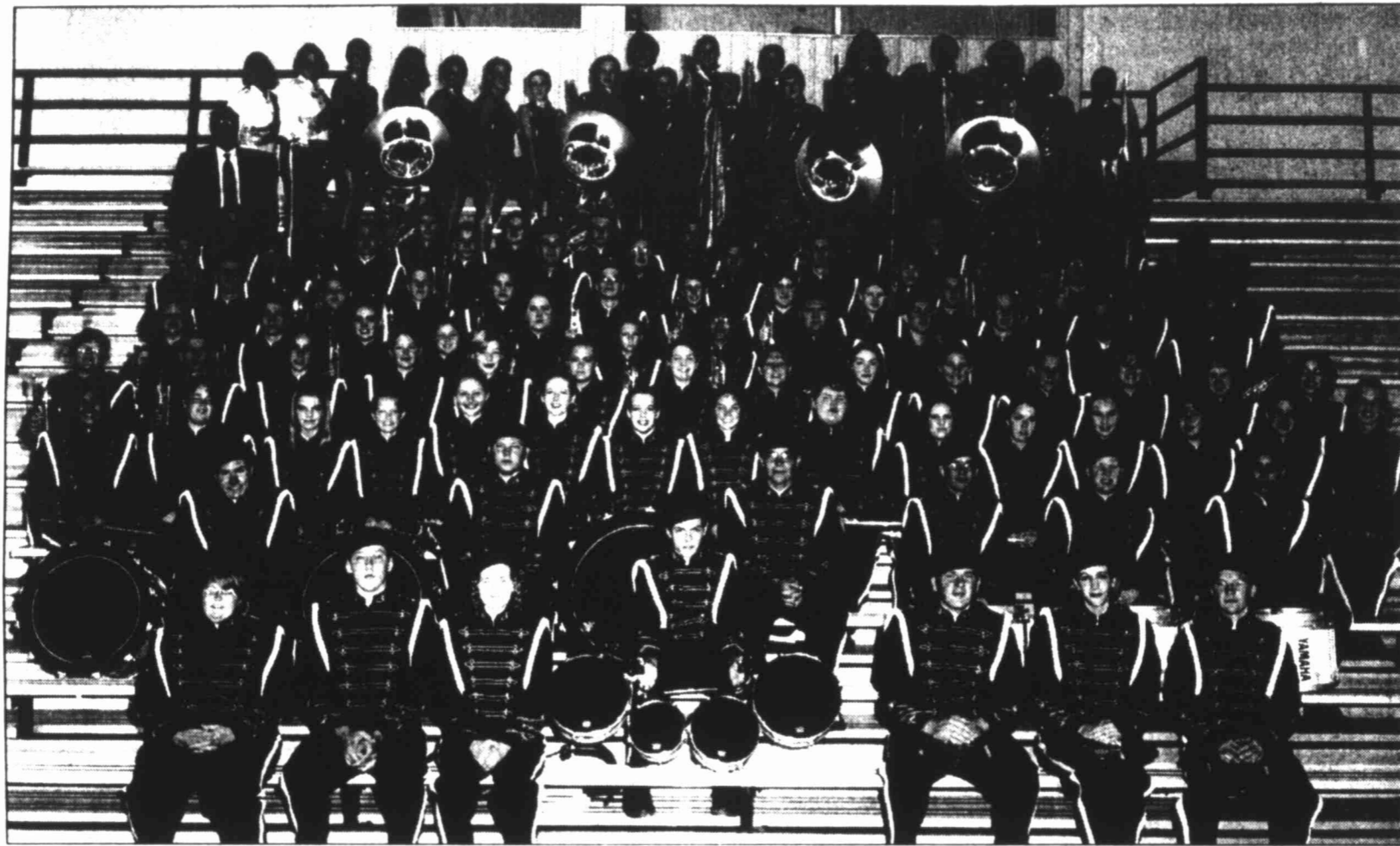
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Abilene 35, Midland 6
Amarillo 28, Amarillo 28, Brazoswood 28
Arlington 42, Arlington 42, Arlington 42
Austin Bowie 21, Seagraves 1
Austin Crockett 20, Austin 20
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Beaumont Central 27, King 27
Bryan 33, Round Rock 32
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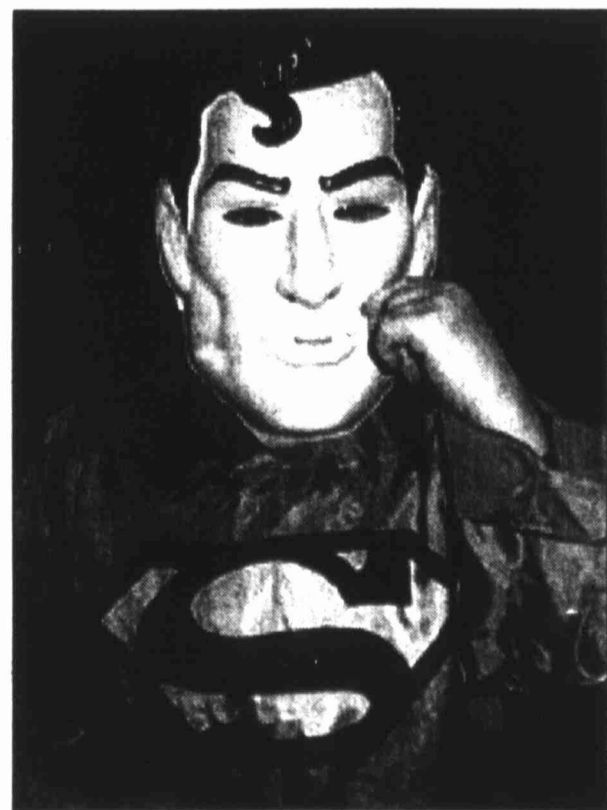
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At left, from left, Audrey Kosh, Danielle Jeter and Bree Feaster at Moss Elementary; below, Isaac Arguello and Mel Dickerson Jr. at Coahoma Elementary.



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3. "Get Gone," Ideal. Noontime.
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5. "Heartbreaker," Mariah Carey (feat. Jay-Z). Columbia. (Gold)
6. "My Love Is Your Love," Whitney Houston. Arista. (Gold)
7. "Spend My Life With You," Eric Benet (feat. Tamia). Warner Bros.
8. "Vivrant Thing," Q-Tip. Violator.
9. "Back At One," Brian McKnight. Motown.
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2. "Blackout!," Method Man/Redman. Def Jam.
3. "Back At One," Brian McKnight. Motown. (Platinum)
4. Soundtrack: "The Best Man." Columbia.
5. "400 Degreez," Juvenile. Cash Money. (Platinum)
6. "Internal Affairs," Pharoahe Monch. Rawkus.
7. "Where I Wanna Be," Donell Jones. LaFace.
8. "I Want It All," Warren G. G-Funk.
9. "Mary," Mary J. Blige. MCA. (Platinum)
10. "Black On Both Sides," Mos Def. Rawkus.

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 3. "4, 5, 6," Sole (feat. J.T. Money and Kandi). DreamWorks.
 4. "Step To This," Master P (feat. D.I.G.) No Limit.
 5. "Simon Says," Pharoahe Monch. Rawkus.
 6. "U-Way (How We Do It)," Youngbloodz. Ghet-O-Vision.
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WHO'S WHO

Sheree Rivas, a member of the senior class at Grady High School, has been recognized as a scholar finalist in the National Hispanic Recognition Program, as announced by principal Richard Gibson.

The National Hispanic Recognition Program is a college board program that provides national recognition of the exceptional academic achievements of Hispanic high school seniors and identifies academically well-prepared Hispanic high school seniors for postsecondary institutions.

Students from this area are among the approximately 120,000 included in the 22nd Annual Edition of The National Dean's List, 1998-99.

Students are selected for this honor by their college deans, registrars or honor society advisors and must be in the upper 10 percent of their class, on their school's "Dean's List," or have earned a comparable honor.

Local students selected include: Laurie M. Barraza, Loretta S. Burns, Alicia A. Buzbee, Margarita R. Cervantes, Rebecca M. Choate, Cynthia L. Clanton, Julie K. Coates, Larry N. Collins, David B. Cook, Lisa D. Currie, Darian De La Rosa-Castillo, Shey K. Ditto, Shana R. Earnest, Elizabeth A. Froman, Amanda C. Hale, Lynda M. Harman, Jerrod W. Helms, Abelardo J. Hilario, Kaci M. Hooser, David

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Anthony W. Braden of Garden City, and Tiffany L. Madison of Stanton.

Big Spring Junior High School announces 14 seventh grade candidates qualifying for recognition in the Duke University Talent Identification Program.

The Duke University program is dedicated to being a national leader in the identification of academically talented students. The program has a rich history dating back to 1980 representing from over 5,580 junior high and middle schools in a 16-state region.

One of the program goals is to provide information resources for students, teachers, and parents. The candidates for the 1999/2000 year from Big Spring Junior High School are: Brandon Boling, Regan Criswell, Tiffany Emerson, Chad Hammock, Kandis Harmon, Jessica Hughey, Mary Hunnicutt, Allen Risner, Spencer Roberts, Manaj Thangam, Veronica Villarreal, Lindsay Wagner, Melissa White and Ryan Yeater.

Kids' nutrition for Halloween doesn't have to be disappearing act

SAN ANTONIO (AP)—Have a healthful Halloween? Uh-oh.

Here comes the Halloween grinch to tell us to hand out little boxes of raisins to trick-or-treaters, or tell the kids to eat apples instead of candy corn. Or, maybe to suggest we not buy those bags of bite-size chocolate candy bars (of which more end up in our own candy bowl than in the trick-or-treaters' bags.)

It's no mystery that free candy is a big part of what Halloween is about for kids. But, parents who are concerned about all that sugar can do a few things to make this spooky night a little less scary from a health standpoint without taking all the fun out of it.

First and foremost, remember to keep it a safe Halloween by reminding your children to let you inspect all their candy when they get home. Discard candy that looks strange or doesn't have wrappers. Avoid homemade goods or fruit, unless you know they came from a friend or trusted neighbor.

Halloween doesn't have to be all about candy. Focus on a party, a Halloween meal, Halloween costumes and Halloween crafts. Carve that jack-o-lantern, make witch hats, watch a scary movie or tell scary stories.

If you want them to have something healthful to balance all those snacks, add a little fun to the mix.

Dunk for apples, decorate pumpkin or banana cupcakes with low-fat cream cheese frosting sweetened with a little sugar or honey, make apple cider and stir it with long cinnamon sticks, toast marshmallows (which are low in fat, if not sugar) and squash them between graham crackers.

Kids don't have to eat all that candy at once (no matter what they say). Talk

them into eating less by having them stretch it out over a period of days.

Some of those concentrated-chocolate treats can be stretched even further by chopping them up and sprinkling them over low-fat yogurt.

Does your child have a friend who didn't get to go trick-or-treating? Suggest they choose the candy they want the most and then take the bag to the friend's house to share. Or, share some of it with the church food bank, which is now stocking up for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Incorporate the Halloween theme into dinner Sunday night or all weekend. Here are a few ideas for a scary menu:

GHOULISH CHICKEN FINGERS (this idea and the next is from The Online Kitchen with Bob at www.iqvc.com): Cut boneless chicken breasts lengthwise almost to one end to make five fingers on a "hand." Dust with flour, dip in egg, roll in seasoned breadcrumbs and fry on each side until golden brown. Trim the tip of each finger with a black olive half "fingernail."

GOOEY EYEBALLS: Peel 6 hard-cooked eggs, cut in half lengthwise, remove yolks and fill with softened cream cheese. Press one green pimento-stuffed olive into the center of the cream cheese (pimento "eye" staring up).

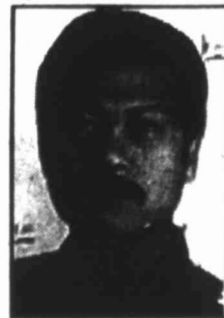
SPOOKY TACOS (recipe from Kraft Foods): Mix ground beef with seasoning mix. Shape into 1-inch meatballs and bake. Fill taco shells with 1 meatball, shredded lettuce, shredded yellow cheese and your favorite salsa. Then, put two more meatballs on top of the tacos with a dollop of sour cream on each. Put a slice of green, pimento-stuffed olive on each meatball to make two horrible staring eyes.

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The statue, designed by artist John Houser, will be shipped to El Paso from Mexico City.

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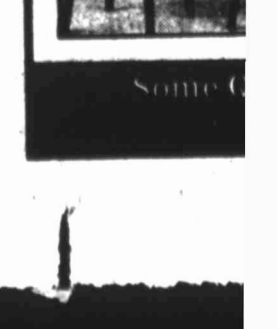
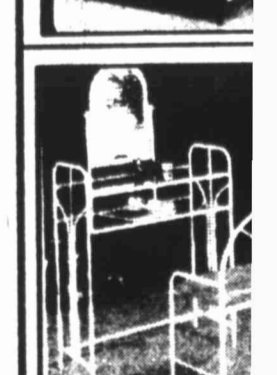
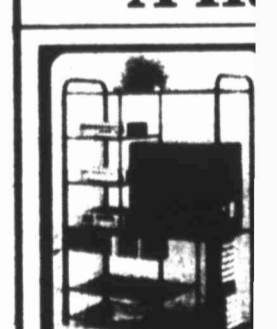
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FRIDAY-Roast beef, baked potatoes, peas, & carrots, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

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MONDAY-Chalupas (corn dogs), fries, salad, blueberries, milk.

TUESDAY-Steak fingers (sub sandwich), gravy, potatoes, green beans, rolls, jello w/fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-BBQ chicken (chili dogs), baked beans, macaroni & cheese, bread, milk, peas.

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MONDAY-Corn dog, potato rounds, carrot sticks, orange wedges, milk.

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WEDNESDAY-Taco, salad, corn on cob, refried beans, apple, milk.

THURSDAY-Chicken nuggets, macaroni & cheese, fried okra, jello w/pineapple, hot roll, milk.

FRIDAY-Hamburger, salad, french fries, pinto beans, lemon pie, milk.

FORSAN SCHOOLS

MONDAY-Pizza, buttered potatoes, salad, strawberry shortcake, milk.

TUESDAY-Enchiladas, spanish rice, salad and cheese, crackers, fruit churros, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Hot dogs, french fries, salad, relish and onions, ice cream, milk.

THURSDAY-Sloppy joes, onion rings, salad, pickles and onions fruit pies, milk.

FRIDAY-Steak and gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, peaches, milk.

ELBOW SCHOOL

MONDAY-Corn dogs, pork'n beans, peas, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Burrito, corn, salad, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Hot dog, potato salad, vegetarian beans, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Spaghetti/meat sauce salad, garlic bread, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY-Hamburger, french fries, salad, pickle, milk.

Rice graduate student finds beauty in shotgun-style house

HOUSTON (AP) — It stood on a weedy lot in the city's Fifth Ward awaiting a strong wind or the bulldozer. Its walls flaked barn-red paint, porch supports zigged and zagged, windows surveyed neighbors with a dead-fish stare.

Vacant 15 years, the broken down shotgun house, like hundreds of its kind throughout the city, seemed destined for demolition.

But where others saw a ramshackle, possibly dangerous eyesore, Brett Zamore, a Rice University graduate architecture student, saw a chance to prove that housing of the past has a future. More than that, Zamore, 28, saw an emblem of what a community ought to be: a place where people intensely interact with their families and neighbors.

In a year-long project that has seen Zamore chasing grants, sawing 2-by-4 boards and wrestling a new tin roof into place under a tropical sun, the 1920s dwelling is being transformed into a showcase of ingenuity.

The house — Zamore's challenge to those who, willy-nilly, would raze decayed housing only to replace it with soulless, cookie-cutter apartments — will make its public debut at a Nov. 13 open house.

"Its genius is its simplicity," Zamore said of the house, whose restoration is nearly complete. "I have a love for the type. It's beautiful, and it's sad that it's being ripped out of the landscape."

A so-called "vernacular" housing type that traces its history to West Africa by way of the Caribbean, the shotgun house, conventional wisdom holds, takes its name from the configuration of its rooms. Typically, the house is a long, narrow

building — one story tall, one room wide. A bullet fired through the front door would exit through the back without hitting anything.

The linear arrangement of the rooms, Zamore said, provides cross-ventilation, admirably suiting it for Houston's torrid climate. The front porch encourages neighborliness.

"It's a building type that has a very interesting history," said Rice architecture dean Lars Lerup. "According to historians, it's the only African-American building type we have. . . . You go from one room to another; it exposes everyone to everyone. There's a legitimate argument that it creates a different social life than when everybody is compartmentalized."

"You have to realize that in Africa, this openness, this lack of privacy, was a positive," said Houston artist John Biggers, in whose paintings such houses are a recurring theme. "There were no secretive aspects in the African family."

"They call it a 'shotgun' house, but when I was in Nigeria I learned that they really are called 'shoguns' — that's Yoruban for 'God's house.'"

The geometry of the shotgun — the triangle and the square — was ubiquitous in African architecture. And, Biggers found, even the royal burial chamber of Egypt's grandest pyramid repeated the simple room-to-room shotgun formula.

When enslaved Africans were taken to the Caribbean, they brought the architectural style with them. Shotgun houses arrived in New Orleans in the early 1800s as Haitian planters, slaves in tow, fled black revolution. The housing type then spread across the American South, appearing wherever African-Americans lived.

Computer woes hamper Hershey candy sales

HERSHEY, Pa. (AP) — Problems involving a new computer system have disrupted distribution of Hershey's chocolates, so some little ghosts and goblins will be disappointed tonight.

And Santa might be next in line to be affected.

Hershey Foods Corp., the nation's largest candymaker, announced a 16 percent drop in third-quarter earnings per share earlier this week. Hershey Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Kenneth L. Wolfe acknowledged that the company's distribution woes have led to lost sales and increased costs.

He said the company had hoped to get customer service back to normal by the end of the month but that the goal would not be met. He said the company still expects to improve through the end of the year.

He gave few details, but The Wall Street Journal reported recently that spot shortages of Hershey's products have prompted many stores to replace their usual supplies of the company's candies with other brands.

NEWCOMERS

New residents of Big Spring welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include:

Christopher and April Clark and Mykly, Odessa. He is the manager of Taco Bell.

Joyce Smith, Greenwood. She is a SWCID student.

Steven and DeAnn Marino, and children Simone, Reagan, and Lindsey, San Angelo. He is employed by 3 Rivers Flying Service as a pilot.

Ryan Bass, El Dorado. He works for Emergency Medical Technical Co. in Midland.

Nancy T. Michaelis, Big Lake. She is an English teacher at Howard College.

Matt and Donna Rudd, sons; Shawn, Christopher, Jimmy, and Paul, and daughter Shanna, San Antonio. He works for Johnston Construction.

Bart and Dali Marler, daughters Shannon and Shelly, son Joe, El Paso. He is employed by Lone Star Aviation.

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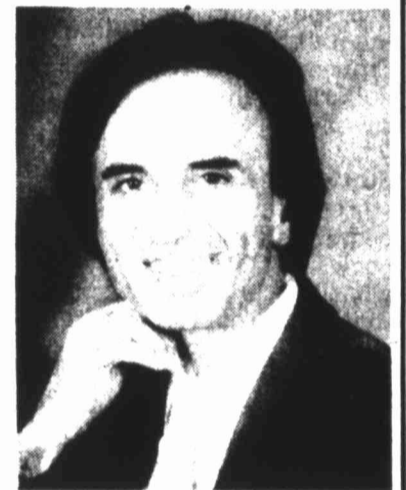
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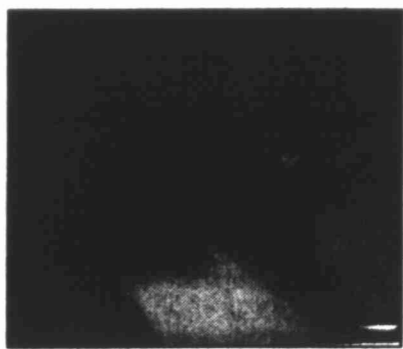
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Kids' nutrition for Halloween doesn't have to be disappearing act

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Have a healthful Halloween? Uh-oh.

Here comes the Halloween grinch to tell us to hand out little boxes of raisins to trick-or-treaters, or tell the kids to eat apples instead of candy corn. Or, maybe to suggest we not buy those bags of bite-size chocolate candy bars (of which more end up in our own candy bowl than in the trick-or-treaters' bags.)

It's no mystery that free candy is a big part of what Halloween is about for kids. But, parents who are concerned about all that sugar can do a few things to make this spooky night a little less scary from a health standpoint without taking all the fun out of it.

First and foremost, remember to keep it a safe Halloween by reminding your children to let you inspect all their candy when they get home. Discard candy that looks strange or doesn't have wrappers. Avoid homemade goods or fruit, unless you know they came from a friend or trusted neighbor.

Halloween doesn't have to be all about candy. Focus on a party, a Halloween meal, Halloween costumes and Halloween crafts. Carve that jack-o-lantern, make witch hats, watch a scary movie or tell scary stories.

If you want them to have something healthful to balance all those snacks, add a little fun to the mix.

Dunk for apples, decorate pumpkin or banana cupcakes with low-fat cream cheese frosting sweetened with a little sugar or honey, make apple cider and stir it with long cinnamon sticks, toast marshmallows (which are low in fat, if not sugar) and squash them between graham crackers.

Kids don't have to eat all that candy at once (no matter what they say). Talk

them into eating less by having them stretch it out over a period of days.

Some of those concentrated-chocolate treats can be stretched even further by chopping them up and sprinkling them over low-fat yogurt.

Does your child have a friend who didn't get to go trick-or-treating? Suggest they choose the candy they want the most and then take the bag to the friend's house to share. Or, share some of it with the church food bank, which is now stocking up for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Incorporate the Halloween theme into dinner Sunday night or all weekend. Here are a few ideas for a scary menu:

GHOULISH CHICKEN FINGERS (this idea and the next is from The Online Kitchen with Bob at www.iqvc.com): Cut boneless chicken breasts lengthwise almost to one end to make five fingers on a "hand." Dust with flour, dip in egg, roll in seasoned breadcrumbs and fry on each side until golden brown. Trim the tip of each finger with a black olive half "fingernail."

GOOEY EYEBALLS: Peel 6 hard-cooked eggs, cut in half lengthwise, remove yolks and fill with softened cream cheese. Press one green pimento-stuffed olive into the center of the cream cheese (pimento "eye" staring up).

SPOOKY TACOS (recipe from Kraft Foods): Mix ground beef with seasoning mix. Shape into 1-inch meatballs and bake. Fill taco shells with 1 meatball, shredded lettuce, shredded yellow cheese and your favorite salsa. Then, put two more meatballs on top of the tacos with a dollop of sour cream on each. Put a slice of green, pimento-stuffed olive on each meatball to make two horrible staring eyes.

BEST SELLERS

Hot R&B Singles
(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports and radio playlists)

1. "Satisfy You," Puff Daddy (feat. R. Kelly). Bad Boy.
2. "We Can't Be Friends," Deborah Cox (w/R.L.). Arista.
3. "Get Gone," Ideal. Noontime.
4. "U Know What's Up," Donell Jones. LaFace.
5. "Heartbreaker," Mariah Carey (feat. Jay-Z). Columbia. (Gold)
6. "My Love Is Your Love," Whitney Houston. Arista. (Gold)
7. "Spend My Life With You," Eric Benet (feat. Tamia). Warner Bros.
8. "Vivrant Thing," Q-Tip. Violator.
9. "Back At One," Brian McKnight. Motown.
10. "Back That Thang Up," Juvenile (feat. Manny Fresh & Lil Wayne). Cash Money.

Top R&B Albums

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled and provided by SoundScan)

1. "Let There Be... EVE—Ruff Ryders' First Lady," EVE. Ruff Ryder. (Platinum)
2. "Blackout!," Method Man/Redman. Def Jam.
3. "Back At One," Brian McKnight. Motown. (Platinum)
4. Soundtrack: "The Best Man." Columbia.
5. "400 Degreez," Juvenile. Cash Money. (Platinum)
6. "Internal Affairs," Pharoahe Monch. Rawkus.
7. "Where I Wanna Be," Donell Jones. LaFace.
8. "I Want It All," Warren G. G-Funk.
9. "Mary," Mary J. Blige. MCA. (Platinum)
10. "Black On Both Sides," Mos Def. Rawkus.

Hot Rap Singles

(Compiled from a national sample of sales reports collected, compiled, and Provided by SoundScan)

1. "Satisfy You," Puff Daddy (feat. R. Kelly). Bad Boy.
2. "I Want It All," Warren G (feat. Mack 10). G-Funk. (Gold)
3. "4, 5, 6," Sole (feat. J.T. Money and Kandi). DreamWorks.
4. "Step To This," Master P (feat. D.I.G.) No Limit.
5. "Simon Says," Pharoahe Monch. Rawkus.
6. "U-Way (How We Do It)," Youngbloodz. Ghet-O-Vision.
7. "Jigga My N," Jay-Z. Roc-A-Fella.
8. "P.E. 2000," Puff Daddy (feat. Hurricane G). Bad Boy.
9. "Back That Thang Up," Juvenile (feat. Manny Fresh & Lil Wayne). Cash Money.
10. "Bling Bling," B.G. (feat. Baby, Turk, Mannie Fresh, Juvenile & Lil' Wayne). Cash Money.

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WHO'S WHO

Sheree Rivas, a member of the senior class at Grady High School, has been recognized as a scholar finalist in the National Hispanic Recognition Program, as announced by principal Richard Gibson.

The National Hispanic Recognition Program is a college board program that provides national recognition of the exceptional academic achievements of Hispanic high school seniors and identifies academically well-prepared Hispanic high school seniors for postsecondary institutions.

Students from this area are among the approximately 120,000 included in the 22nd Annual Edition of The National Dean's List, 1998-99.

Students are selected for this honor by their college deans, registrars or honor society advisors and must be in the upper 10 percent of their class, on their school's "Dean's List," or have earned a comparable honor.

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Anthony W. Braden of Garden City, and Tiffany L. Madison of Stanton.

Big Spring Junior High School announces 14 seventh grade candidates qualifying for recognition in the Duke University Talent Identification Program.

The Duke University program is dedicated to being a national leader in the identification of academically talented students. The program has a rich history dating back to 1980 representing from over 5,580 junior high and middle schools in a 16-state region.

One of the program goals is to provide information resources for students, teachers, and parents. The candidates for the 1999/2000 year from Big Spring Junior High School are: Brandon Boling, Regan Criswell, Tiffany Emerson, Chad Hammock, Kandis Harmon, Jessica Hughey, Mary Hunnicutt, Allen Risner, Spencer Roberts, Manaj Thangam, Veronica Villarreal, Lindsay Wagner, Melissa White and Ryan Yeater.

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THURSDAY-Meat loaf, potatoe, green beans, salad, milk/rolls, cookies.

FRIDAY-Roast beef, baked potatoes, peas, & carrots, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

COAHOMA SCHOOLS

MONDAY-Chalupas (corn dogs), fries, salad, blueberries, milk.

TUESDAY-Steak fingers (sub sandwich), gravy, potatoes, green beans, rolls, jello w/fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-BBQ chicken (chili dogs), baked beans, macaroni & cheese, bread, milk, pears.

THURSDAY-Spaghetti w/meat (barritos), corn, rolls, carrot sticks, milk, pineapples.

FRIDAY-Frito pie, ranch beans, pickles spears, fresh fruit, milk.

BIG SPRING SCHOOLS

MONDAY-Corn dog, potato rounds, carrot sticks, orange wedges, milk.

TUESDAY-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, blackeye peas, mixed fruit, hot roll, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Taco, salad, corn on cob, refried beans, apple, milk.

THURSDAY-Chicken nuggets, macaroni & cheese, fried okra, jello w/pineapple, hot roll, milk.

FRIDAY-Hamburger, salad, french fries, pinto beans, lemon pie, milk.

FORSAN SCHOOLS

MONDAY-Pizza, buttered potatoes, salad, strawberry shortcake, milk.

TUESDAY-Enchiladas, spanish rice, salad and cheese, crackers, fruit churros, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Hot dogs, french fries, salad, relish and onions, ice cream, milk.

THURSDAY-Sloppy joes, onion rings, salad, pickles and onions fruit pie, milk.

FRIDAY-Steak and gravy, whipped potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, peaches, milk.

ELBOW SCHOOL

MONDAY-Corn dogs, pork n beans, peas, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Burrito, corn, salad, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Hot dog, potato salad, vegetarian beans, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Spaghetti/meat sauce salad, garlic bread, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY-Hamburger, french fries, salad, pickle, milk.

Rice graduate student finds beauty in shotgun-style house

HOUSTON (AP) — It stood on a weedy lot in the city's Fifth Ward awaiting a strong wind or the bulldozer. Its walls flaked barn-red paint, porch supports zigged and zagged, windows surveyed neighbors with a dead-fish stare.

Vacant 15 years, the broken down shotgun house, like hundreds of its kind throughout the city, seemed destined for demolition.

But where others saw a ramshackle, possibly dangerous eyesore, Brett Zamore, a Rice University graduate architecture student, saw a chance to prove that housing of the past has a future. More than that, Zamore, 28, saw an emblem of what a community ought to be: a place where people intensely interact with their families and neighbors.

In a yearlong project that has seen Zamore chasing grants, sawing 2-by-4 boards and wrestling a new tin roof into place under a tropical sun, the 1920s dwelling is being transformed into a showcase of ingenuity.

The house — Zamore's challenge to those who, willy-nilly, would raze decayed housing only to replace it with soulless, cookie-cutter apartments — will make its public debut at a Nov. 13 open house.

"Its genius is its simplicity," Zamore said of the house, whose restoration is nearly complete. "I have a love for the type. It's beautiful, and it's sad that it's being ripped out of the landscape."

A so-called "vernacular" housing type that traces its history to West Africa by way of the Caribbean, the shotgun house, conventional wisdom holds, takes its name from the configuration of its rooms. Typically, the house is a long, narrow

building — one story tall, one room wide. A bullet fired through the front door would exit through the back without hitting anything.

The linear arrangement of the rooms, Zamore said, provides cross-ventilation, admirably suiting it for Houston's torrid climate. The front porch encourages neighborliness.

"It's a building type that has a very interesting history," said Rice architecture dean Lars Lerup. "According to historians, it's the only African-American building type we have. . . . You go from one room to another; it exposes everyone to everyone. There's a legitimate argument that it creates a different social life than when everybody is compartmentalized."

"You have to realize that in Africa, this openness, this lack of privacy, was a positive," said Houston artist John Biggers, in whose paintings such houses are a recurring theme. "There were no secretive aspects in the African family."

"They call it a 'shotgun' house, but when I was in Nigeria I learned that they really are called 'shoguns' — that's Yoruban for 'God's house.'"

The geometry of the shotgun — the triangle and the square — was ubiquitous in African architecture. And, Biggers found, even the royal burial chamber of Egypt's grandest pyramid repeated the simple room-to-room shotgun formula.

When enslaved Africans were taken to the Caribbean, they brought the architectural style with them. Shotgun houses arrived in New Orleans in the early 1800s as Haitian planters, slaves in tow, fled black revolution. The housing type then spread across the American South, appearing wherever African-Americans lived.

Computer woes hamper Hershey candy sales

HERSHEY, Pa. (AP) — Problems involving a new computer system have disrupted distribution of Hershey's chocolates, so some little ghosts and goblins will be disappointed tonight.

And Santa might be next in line to be affected.

Hershey Foods Corp., the nation's largest candymaker, announced a 16 percent drop in third-quarter earnings per share earlier this week. Hershey Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Kenneth L. Wolfe acknowledged that the company's distribution woes have led to lost sales and increased costs.

He said the company had hoped to get customer service back to normal by the end of the month but that the goal would not be met. He said the company still expects to improve through the end of the year.

He gave few details, but The Wall Street Journal reported recently that spot shortages of Hershey's products have prompted many stores to replace their usual supplies of the company's candies with other brands.

NEWCOMERS

New residents of Big Spring welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include:

Christopher and April Clark and Mykly, Odessa. He is the manager of Taco Bell.

Joyce Smith, Greenwood. She is a SWCID student.

Steven and DeAnn Marino and children Simone, Reagan, and Lindsey, San Angelo. He is employed by 3 Rivers Flying Service as a pilot.

Ryan Bass, El Dorado. He works for Emergency Medical Technical Co. in Midland.

Nancy T. Michaelis, Big Lake. She is an English teacher at Howard College.

Matt and Donna Rudd, sons Shawn, Christopher, Jimmy and Paul, and daughter Shanna, San Antonio. He works for Johnston Construction.

Bart and Dali Marler, daughters Shannon and Shelly and son Joe, El Paso. He is employed by Lone Star Aviation.

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In those two cities had a 78 percent reduction in frequent robberies, she said.
SCS credits its stopping meth thumbprint, prog police substations — of that, but the police showed the most results.
Potential thieves warning — signs at the door, warning who enters that the audio and video spot.
"You can watch being recorded," said That hasn't deterred thieves, most of between the ages of but it has drastically the numbers of thieves has not only meant

Tight job market could have unintended consequences, economists say

DALLAS (AP) — With the Texas economy about as strong as it's been in the past 30 years, the job market favors applicants over employers.
In cities such as Dallas and Austin, where many technology companies have set up shop in recent years, jobs in high tech and other fields are going unfilled for lack of qualified applicants. Even along the border with Mexico, unemployment rates in some places have dropped into the single digits.
The tight labor market is certainly good news for job seekers and workers, but economists say it could lead to unintended consequences including

increased population, more traffic and higher home prices.
The supply of available labor is so tight that it threatens to limit economic growth, according to Lori Taylor, a senior economist with the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas.
Ms. Taylor, who wrote about the job market in a recent issue of the bank's newsletter, said the muscle-flexing economy could have unforeseen effects, including upward pressure on wages — inflation. She predicts that employers will conduct bidding wars to attract good employees.
Higher pay and better fringe benefits are more likely to attract newcomers to

places like Dallas and Austin. That, she predicts, will push up housing prices and increase the cost of living in the state's major cities.
Ms. Taylor warned that if the cost of availability of labor rises too high, companies will begin looking outside the state to expand. She noted that Round Rock-based Dell Computer Corp. recently opened its first major facility outside Texas, in Tennessee.
"You don't have to look very hard to see a direct connection between the economic growth in this market and housing prices," said Bruce Kellison, associate director of the Bureau of Business Research at the University of

Texas in Austin. "It's phenomenal what's happened around here in the last five or 10 years."
The jobs keep coming, too. Recently, Computer Sciences Corp. of El Segundo, Calif., announced it plans to build a \$160 million campus on three square blocks in downtown Austin, housing 3,500 workers.
Those workers will need places to live and that, economists say, will drive up local housing prices, which have already soared 75 percent in this decade.
The migration of workers, both skilled and unskilled, has also caused school enrollments to jump. Suburban

districts such as Plano, north of Dallas, are on a school-building binge, and inner-city districts are dealing with the children of immigrants.
"Infrastructure isn't keeping up with the growth, and that's adding to traffic congestion and leading to environmental concerns," said Ray Perryman, who runs a business-consulting company and writes a newsletter about the Texas economy.
While economists worry about the ramifications of the tight labor market, they say an influx of workers from elsewhere in the state, the nation and even the world have taken some of the pressure off.

7-Eleven stores fight back against thieves

By BILL MCCLELLAN
News Editor

It happens too often. Someone walks into a convenience store, grabs an 18-pack of beer, a bottle of wine or two, runs out the door, past shocked customers and the checkout clerk.



LINDSEY

It's called a "beer run," and the thefts amount to thousands of dollars in lost revenue each year. Lately, convenience stores have been fighting back. And what they and Crime Stoppers have come up with, has potential thieves thinking twice before they act.
Tuesday, representatives of Southwest Convenience Stores, Inc., Crime Stoppers and local peace officers will display the first posters of a suspected thief making a beer run at a 7-Eleven store in Big Spring.



SHEEDY

The program began when SCS figured there had to be a way to fight back against criminals. "We went to the police department to see if there was something we could do to stop all these beer runs, and we also wanted to get Crime Stoppers involved," said Lindsey. "7-Eleven, Inc. (formerly Southland) had been using posters from felony crimes with some success, and we decided to try that."

Caught in the act by a video camera he was unaware of, the perpetrator will have his picture plastered on the doors of all eight 7-Eleven stores in the city and a reward of \$50 on his head.

"Big Spring and Howard County Crime Stoppers is happy to join forces with Southwest Convenience Stores to help stop these beer runs," said Mark Sheedy, chairman of the local Crime Stoppers organization. "This has proven to be an effective way to not only apprehend criminals, but to deter crime."

The idea of video taping suspects and displaying still shots from the tape began as a pilot project in Odessa and was immediately successful.
"When we put the first poster up (in Odessa), the suspect was caught within an hour. The next one we put up on a Friday, and the thief was identified by Monday," said Laurie Lindsey, claims coordinator for Southwest Convenience Stores (SCS), which operates 172 7-Eleven stores in Texas and New Mexico.



A video still from a 7-Eleven in Odessa shows a man entering a store. The suspect, who grabbed items and ran, was identified when the photo was placed on a poster. He is now in jail on \$250,000 bond.

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It was started in Odessa on April 4 of this year. A month later, the posters were put up.

The videos went in Midland stores a month after that and have since been placed in Lubbock, Wichita Falls and Albuquerque, N.M.
Beer runs at the 7-Elevens dropped by 50 percent in Odessa and by nearly 80 percent in Midland within a month after the posters began going up, said Lindsey.

Avantech

Electronic systems maker sees acquisition by Parker as positive for employees

By BILL MCCLELLAN
News Editor

Parker Hannifin Corporation has acquired Avantech Corporation, a move that Avantech owner Ron Osborn sees as a positive one for the local company, its employees and Big Spring.



OSBORN

"We think it's a good deal for us. It's particularly good for our employees," said Osborn, who will stay on as business manager for this division.
"From a business perspective, we'll join forces with a company they bought over in Sweden. We'll be doing some long range development on products as a combined group," said Osborn. "We're going to be able to draw on a lot of resources we didn't have. This is a very global business and you have to have a strong international presence to compete."

Washkewicz, president of Parker Hannifin Hydraulics Group.

Osborn said one of the best aspects of the acquisition is what it will do for Avantech's 24 employees.

"Our people will become part of a Fortune 500 company and have one of the best employee benefit packages available. It's a real nice deal for our employees. That was probably as much as driving factor as anything," Osborn said.

With 1999 projected sales of \$1.8 million, Avantech designs and manufactures electronic controls and systems for the construction, rescue equipment, aerial reach and municipality markets.
"Our products are designed to go out in the worst environments and survive," said Osborn. "We particularly target the mobile market."

The sale could mean additional employees at the local plant, eventually, Osborn believes.
"They will also be transferring in some products out of Chicago and Cleveland to manufacture them here, hopefully requiring us to add some employees for the additional workload," said Osborn.

Terms of the acquisition were not disclosed.

Most aphid infestations don't warrant treatment

I have received several calls over the past two weeks concerning a shiny substance on the leaves of pecan trees. The substance is caused by aphids, very small insects that have sucking mouth parts.



DAVID KIGHT

There may be as many as 200 aphids per pecan leaf. They suck the nutrients and water out of the tree and excrete the shiny substance that we find on leaves, cars, driveways and homes.

This residue is commonly called honeydew. It is easily washed away by rainfall or with irrigation. Treatment can also be made with general purpose pesticides at recommended rates or with dormant oil. In some instances plain dishwashing soap and water works well.

It is important to get good coverage on the trees which can be difficult for the homeowner to achieve on large trees. Another option is to do nothing. Most large pecan trees will survive heavy infestations of aphids for short periods of time. Aphid numbers will decline greatly after the first hard freeze.

There are many types of aphids and they affect many plants of all kinds throughout the growing season. In all instances, they can be controlled, but in most cases they

do not reach economic thresholds to warrant treatment unless it is for ornamental purposes.

Howard County Extension Service is a part of the United States Department of Agriculture in cooperation with Howard County Commissioners Court.

(David Kight is Howard County Extension Agent — Agriculture. His telephone number is 264-2236 and his office is located in the basement of the Howard County Courthouse.)



Howard College livestock judging teams fared well in their first contest at the Washington County Fair in Brenham. Students are, from left, back row, Will Hartnett, Justin Weinheimer, Josh Minzenmayer, and front row, Cager Bishop, Tyson Meier, J.W. Smith, Levi Bowen, Jessica Pope, Lochle Musgrove, Jill Gladden and instructor Vance Christie.

HC judging teams win top honors

HERALD Staff Report

Howard College livestock judging teams participated in the Washington County Fair in Brenham, winning top honors as high point overall team for the Novice Division.

The team made up of Will Hartnett of Bellville, Cager Bishop of Brownfield, Jill Gladden of Muleshoe and Tyson Meier of Fredericksburg was also first in sheep, swine,

placing and reasons, and took second high team in cattle.

A second team made up of Lochle Musgrove of Big Spring, J.W. Smith of Sterling City, Josh Minzenmayer of Ballinger and Justin Weinheimer from Fredericksburg won second in the sheep contest. Others participating with the team were Jessica Pope of Coahoma and Levi Bowen of Roscoe.

In individual standings, Hartnett was second high overall, second in reasons and third

in sheep and cattle. Bishop received third overall, was first in sheep and third in placing. Gladden placed fifth overall and was third in swine. Musgrove placed second in the sheep contest.

"I was pleased with the quality of work the students have put forth and their success at this first contest," said teach coach Vance Christie. "The students are working hard and we

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Brazilian flies being used to kill fire ants

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Introducing a Brazilian fly to kill South American fire ants won't create an ecological problem, Oklahoma officials say.

Earlier this month, researchers introduced the tiny flies in Bryan County in hopes of controlling the pesky fire ants, which have spread to southern Oklahoma in recent years.

U.S. Department of Agriculture researchers have studied the Phorid fly in detail and are certain it will kill only the fire ant and won't create

any other environmental havoc, researchers said Tuesday.

The ants, which have infested 11 Southeastern states, aggressively swarm on any object that disturbs them. They are considered a threat to livestock, crops and people allergic to their sting.

Indigenous ants, which help control the fire ants, shouldn't be threatened by the tiny Brazilian fly, said Russell Wright, head of Oklahoma State University's Entomology and Plant Pathology Department.

"The ones we're introducing will only kill the fire ant," he said.

Officials have cautioned against the widespread use of pesticides to eradicate the fire ant for fear that the chemicals would also kill native ants, Wright said.

The female Phorid fly, or Pseudacteon tricuspis, is about one-sixteenth of an inch long and lives up to two weeks. It can kill about 200 fire ants by stinging them and depositing eggs in their bodies.



Poka Lambro was officially welcomed to the city last week with Big Spring Ambassador's Club holding a ribbon cutting at the business, which is located at 1900 Gregg St., Suite B. Poka Lambro offers digital and long distance telephone service.

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In those two cities, we have had a 78 percent reduction in product loss and a 66 percent reduction in frequency of occurrences," she said.

SCS credits its other crime stopping methods — thumbprint, programs and police substations — with part of that, but the posters have showed the most dramatic results.

Potential thieves have enough warning — signs are placed on the door, warning everyone who enters that they are under audio and video surveillance. And the monitors are easy to spot.

"You can watch yourself being recorded," said Lindsey.

That hasn't deterred all would be thieves, most of whom are between the ages of 16 and 24, but it has drastically reduced the numbers of thefts. And that has not only meant a savings in

dollars for the store, but has improved safety.

"These kids come in and they are running out and someone could get hurt. There is a definite danger to the customers," said Lindsey. "Our primary concern is for the safety of our customers and employees. Of course, we don't want to see underage kids out there drinking and driving either."

The program has the blessing of local peace officers.

"I think this will go a long way in making a major dent in some of these beer thefts and convenience store thefts we've been having," said Big Spring Police Chief Lonnie Smith.

"They've been a pain to law enforcement as well as business owners. Posting the posters will be an excellent way to do help deter those thefts."



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In addition to the program, SCS has donated the Faces composite drawing program to the police department and sheriff's office.

Crime Stoppers encourages anyone who has information about any crime to call their hotline.

"Crime Stoppers is authorized to pay up to \$1,000 for the arrest and conviction of anyone committing a crime," said Sheedy.

Those who call Crime Stoppers can remain anonymous. To provide information about a crime occurring in Big Spring, call 263-TIPS. To provide information about a crime occurring in Howard County, call 264-TIPS.

JUDGING

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expect this to be the first of several exciting wins for these team members in the near future.

Frito pie legend bites the dust

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — OK, so maybe Santa Fe didn't invent Frito pie.

But even a Frito's executive says the City Different's version beats the one made in San Antonio which could claim the distinction of having invented the concoction way back when.

Local legend has it that Woolworth's restaurant worker Teresa Hernandez came up with Frito pies sometime in the 1960s when she was looking for a way to boost sales during a slow January.

The Wall Street Journal has a different story. According to Frito-Lay lore, Daisy Dean Doolin, mother of company founder Elmer Doolin, invented Frito pie in 1932 in her San Antonio home. She poured leftover chili — Texas chili, that mixture of meat, onions, tomatoes and sometimes beans — over Fritos.

John McCarty, a longtime Santa Fe resident who was a

Frito-Lay executive for years, vouches for the popularity of Frito pies. McCarty, recruited by Doolin in 1952, hired Frito's first home economist, Nell Morris, who put together a cookbook of recipes using company products, including Frito pie.

"I probably published the first official version of it, as far as I know," McCarty said. "That was in the 1950s."

Today, Frito pies apparently aren't well known in San Antonio. A receptionist at that city's convention and visitors bureau said ice cream trucks were the only places she knew that sold them. San Antonio food writer Ron Bechtol said he hadn't heard Frito pies were invented there, and added, "The only place they're served is in funky places in the hill country."

Tod Mackenzie, spokesman for Plano, Texas-based Frito-Lay, agreed with Santa Fe's

claim to the ultimate pie. "I've had Frito pies at the Texas State Fair and at Woolworth's in Santa Fe," he said. "I think Santa Fe can lay claim to being better than anybody else. If who invented it first is disputed, then the best is undisputed."

In the City Different, Frito pie is haute cuisine, at least on the Plaza at Five and Dime, successor of Woolworth's.

Teresa Hernandez, Santa Fe's "Frito Pie Lady," is a partner at Five and Dime and still makes and serves them there.

When she came up with the idea of selling Frito pie at Woolworth's, local restaurants and drive-ins offered Fritos and chili in a paper cup, she said. She decided to slit open a Frito bag and cover the contents with red chili and cheese.

"So we did it that way, and it grew and grew," Hernandez said. "We never thought it would grow this big."

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- Crawford, Aunray Vashun, 2600 Carlton Dr., Big Spring
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- Edmondson, Peggy A., 807 E. 14th, Big Spring
- Eliett, Rae L., 538 Westover #246, Big Spring
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Howard County Clerk's Office: Marriage Licenses:

- Gabriel Anthony Martinez, 19, and Crystal Ann Pena, 17
- Willie Gene Cooper, 32, and Monica Lynnette Clinton, 23
- Ricky Alan Sleight, 29, and Debra Jo Whitley, 22
- Larry Danelle Williams, 57, and Glenda Williams, 56
- Christopher Beserra, 21, and Monica Angelita Guerra, 22
- Jose Maria Echavarria, 28, and Margarita V. Guzman, 27
- Billy Kenneth Swafford, 48, and Regina Colleen White, 31

Court Records:

- Revocation of probation & imposition of sentence: Calvin Marion, David Nieto
- Probated judgment possession of marijuana under two ounces: Trevor Roten \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Daniel W. Richardson \$300 fine and 180 days in jail, Orbin H. Daily Jr. \$850 fine and 180 days in jail, Natalie Renee Buckner \$500 fine and 180 days in jail
- Judgment & sentence possession of marijuana under two ounces: Jimmy Juarez \$300 fine, \$299.25 court cost and 30 days in jail
- Probated judgment DWI: Edley Ray Rutledge \$2,000 fine and 365 days in jail, Ralael Garcia \$1,500 fine and 180 days in jail, David Lee Campbell \$2,000 fine and 365 days in jail, Cynthia Dutchover \$500 fine and 180 days in jail, Donald Edward Myrick (2nd offense) \$2,500 fine and 365 days in jail, Marlon Moncada \$1,500 fine and 180 days in jail, Amanda Lynn Perryman \$1,500 fine and 180 days in jail, Danny Joe Brunson \$1,500 fine and 180 days in jail, Salvador Garcia Jr. \$2,500 fine and 365 days in jail
- Judgment & sentence fail to give information upon striking unattended vehicle: Davie H. Nieto \$250 fine, \$284.25 court cost and 90 days in jail
- Probated judgment DWLS: Christine Kohanek \$250 fine and 180 days in jail, Joseph M. Knowles \$250 fine and 180 days in jail
- Order of dismissal: Robert Gene Thompson, Michelle Yvonne Martinez,

Jerry Lee Wrightsil, Gustavo Cortez

- Hernandez, Orbin H. Daily Jr., Billy Gene Shubert, Margie Marie Nunez, Orbin H. Daily, Robert H. Nunez, Terral Charles Fryar, Celeste Jones
- Probated judgment DWI: Otis Kermia Porter \$100 fine and 180 days in jail, Daniel W. Richardson \$250 fine and 180 days in jail
- Judgment & sentence fail to report injury accident at once: Terrell Charles Fryar \$100 fine, \$184.25 court cost
- Judgment & sentence possession of marijuana under two ounces: Paula Sue Baker \$200 fine, \$234.25 court cost and 10 days in jail, Demetro Martinez \$500 fine, \$234.25 court cost and 20 days in jail

Deeds:

- Warranty deed with vendor's lien: grantor: Kenneth J. and Deborah M. Gerhardt; grantee: Donald R. Taylor; property: 38.328 acres of land, more or less, out of the northeast 1/4 of section 27, blk. 33; filed: Oct. 18, 1999
- grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum; grantee: Pete Rosenbaum; property: all of lot 11, blk. 5, Stanford Park Addition; filed: Oct. 18, 1999
- grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum; grantee: Debra Maas; property: all of the north 1/2 of lot 5, blk. 2, Morningside Addition; filed: Oct. 18, 1999
- grantor: Michael L. Seal; grantee: John Michael Osborne; property: the east 1/2 of lot 3, blk. 1, Reynolds Addition; filed: Oct. 20, 1999
- grantor: Joe A. and Christy Baldwin; grantee: Ronald R. and Joanne Sayles; property: a 5.0 acre tract out of the south 1/2 of the southeast 1/4 of section 13, blk. 33; filed: Oct. 21, 1999
- grantor: William A. and Carolyn Davey; grantee: Ronald G. Jr. and Brandy I. Leicher; property: all of lot 20, blk. 5, Kentwood Addition Unit No. 1; filed: Oct. 22, 1999
- grantor: Charles Hood; grantee: Gary and Ruth Nieman; property: a tract of land in section 40, blk. 32; filed: Oct. 22, 1999

Warranty Deed:

- grantor: James M. and Marsha Stewart; grantee: Chuck Rosenbaum; property: all of lot 11, blk. 5, Stanford Park Addition; filed: Oct. 18, 1999
- grantor: William Stovall and Philip Stovall; grantee: Kirk Thomas; property: the surface estate only in 2 tracts of land located in the northeast 1/4 of section 43, blk. 33; filed: Oct. 20, 1999
- grantor: Robert Graham Construction, Inc.; grantee: Rebecca Suzanne Smith; property: a 2.02 acre tract of land out of a 156.11 acre tract in the north part of

section 8, blk. 32

- filed: Oct. 21, 1999
- grantor: Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.; grantee: Marcellous Weaver; property: a 5.67 acre tract of land, more or less, out of the east 1/2 of section 20, blk. 33; filed: Oct. 22, 1999
- grantor: Richard K. Worley and Michael Book; grantee: Angelo Mini Storage, Inc.; property: lot 7, blk. 1, Banks Addition; filed: Oct. 22, 1999
- grantor: Alma Shafer, Terry Shafer, Tammi Shafer Hill, William A. Shafer,

Jimmy Shafer, Peggy Abernathy,

- Barbara Wallace; grantee: Tony Shafer; property: undivided 1/2 interest and without limitation each grantors conveys all interest owned by such grantor of record and all additional right, title and interest, if any of grantor, in southeast 1/4 of section 30, blk. 25; filed: Oct. 22, 1999
- 118th District Court: Filings: Family: Enid Amber Stonerock vs. Marlon Chandler; Valinda Holguin vs. Ismael Holguin; Accounts, notes & contracts: Sears, Roebuck and Co. vs. Isabel Flores

Sietra Wall Service, Inc. vs. Morita Oil

- & Gas, L.L.C. and Richman Petroleum Corp.
- Divorce: David Molina vs. Jennifer Molina; Kyle Heckler vs. Patsy Heckler; Sylvia Wilson vs. Robert Wilson; Leandro C. Sanchez vs. Vickie A. Sanchez
- Injuries & damages with a motor vehicle: Edna Gonzales vs. Jess Franklin Blair
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Brick 2BR 1bth CH/A,
carport
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HOUSES**
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garage. Fenced yard. Call
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bath, double carport.
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air, fenced yard. \$400/mo,
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Clean, new carpet 3br.
2bth. 2604 Carlton.
\$450/mo, \$200/dep. Call
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bath. \$50/dep. \$125/mo.
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utilities pd. \$150/dep.
\$300/mo. 1208 Main 3
bdr. 1 bth. \$300/mo.
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For rent 3 bdr. 104 Circle.
3 bdr. 2521 Dow, and a 2
bdr. 2009 Johnson. For
more info. 264-0793 or
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For Rent 3/2, Prime
area. Open floor plan,
fireplace, CH. A. Call
267-4350.

FOR RENT: Coahoma -
available Nov. 1st. 3
bdrm 2 bath brick
w/fireplace \$550/mo.
\$200/dep. 263-4548 after
5:00pm.

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HOUSE**
FOR RENT
REFURBISHED FARM
HOUSE
2 mi. North of Coahoma.
3BR - 1 bth. Carport. Free
water. Nice view.
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E. 5th, 3/1/1, new carpet
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Coahoma. \$295/mo.
References & deposit
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR
SUNDAY, OCT. 31:**
Home, security and family
life remain top priorities this
year. You are often amazed by
what life presents; if you can
use these surprises to energize
your life and decisions, you'll
gain. Partners in general are
tough, somewhat withdrawn or,
even if sunny-tempered, with-
holding part of themselves. If
you are single, spring offers you
a palette of options.
Choosing could be a delight. If
attached, your relationship
could be tested. What are you
looking for from this person?
Pushing your sweetheart to
open up or be more loving
won't work. He needs to be
ready. Unexpected actions
mark your mate's behavior.
LEO loves to go out.

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)
**** Let another's lightness
into your life. You might be
overly serious, presently.
Unexpected developments concerning
plans, friends and a
loved one keep your life excit-

ing. Don't let insecurity put a
damper on the Halloween spir-
it. Tonight: Make sure you
have your share of goodies.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
*** Pressure on the homefront
could make you uncomfortable.
A parent or older relative does
the unexpected and tosses plans
to the wayside. Your response
could be way too severe or seri-
ous. Let some Halloween fun
into your life! Tonight: You're
happiest close to home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
***** Mosey through the door;
make calls first, and invite others
along. You might need to
take care of another, who feels
blue and out of sorts. Don't
internalize a problem - discuss
it. It might not have any real
basis. Another presents a whole
new point of view. Tonight:
Answering the door.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
*** Last-minute needs com-
pound your expenditures. A
friend doesn't mean to be
demanding, but he is certainly
making his feelings known!
You might opt to reverse plans,
surprising a partner. Talk
about real needs and your
financial boundaries. Tonight:

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HOROSCOPE
Get into the "trick or treat"
mood.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** Though family could be a
concern, your sunny ways
make the best of the day. Invite
an older friend over who might
be a bit depressed, even on
Halloween. You could be sur-
prised by what comes through
your door right now. Be sensi-
tive to a partner. Tonight: Do
your own thing.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** Pace yourself. You might
want to cover a lot of ground,
but you actually need some R
and R. Squeezing time in amid
the celebrations, pumpkin pie
and fun takes talent. Reverse
plans if need be. Do what is
good for you. Tonight: Vanish
if you can.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Join friends; make the
most of a spontaneous, fun
gathering. What happens when
you meet another for the first
time could be very exciting. A
partner has been hard on you.
Let go of problems. Zoom in on
a new friendship. Tonight:
Wherever you are, the party is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
**** Someone, his choices and
his behavior could easily chal-
lenge you. Only you know what
works for you. Listen carefully
to a family member, even
though he might be eccentric.
Make your own plans; head in
a new direction. Tonight: A
must appearance.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec.
21)**
**** Go with unusual plans
right now. Be willing to break
a pattern. Though you feel
refreshed in the company of
others, you might also be drag-
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