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WEATHER

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Sands Elementary sets K, pre-K registration date

Sands Elementary pre-K and kindergarten registration will be Monday from 1:40 to 2:20 p.m.

At this time, Sands Elementary will be registering prekindergarten and kindergarten students for the 2000-2001 school year. Parents need to bring immunization records, social security numbers, and birth certificates.

For more information, contact Zeldia Bilbo at 353-4314.

Lawsuit reform topic for June 1 Kiwanis Club

Ken Hoagland, director of communications for Texans for Lawsuit Reform, will speak at a noon luncheon of the Kiwanis Club of Big Spring on Thursday, June 1, in the Cactus Room at Howard College.

The public is invited. Lunch is \$5.25. Those who plan on having a meal should make reservations by Monday, May 29, by calling Billy T. Smith at 267-6479.

WHAT'S UP...

MONDAY

Big Spring Evening Lions Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 East Third.

TUESDAY

Intermediate line dance classes, 9 a.m. Senior Citizens Center, call 267-1628.
Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

WEDNESDAY

Optimist Club, 7 a.m., Howard College Cactus Room.

Senior Circle Big Spring Mall walkers meet 9:15 a.m. in front of movie theater box office.

Big Spring Downtown Lions Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

Line dancing, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center, Industrial Park.

Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third.

THURSDAY

Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. U42060, Hermans, 7 a.m.

Big Spring Senior Citizens Center Art Classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

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Rains are a welcome sight, though farmers look for more

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

Friday's rains were a blessing, area farmers agree, and for few it signaled the go-ahead to begin planting.

"It was wonderful," said Roylyn Reid, who husband, Donnie, farms in the Coahoma area. "We got about one and six-tenths inches. Donnie said he will probably begin planting next week."

From all reports, rain was

more sparse to the north. Less than a half-inch was reported around Ackerly. In the Knott vicinity, farmers reported seven- to eight-tenths.

"This is a good start but it's a long way from being enough to plant on," said Van Gaskins. "We'll have to wait until we get some more. We don't have any choice."

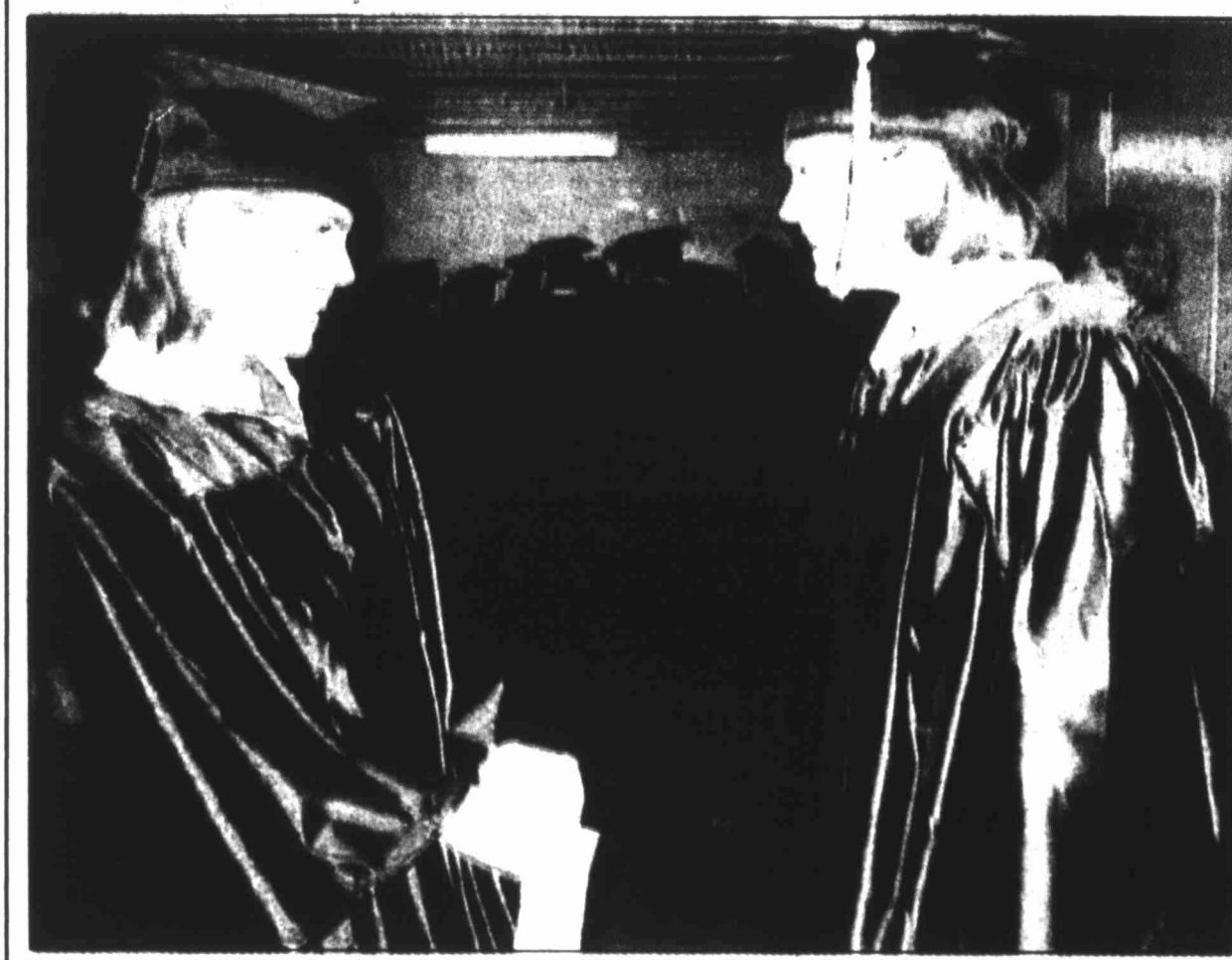
A mile and a half north of Big Spring along U.S. Highway 87,

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Vehicles hit a low water spot in Big Spring Friday afternoon after the city received an unofficial 1.49 inches. Area farmers reported between a half-inch and 1.8 inches. According to the National Weather Service, there is a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms this afternoon.

HERALD photo/Bill McClellan



Graduating seniors Amanda Nicole Turney, left, and Nicci Lynne Vizcaino prepare to receive their high school diplomas. Big Spring High School graduated its first class in the 21st Century Friday night.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Fire chief could be named Tuesday

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

A decision on who will be named Big Spring's next fire chief could come as early as Tuesday night.

"We've been interviewing all this week," City Manager Gary Fuqua said Friday afternoon.

"We've contacted five candidates and interviewed three."

The three who have been

interviewed are all members of the Big Spring Fire Department — Alex Calvio, deputy chief; Steve Hedges, deputy chief; and Brian Jensen, deputy chief and interim fire chief.

Also contacted have been Eddie Varela, fire chief for the Barstow Fire Protection District in Barstow, Calif.; and George Quick, director of operations at the Louis F. Garland Fire Academy in San Angelo.

"We have not interviewed the two who are from out of town, but they have indicated an interest in the position. They should let me know Monday if they are interested in an interview," said Fuqua.

The men are looking to take

the position formerly held by Frank Anderson, whose retirement was effective March 1. He had taken leave, however, late last year, and Jensen was appointed interim chief at that time.

Conducting the interviews has been a three-person panel made up of Fuqua, Assistant City Manager/Personnel Director Emma Bogard and Big Spring Police Chief Lonnie Smith.

"There is 75 years of city administrative experience on that panel," noted Fuqua, who is charged with selecting a fire chief — subject to approval by

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FUQUA

Forsan High students receive year-end awards

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

Many Forsan High School seniors received scholarships and awards during a special awards presentation on Thursday.

Those receiving awards and scholarships include:

A Honor Roll — Meagan Fishback, Joshua Gibson, Evan Pruitt, Lori Ellis, Megan Knight, Elizabeth Sutton, Kristen Newton, Michael Rowden, Dustin Baker, Kyle Newton and Derek Wash
Perfect attendance — Rachel Kaelin and Kyle Nichols
UIL Scholar Awards — Derek

Wash, Kyle Newton, Ashley Alexander, Leslie Patterson and Allison Miller

Presidential Academic Awards — Ashley Alexander, Stacey Anderson, Javier Becerra, Kimberly Cain, Julia Cox, Jessica Hogg, Kyle Newton, Leslie Patterson, Tiffany Sayles, Allison Miller, David Stone and Derek Wash

Career Colleges and Schools of Texas 2000 Scholarship Award — Leanne Miller

Burger King/McLamore American Scholarship Program Nominee — Kyle Newton
Forsan Ex Students Association

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118th District Court jury finds Odessa man not guilty of DWI

HERALD Staff Report

Not guilty was the verdict handed down Thursday by a 118th District Court jury in the case of an Odessa man charged with felony driving while intoxicated.

The jury apparently decided it could not find 37-year-old Jerry McCain guilty on a preponderance of the evidence, said Howard County Assistant District Attorney Robin Orr, who prosecuted the case.

"It was a tough case, but one we thought needed to be tried, so we tried it," said Orr.

The jury viewed video of a field sobriety test and of the booking process.

"I have to respect those folks on the jury. I know they were giving serious, effort and we have to respect their decision," Orr said.

The single-day trial began at 9 a.m. and the jury came back with its verdict shortly before 4 p.m.

Tax values

Oil prices could boost county taxable values by up to \$70 million

By BILL McCLELLAN
News Editor

Those high prices at the gasoline pump should pay off through a boost in taxable values, officials say.

Keith Toomire, chief appraiser for the Howard County Appraisal District, said Thursday that taxable values could increase \$70 million for Howard County.



TOOMIRE

"That's almost all due to the increase in oil prices," said Toomire.

The hike in oil — from \$12 to \$30 a barrel — will mean an increase in mineral values for the Howard College district and area school districts. It's not likely to help the city, however, which has very little mineral property.

"The city may be about even. The school will show just a little increase on my part (property values)," said Toomire. "When you add minerals and Fina inventory, the school (Big Spring ISD) should go up, too."

"The county and college should see a significant increase. Forsan and Coahoma school district should see an increase too, due to the oil," he added.

Property values as a whole throughout the county are expected to remain about the

same. Agricultural values are continuing to decline because of the drought.

Because the increase in mineral values are tied to the price of a barrel of oil, they are not stable. If and when oil prices drop, values will drop as well. That's because the oil base for Howard County continues to decline.

"About the only positive thing there is that we have some relatively new production within the Coahoma ISD, due to new technology," said Toomire. "Everywhere else, it's tied to the price of oil. We're still in a decline in the county as far as production."

The appraisal district's estimate of a \$70 million increase for the county means taxable values would rise from \$975 million last year to some \$1.043 billion for 2000.

"Hopefully that \$70 million is conservative, because it is just an estimate," said Toomire.

Tax appraisal notices have gone out for this year. Property owners who receive a tax notice will note that their property has been appraised and a dollar figure estimated on last year's tax rates. Obviously that estimate could go up or down, depending on tax rates set by the city, county, school and college boards.

"When we reappraise and we change the value up or down one dollar, we send an appraisal notice. That tells them what we are proposing the value of their

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Al Scott, a retired Marine and member of VFW Post 2013, salutes as the American flag is lowered by Clarence Hartfield Jr., right, and Harrison Lee Jr. at the Hangar 25 Museum Friday morning. The VFW post gave new American and Texas flags to the museum.

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OBITUARIES

Justine Robin

Justine Robin, 86, of Kermit, died Friday, May 19, 2000, at her daughter's home in Odessa.

She was born May 6, 1916, in Mason City, Neb. She was a resident of Kermit for 30 years. She was a homemaker and a member of Kermit American Legion Post 339 Ladies Auxiliary.

She was married to Roy Robin, who preceded her in death on Jan. 26, 1992.

She is survived by one son, Lyle Charles of Kermit; a daughter, Karen Phillips of Odessa; three step-sons: Verne "Rob" Robin of Big Spring, Marshall Robin of Powell, Wyo., and Mike Robin of Basin, Wyo.; a sister, Amber Foster of Kearney, Neb.; 13 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are pending under the direction of Cooper Funeral Chapel in Kermit.

RAIN

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an inch and six-tenths was reported. Producers out that way were thankful for the rain, but it still isn't enough to plant on.

Rob Haney, who farms several places in the county, said he received a half-inch to one and two-tenths of an inch.

"It's too preliminary to tell," he said, about the prospects of planting.

Horace Tubb had received eight-tenths of an inch by midday Friday, some five miles south of Big Spring.

"It sure brought the frogs out," he quipped.

Unofficially, Big Spring received 1.49 inches at the USDA Research Station on Interstate 20. It was the first rainfall of the month for the city, and unofficially puts the year's total at 6.69, compared to a norm of 5.96.

San Angelo received 2.26 inches of moisture, according to the National Weather Service in Midland. Area reports showed 1.26 inches in Colorado City, 1.05 to 1.41 in Midland, 0.61 in Lamesa and 0.32 in Snyder.

There is a 20 percent chance of rainfall this afternoon. The forecast calls for a temperature in the upper 80s with southeast winds at 5 to 15 miles per hour.

VALUES

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house is," said Toomire.

"Anyone who has qualified for a homestead should be getting one. If anyone brought property in 1999 or the first part of 2000, they should be getting one. It doesn't mean the value is going up. It means we are notifying them as new owners what we feel the value is."

Toomire said the majority of notices this year concern agriculture properties. Most of those are down, due to the drought.

Property owners who feel the appraisal district has appraised their property too high are invited to visit the appraisal district between now and June 8 to try and work out a value. If an agreement cannot be reached,

the matter goes before the appraisal review board.

"They are three non-partisan citizens. They don't represent the taxpayer or the district," said Toomire.

The appraisal review board will begin meeting June 26. Certification of values must be made by July 25.

"Those who have a question about the appraisals should contact the appraisal district. Now would be a good time, said Toomire.

"We're not busy right now. Anyone with a question can just drop in and should not have to wait long," he said.

CHIEF

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the city council.

"The panel members rate the candidates and then we'll sit down and discuss it and I'll make my decision," said Fuqua. "I will make my appointment known to the city council and hopefully they will confirm it."

"It is my intention to select the candidate that I feel will do the best job for the citizens of Big Spring."

Barring setting up another interview, the city council is scheduled to enter into executive session after it takes care of regular business during Tuesday's 5:30 p.m. meeting at city hall.

Fuqua said a decision on the new fire chief could come Tuesday, or, if necessary, at the next council meeting.

The position has an annual salary of \$45,000 to \$50,000, based on experience, Fuqua said.

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— Ashley Alexander
Outstanding English III student — Taylor Bristow

Highest average BCIS I — Ashley Pierce, Megan Fishback

Highest average BCIS II — Haley Burks, Lori Ellis

Highest average Desktop Publishing — Jennifer Huff

Outstanding keyboarding student — LeDawn Burt, Brent Huff

Outstanding BCIS student — Jennifer Lopez

Outstanding accounting student — Callie Burt, Tiffany Sayles

Academic Achievement housing — Daniel Whetsel

Creative projects interior design — Brad Gillham

Academic Achievement child development — Chelsea Bearman

Academic Achievement family and career management — Leanne Miller

Sewing project (apparel) — Karissa Reed

Academic Achievement nutrition and food science — Ashley Reed

Academic Achievement personal and family development — Rachel Kaelin, Jennifer Lopez

Spanish I high point boy — Kyle Nichols

Spanish II high point girl — Codi Graves

Spanish II high point boy — Angel Serrano

Spanish III high point girl — Jessica Paredes

Spanish III high point boy — Derek Wash

Outstanding reader — Alonso Sanchez

Yearbook Editor — Julie Cox

Outstanding student council member — Joey Gutierrez, Jennifer Lopez

TSA state winner best in division — Matt Miss, Lee Meadors, Shane Mereness, Billy Kinsey, Evan Pruitt, Nathan Ritz, Ty Savell, Matt Alexander

Outstanding technology student — Matt Mims

Band director's awards — Kimberly Cain, Jessica Paredes, Cliff Dunnam, Brodie Wash, Ryan Tant, Kristy Paul, Sylvia Roy

John Phillip Sousa Award — Jessica Paredes and Kim Cain

Howard College Scholarships: Valedictorian and honors — Derek Wash

Salutatorian and honors — Kyle Newton

Honors — Ashley Alexander, Javier Becerra, Jeremy Becerra, Jarred Drummond, Jessica Hogg, Chris King, Tonnie Loera, Allison Sittig Miller, Jessica Paredes, Leslie Patterson, Tiffany Sayles and Logan Stanley

Keating Memorial — Jarred K. Drummond, Jessica Paredes, Mitzi Yancey

Dora Roberts Diplomat — Jessica J. Hogg, Kyle A. Newton, Logan H.

Stanley
Adrian and Mary Randle — Leslie L. Patterson
Adam Andrews Memorial — Chris Rios
Wendell Lawrence Memorial — Tiffany A. Sayles
Dora Roberts — Kristen D. Thixton

Forsan will have its commencement exercises on Friday at 8 p.m. in the high school gym.

Internet offers new way to steal

WASHINGTON (AP) — On sale online: fake passports, Social Security cards, birth certificates, driver's licenses, college diplomas, press credentials and even IDs for police officers and FBI agents. They're fraudulent but authentic-looking enough to enable users to steal people's identities, get loans or convince enemies they're being arrested.

You can buy them online, or you can make them yourself. A 23-year-old convicted felon told a Senate panel Friday how he created phony documents using a computer at a public library and public government records online. He used the bogus documents to get \$59,000 in car loans.

The new and growing Internet phenomenon accounts for about 30 percent of all fake ID documents in this country, according to some law enforcement officials.

"The availability of false identification on the Internet is a growing problem, to which we plan to devote additional resources and attention," Secret Service Director Brian Stafford testified before the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee's investigative subcommittee.

There are three levels of fake ID procurement, subcommittee investigators found in a five-month undercover inquiry. First, some Web sites sell bogus, real-looking documents in the customer's name. Others sell high-quality computer files, called templates, that allow customers to make their own phony documents. One such site, operated by a 21-year-old college student, charged customers \$14.95 a month for templates. He rang up some \$8,000 in sales from mid-October to mid-December last year, the Senate investigators found. Another Web site operator told authorities he made about \$600,000 a year.

The false documents offered on some sites are of "shockingly high quality," K. Lee Blalack II, the panel's chief counsel and staff director, testified at the hearing. The fake IDs often contain holograms, bar codes, magnetic stripes and other security features added to genuine documents to prevent counterfeiting.

"The Internet allows those specializing in the sale of counterfeit identification to reach a broader market of potential buyers than they ever could by standing on a street corner in a shady part of town. They can sell their products with virtual anonymity," said Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, the subcommittee's chairwoman.

In the third category are do-it-yourself counterfeiters like Thomas W. Seitz, who used the phony documents to get car loans.

"I realize what I did was illegal, but I also must say that it was not very difficult to accomplish," he testified.

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gal, but I also must say that it was not very difficult to accomplish," he testified.

Seitz, originally from New Brunswick, N.J., is serving a three-year state prison term for theft by deception and forgery. He also has pleaded guilty to a federal charge of bank fraud and is awaiting sentencing in Florida.

It sounded very easy, coming from Seitz, who has used computers since sixth grade and has worked as a network engineer. He explained matter-of-factly how he used the Internet to get names, Social Security numbers and addresses of people listed in company filings on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Web site.

In one case last year, Seitz used the personal data of an electronics company executive to create a birth certificate, driver's license and W2 income tax withholding form in the executive's name. From there it was easy for him to get car loans on the Internet using other people's identities. With a check and photocopied fake driver's license in hand, he was able to drive away a new \$40,000 Honda, one of the priciest cars on the lot.

The SEC does not require Social Security numbers in corporate filings, but some official SEC forms have, in the past, included boxes for the numbers that can be provided voluntarily. Officials of several corporations have provided their numbers, but it is not clear why.

In a criminal case that allegedly involves false ID, authorities believe Gregory J. Marcinski, 23, of Brick, N.J., flashed an emergency medical technician badge and computer-generated FBI credentials to gain access to the Florence, Ky., motel room of a British computer consultant. The body of Paul Jeffery Gale, 28, was later recovered from a swamp in Brick.

Authorities believe Marcinski killed Gale, of Naples, Fla., because Gale was dating Marcinski's former lover.

Small town swamped by heavy rains

LIBERTY (AP) — It's a battle 70-year-old Shirley Blake no longer wishes to fight.

Back in October 1994, her home and many others in Liberty were ravaged by rains that swelled the Trinity and San Jacinto rivers, unleashing a torrent of water through their homes.

Friday evening, Blake watched as band of thunderstorms dumped more than 19 inches of rain, causing waters to pour into the home she's lived in for 32 years.

"I'm not going to stay here," Blake said Saturday as friends and family helped remove soaked carpeting, damaged furniture and personal belongings from the home. "It rained constantly for three hours, without stopping. But it's nothing compared to 1994, when we had something like 40 inches of rain. I plan to sell."

Liberty, a town of 9,000 resi-

dents located 51 miles northeast of Houston, received 19.10 inches of rain Friday night and early Saturday — at least half of Liberty's yearly total — according to the National Weather Service.

About 70 residents spent Saturday night at a Red Cross shelter set up at the North Main Baptist Church in Liberty. "It got pretty bad," said church pastor Jim Clemmons.

The hardest hit area in Liberty was the Oakforest subdivision, where Blake's home is located.

Saturday afternoon, subdivision residents began pumping out water from inside their homes and drying out books, furniture and other belongings. Laws in the subdivision were dotted with piles of carpet ruined by the flood waters.

There were no deaths or serious injuries reported in the flooding.

"This is very, very unusual as far as the amount of rainfall they got," said Brian Kyle, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service's office for the Houston/Galveston area. "The storms didn't move very much. It rained over the same places over and over for hours, upon hours."

Liberty wasn't the only place socked with heavy rain.

Kingwood, about 24 miles north of Houston, received 9.14 inches of rain.

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.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.
•St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

•Greater West Texas Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, 7 p.m., Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. Topic: A Prescription for Caregivers, first Monday of each month. For more information call Galynn Gamble at 263-1271.

•Association of Retarded Citizens of Howard County meet 6:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at 806 East Third Street, the HARC bingo building. Call 264-0674 for more information.

•Family Education and Support, sponsored by Howard County Mental Health Center, meets the fourth Monday of

each month at 6 p.m. at 409 Runnels, Clyde Alsop Building. AMI meeting to follow. For more information call 263-0027 or 267-7220.

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

MEETINGS

HOWARD COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
12:30 p.m. Monday
Dora Roberts Student Union Building board room

Items on the agenda include:
• Personnel matters
• Oath of office for newly elected trustee
• Consideration of construction method for SWCID residence hall annexes
• Consideration of college preparatory plan for Howard College and SWCID
• Consideration of information technology plan
• Update on West Texas Centers for the Arts, child care center, SWCID activity center project and paving project

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
10 a.m. Monday
Commissioners court-room

Items on the agenda include:
• Personnel considerations
• Consideration and adoption of Article 343 of the Health and Safety Code pertaining to the Abatement of Public Nuisances
• Permission to hire water truck driver roller operator
• Permission to go out on bids for new 4000 gallon water truck with spray system

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Friday through 3 p.m. today:

• FREDDIE GARCIA, 52, of 811 N. Goliad, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• ISODORA GARCIA, 50, of 808 N. Nolan, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• JAMES SMITH, 23, of 702 Lancaster, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 3400 block of Airport and in the 800 block of W. 7th.

• CLASS C ASSAULT was reported in the 16000 block of Martin Luther King and in the 2600 block of Langley.

• BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 700 block of N. Lancaster.

• CLASS C THEFT was reported in the 400 block of E. 4th.

• THEFT was reported in the 2300 block of Wason, in the 1100 block of N. Lamesa, in the 200 block of Marcy and in the 1800 block of Gregg.

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Saturday 7:30 am-3:30 pm Closed Sunday
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50th Anniversary
Mom & Dad
Mr. & Mrs. John Beth Newman
Your Children...James & Dina,
David & Joann and Carolyn



Ray DeLeon performed and watch. DeLeon trophy Saturday. Adrian Valencia, Alcantara, Virgil G.

NRA

CHARLOTTE, Charlton Heston to 5,000 National Rifle members Saturday wants to serve an ed third term as t to complete a miss Al Gore's defeat in "George Washi around until the F War was won, "Roosevelt hung the world war was hung around until was won. If you w around until we too."

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HERALD photo/Carl Graham
Ray DeLeon performs his break dancing skills for those Big Spring Mall visitors who cared to stop and watch. DeLeon was part of a group called Freestyle Kings, which took home a large first place trophy Saturday during a fundraiser for Spring City Senior Center. Other members of the group were Adrian Valencia, Jay Valencia, Martin DeLos Santos, Victor Ornelas, Ernesto Muniz, Michael Alcantar, Virgil Garza and Junior Soliz.

Federal appeals court upholds limits on customers a cable company can reach

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal appeals court on Friday upheld limits on how many customers a single cable company can reach — a decision that affects AT&T's attempts to expand its cable business.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia supported a 1992 cable law that gave regulators the ability to cap the number of subscribers a company can serve.

The court rejected the arguments of cable operators that such a limit violates their First Amendment rights by restricting their ability to speak to as large an audience as possible.

The Federal Communications Commission, which sets the actual cap, had declined to enforce its rules while the court challenge was pending.

On Friday, the commission said it would begin preventing cable operators from controlling more than 30 percent of the multichannel video market. That market includes cable and competitors such as direct broadcast satellite.

Cable companies that exceed the cap have six months to reduce their holdings.

"I am pleased that the court has validated laws that promote programming diversity and protect consumers against undue consolidation in the cable television marketplace," FCC Chairman William Kennard said.

The court's decision also

could have repercussions for AT&T's pending merger with cable giant MediaOne, a deal that would cement the long-distance carrier's position as the nation's largest cable business. The combination of the two companies would exceed the cap. AT&T has asked for an 18-month waiver to come into compliance with the limit.

FCC staff had recommended giving the companies 12 months.

But consumer advocates say the court ruling makes clear that AT&T must meet the standard within six months by shedding some of their cable assets and that the company shouldn't get any leeway.

"It would be truly outrageous for the FCC to disregard their own rules," said Gene Kimmelman, co-director of the Washington office of Consumers Union. "The clock should start ticking today."

AT&T officials said the court decision does not preclude them from getting a waiver, which would give them additional time to make any required divestitures.

"The decision in no way impacts our request for a reasonable waiver to come into compliance with the FCC's ownership rules," AT&T spokeswoman Rochelle Cohen said. "The FCC has a long-standing policy of granting such waivers in mergers and has done so many times in recent years."

Another cable giant, Time Warner, had argued against the law in court. The company said the statute was an attempt to control the content of cable operators. But the court sided with the government that the rules enacted by Congress didn't favor one type of speech over another, but simply tried to ensure that there would be a multitude of speakers.

"We conclude that the Congress drew reasonable inferences, based upon substantial evidence, that increases in the concentration of cable operators threatened diversity and competition in the cable industry," the court ruled.

The appeals court also upheld another provision of the cable law that requires the FCC to limit the number of channels a cable operator can set aside for affiliated programming. That measure was enacted in response to cable operators also owning cable networks, which could make it hard for programmers not affiliated with the cable operator to get onto those systems and reach consumers' homes.

"The concern of the Congress is well grounded in the evidence and a bit of economic common sense," the court ruled.

A separate challenge to the actual percentage limit established by the FCC is still pending. Oral arguments won't be heard until the fall.

NRA president Heston lashes out at Gore in speech at convention

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Charlton Heston told more than 5,000 National Rifle Association members Saturday that he wants to serve an unprecedented third term as their president to complete a mission: ensuring Al Gore's defeat in November.

"George Washington hung around until the Revolutionary War was won," he said. "Roosevelt hung around until the world war was won. Reagan hung around until the Cold War was won. If you want, I'll hang around until we win this one, too."

Heston said the nation's gun owners are at grave risk of losing their Second Amendment

right to bear arms if Gore wins the presidency.

He and other speakers accused the Clinton administration of plotting to confiscate guns from law-abiding citizens, then ban them, beginning with licensing and registration.

"If Gore is elected, the Second Amendment will face 16 cumulative years of Clinton-Gore attacks," said Kayne Robinson, the NRA's first vice president. "It cannot survive."

Heston said the NRA has done everything he has asked during his two terms as president, including increasing its fund raising and membership. "That leaves me with one mission

undone — winning in November," he said.

His offer was greeted with a rousing ovation. He is expected to be re-elected Monday.

As Heston concluded his speech, he was handed a vintage musket, then gave an encore of his performance at his first NRA convention in 1990 in St. Louis, when he intoned the Second Amendment.

"So as we set out this year to defeat the divisive forces that would take our freedom away, I want to say those words again, for everyone within the sound of my voice to hear and to heed, and especially for you, Mr. Gore."

Lifting the musket over his head, Heston grumbled: "From my cold dead hands!"

Before Heston's speech, gun advocates marched through the streets of downtown Charlotte to show solidarity.

About 400 marchers, many in T-shirts reading "Guns Save Lives," followed a bagpiper about six blocks to the center where the NRA convention is being held.

Marie Wieglib of Troutman, N.C., was pulling a wagon carrying her two young sons and bearing a sign that read "We're an NRA family."

"I'm doing it for them," Wieglib said, nodding to her

sons Reid, 5, and Jess, 4. "I'm saving their inheritance."

Heston and other speakers never mentioned presumptive Republican presidential nominee George W. Bush, but they repeatedly brought up Gore and Clinton.

Gore's campaign said that presumptive Democratic nominee would continue to push for stricter gun control. Gore has criticized Bush's signing of a bill allowing Texans to carry concealed handguns.

"George W. Bush and the NRA are working hip holster to hip holster to promote an extremist agenda," said Gore campaign spokesman Chris

Lehane. "Al Gore will continue to fight for common sense gun reform to protect our families and he'll fight against the NRA and George W. Bush's extremist positions."

Last week, Bush announced that Texas will spend about \$1 million a year for five years to buy trigger locks that citizens can obtain free at police departments and fire stations. As president, Bush said, he would ask Congress to expand the program nationwide.

President Clinton and Gore support a mandatory trigger lock requirement, along with background checks for firearm purchases at gun shows.

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Railroad killer awaits life or death decision

HOUSTON (AP) — Newly convicted murderer Angel Maturino Resendiz has told his trial judge he wants a jury to do to him what he did to nine people over a two-year killing spree. Prosecutors are trying to present every reason to comply.

The state plans to rest the punishment phase of its case against the admitted railroad killer by midday Monday with testimony about the 1997 slaying of a Kentucky college student, the first in the string to which Maturino Resendiz is tied.

Evidence about the beating death of Christopher Maier, 21, and the rape and attempted killing of his girlfriend will close three days of often-gruesome testimony and visuals tracking the defendant's three-state rampage.

By Friday afternoon, the panel already had heard how the rail-riding Mexican drifter had killed a father and daughter in southern Illinois, a young schoolteacher in Houston and a grandmother in Fayette County,

Texas.

Testimony then shifted to the slayings of pastor Norman "Skip" Sirmic, 46, and his wife, Karen, 47, who were found bludgeoned by a sledgehammer in bed on May 2, 1999, at Weimar, between Houston and San Antonio.

Ted Neely, congregation president of the Weimar United Church, testified that he became worried a half-hour into the scheduled Sunday morning service when the usually prompt Sirmic had not arrived to preach. He went to the parsonage behind the church to investigate.

"I turned and walked into the master bedroom, and that's when I spotted Skip. He was lying on the bed, on his stomach with his head turned toward the door. I ran out of the house," Neely said.

Investigators determined that Maturino Resendiz raped the woman after obliterating her face with a sledgehammer blow. He then stole their pickup truck, later recovered in San

Antonio, and some of their jewelry was found at the defendant's Rodeo, Mexico, home.

The last case the jury heard before retiring for the weekend was that of Leafie Mason, an 87-year-old woman beaten to death with one of her own antique flatirons in her Hughes Springs home. Her body was found Oct. 2, 1998.

Randy Kennedy, police chief in the town 55 miles south of Texarkana, testified that he mowed Mason's yard as a teen and lives about a block from her home. Kennedy found a left palm print on a window that turned out to be the only evidence linking Maturino Resendiz to the crime.

The case might forever have gone unsolved had Kennedy not had the window — and the grimy print — removed in advance of a thunderstorm.

"Without a doubt, those (prints) would have been destroyed had he not taken the action to protect that glass," said Detective David Stiles, a Texarkana, Ark., investigator

who assisted.

Weimar investigators initially contacted Kennedy in February 1999 with the possible railroad killer link. Kennedy became convinced, but his suspicion wasn't verified until the suspect surrendered and gave a matching palm print last July.

The five Texas killings the jury heard about Friday were in addition to that of Dr. Claudia Benton. It was in the Houston-area researcher's December 1998 rape-slaying that Maturino Resendiz was convicted Thursday of capital murder.

Jurors learned more about the Illinois slayings of George Morber, 80, and daughter Carolyn Frederick, 51, on Thursday. Prosecutors are working in reverse chronological order to detail his killing spree.

The Kentucky victim's girlfriend, left for dead after her sexual assault, will be the last prosecution witness. Maturino Resendiz has instructed his attorneys not to mount a defense, but they persist.

What to talk about now? Rudy vs. Hillary is over

NEW YORK (AP) — And now, the sounds of silence. After months of ceaseless speculation and sound bites, New York's wildly hyped U.S. Senate race — Rudolph Giuliani vs. Hillary Rodham Clinton — has ended six months before a single ballot was cast.

Things in the world of political punditry will be a little less interesting. And a little bit quieter.

"It's not quite the same as it was before — Hillary vs. Rudy, the battle of the political heavyweights, the fight of the century," said "Meet The Press" host Tim Russert on Saturday, one day after Giuliani left the race. "Those were two unique personalities."

Indeed, Republican Rudy, with his hard-guy persona, against first lady Hillary, with her charm and carpetbag, was the race that loosed a thousand

lips on talk shows, radio stations, news channels.

Substitute Rick Lazio, a somewhat obscure Long Island congressman, for Giuliani, and the race is just not as juicy.

"Mr. Giuliani's departure from the Senate race upends what seemed destined to be a battle of political titans," The New York Times observed in an editorial Saturday.

"Disappointing," agreed the Daily News in its own editorial, noting that "New York and the nation" had been eagerly watching this race.

They didn't mention the media, but they were watching too.

Giuliani's announcement Friday at City Hall was relocated to a bigger room to accommodate the media, which included a dozen channels providing live coverage. Clinton's news conference about Giuliani's decision was equally packed.

Middle ground hard to find in trade debate as showdown draws near

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the House heads for a showdown this week on granting China permanent trade benefits, both sides agree the legislation will help shape U.S.-Chinese relations for the 21st century.

But opponents suggest it would reward human rights abusers and flood U.S. markets with cheap goods, while supporters argue it would open Chinese markets to U.S. companies and improve conditions by exporting American values.

Over the weekend, the dwindling number of undecided House members faced an intensive lobbying campaign, from television and radio ads to letter-writing campaigns and vis-

its to congressional districts.

Proponents claimed momentum and said they were close to the 218 votes needed for passage.

But lawmakers on both sides agreed the vote, expected late Wednesday or on Thursday, could be razor close.

Approval seemed certain in the Senate, which was waiting for the House to act first.

Organized labor, joined by environmental and some labor groups, led the fight against the plan to give China permanent normal trade relations.

Corporate America worked aggressively for the bill, one of President Clinton's top foreign policy priorities.

Seeking further support, Republican leaders agreed late last week to link the bill with separate legislation creating a commission to monitor human rights in China.

The trade bill has caused political turbulence, with Democrats pitted against Democrats and Clinton uneasily aligned with the same Republican leaders who voted to impeach him.

The president planned to promote the trade bill in a nationally televised address Sunday night from the Oval Office.

He canceled the speech Friday night after hearing from congressional Democrats that such a high-profile appeal might cost

him some House votes.

The legislation would end the current practice of renewing China's favorable trading status annually and extend it to Beijing on a permanent basis.

The United States would give China the same access to U.S. markets it now routinely gives nearly every other country.

"Establishing free and fair trade relations with China is good for American jobs, it is good for American workers and it is good for our national security," says House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill.

Counters House Democratic Whip David Bonior of Michigan, a staunch labor ally: "The China trade deal won't

help us export American products — only American jobs."

"After all, how many cell phones and microscopes, how many SUVs and microwave ovens, can you sell to Chinese factory workers earning 13 cents an hour? Sure, we'll see more business investment in China — but it will be to manufacture products for export back to the United States."

The annual votes on China have been used as leverage to apply pressure on human rights, religious freedom and other issues. But not once has Congress denied the trade preference to China, even after the 1989 Tiananmen Square crackdown.

"The annual review over the last 20 years has been kind of a meaningless act," said Rep. Robert Matsui, D-Calif., a leading China-trade bill sponsor.

The permanent status is linked to China's entry into the 135-nation World Trade Organization, the Geneva-based organization that oversees global trade.

China was one of the charter members of the WTO's predecessor, the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, when it was formed after the end of World War II.

China resigned in 1950, a year after the communists seized power. For the past 13 years, China has tried to rejoin.



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LaDonna Hale

Kendra,

Life is all about changes. Make the best of it. We Love You!






We are all very proud of you! Dad, Lesa, Kasey & Paw Paw

Kendra Gamble

Gary,

Seems like only yesterday you were learning to crawl and now you're all grown up and graduating. Congratulations - We are very proud of you.





We Love you. Good luck in your future. Go with God. Love, Dad, Mom, LaDonna & Justin.

Gary Hale

Tony,

We are very proud of you, and all your accomplishments.


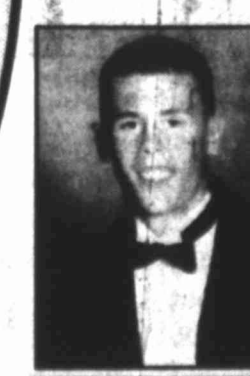


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You have come a
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best in college. May
all your dreams
come true. May God
bless you always.
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Tammy Hatcher

Kris,
You have
accomplished so
much as a son.
But you have
accomplished even
more as a FRIEND.



GOOD LUCK
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Achieve your goals
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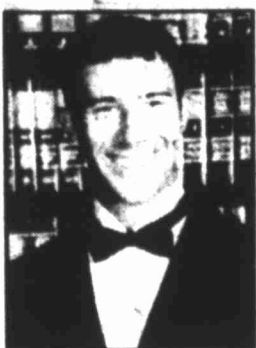
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you've grown
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a big guy!



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God bless you
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We love you
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As you go through life May
God be above you to watch
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encourage you, beside you to
befriend you, in front of you
to guide you, and within you
to give you peace.



Love always,
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You've come a
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We love you
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EDITORIAL

"Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."
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OUR VIEWS

Council should rescind vote on Kids Zone

An item on Tuesday's Big Spring City Council agenda calls for the council to rescind its vote to change the name of Kids Zone to Katy McAteer Kids Zone. We urge the council to do so.

We think that few if any would disagree that Katy's leadership was a driving force behind Kids Zone, the large playground in Comanche Trail Park. It's possible that without her insistence, it would never have become a reality, though we also know that many other individuals played a role in making that dream come true.

As we remember our dealings with Katy as a co-worker, she was not the kind of person interested in memorials to herself. Her interest was always on the children.

Further, the community has already participated in the naming of the facility. The name was picked by those submitted by children, and for that reason, should not be changed.

We're also not comfortable with the council embroiling itself in such an issue as the renaming of a community project built by donated funds.

If the council wants to concern itself with Kids Zone, it should take steps to see that the facility is kept up. When we last looked, there was an exposed pipe, broken swing seat and other equipment, trash lying about and a general appearance of disregard.

Katy wanted a playground that the entire community could be proud of. We think that she would be upset to see it as it is today.

Some think that a small plaque in Katy's name might be a good idea. We have no problem with that. But as to the name of the play area itself, let's leave it as the children themselves named it: Kids Zone.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:
On April 29, 11 youth and 12 adults from the First United Methodist Church painted our house and rebuilt screens.

bottom of our hearts we say, thank you.

Earlier in the year, Trinity Baptist Church provided for the siding and its installation. I want to thank all involved for doing a great job, from the

Everyone who has seen the house tells me how pretty it is. To the churches, the men, women and youth involved, thanks a million.

GRACE AND EDNA OWEN
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OTHER VIEWS

We haven't seen one in our area yet, but we've been reading about billboards in other places bearing the message, "Jesus was a vegetarian."

chapter of Luke, where the risen Jesus appears to the disciples. In verses 41-43 we read, "And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat? And they gave him a piece of broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. And he took it, and did eat before them." Pave it but not vegetarian, unless you consider fish a vegetable.

The latest controversy stirred up by People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals gets Christian carnivores riled in just about every city it hits. The Bible is mostly silent on what Jesus ate, preferring to focus on what he taught, but it's not entirely silent. We refer the reader to the 24th

THE NORMAN (OKLA.)
TRANSCRIPT

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Ugliness among the byproducts of communism

PRAGUE, Czech Republic — Among the many sins of communist rule, and one of the hardest to get rid of, is uglification. To the small



CHARLEY REESE

minds that swarm out from under the rocks to become leaders in communist countries, buildings that are simply beautiful or historically significant are just examples of bourgeois decadence.

Here and elsewhere, when the communists ruled, most of these buildings were deliberately neglected and allowed to deteriorate. The communists would build high-rises. They are typical of the ugly Soviet style and equally shoddy Soviet construction. Today, they are a blight on the fringes of every city. They are ugly. They are falling apart. But trying to make Prague

ugly is like trying to make a mountain flat. The beauty of Prague resists everything. At this time of year, with lilacs blooming and chestnut trees loaded with blossoms, the beauty of the old city on Vltava (Moldau in German) River empties the mind of such subjects as politics and economics. It sings one message: Life, life is beautiful, life is reaffirmed.

Prague, of course, is the capital of the Czech Republic, which used to be Czechoslovakia, which used to be part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and before that Bohemia.

The second scar, which lingers yet from communist rule, is lack of morality. I don't mean that Prague is some kind of Sin City on the Vltava. The 41 years of communism knocked a big dent in religion. (In the Czech Republic and Hungary, only about 17 percent to 20 percent of the population say they are religious.) This, in turn, knocked a big dent in morality, such as telling the truth and not filching from the your employer. As we can see in Russia, the

lying and stealing and bribery, which are necessary means of survival in a communist country, become liabilities when an attempt is made to transition to capitalism. Capitalism itself requires a certain level of honesty to function. Functioning without the restraint of religious morality, capitalism can be as brutal as communism.

Graffiti, a sign of people with no respect for other people or their property, is everywhere, and police seem disinclined to do anything about it. Perhaps ailing President Vaclav Havel would do better to borrow a few cops from New York than to suggest Madeleine Albright as his successor.

But despite that, civilization is definitely making a comeback in Eastern Europe. Though it made no sense for us, being admitted to NATO was a big deal for the Czechs, Poles and Hungarians. They are less nervous about the Russians. They are now eager to be admitted to the European Union.

A decade has passed since communist rule was ended in Eastern Europe. The old and

the beautiful are being restored. People once more can see a future. Their economies are beginning to pick up.

It seems to me that it would make more sense for American firms, if they must go overseas, to invest in Eastern Europe than to cut deals with Chinese commissars. And it would make more sense for American evangelists to try to restore Christianity to Europe than to try to convert Muslims who already have a religion and a moral code to live by.

After all, when we look at European faces, we see America.

We are part of European civilization. Its long history is also our history, and our shorter history is likewise Europe's history. We are one people, sprouted from a common seed planted in common ground — Europe.

Like us, Europe also has its minorities, including Africans and Asians.

But like us, the majority is European. Americans would do well in these times to remember their heritage and who they are.



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What makes a (step) mother?

Elaine Seay Oliver thinks there are certain women forgotten on Mother's Day and maligned every day: stepmothers.

Stepmothers are the evil characters in fairy tales, the Julia Roberts-like mixers of movies, or tarts without hearts.

So Elaine, a Dunwoody, Ga., grandmother, wrote a tribute to the loving woman who raised her in Moore, S.C.: Edna Pruitt Seay. A stepmother.

Good poetry is a matter of taste. Some love Ogden Nash and others Ezra Pound. Some turn up their noses at Alfred the Lord and others at T.S. Eliot.

Me, I have a weakness for heartfelt rhyme. So I phoned Elaine and asked her about this stepmother who inspired 20 verses.

"I still get choked up when I think how hard it must have been for her," Elaine says. Elaine has three sons and two grandchildren of her own, and with each child has come a new layer of understanding.

amazement even at what her stepmother accomplished. Edna Pruitt married a widower 13 years her senior. Ed Seay had seven children. Edna quit nursing school and moved into a grief-stricken home with no electricity or indoor plumbing, where the farm income was supplemented by trapping and tanning.

"My sister says we lived so far out in the country that to go hunting our father had to walk toward town," Elaine quips.

To help make ends meet, Edna worked in the cotton mill at night. She birthed one child of her own, Ada Mae, who died after only a few hours. One stepson, at age 24, was shot by an assailant and left brain-damaged after surgery. Edna cared for him at home.

Elaine wrote a poem, which her oldest son, Bobby Oliver, sent to me. "She worked very hard on this poem," he said, "and I think she cries every time she reads it."

I think Elaine's done a small service for all good stepmoms out there. It might not be to your taste, but it's from her heart. Here's a small part of the poem:

My mother died before I was three
And left a big void in our family.
We all had to suffer a terrible

loss,
But Dad said he'd keep us together
No matter the cost. ...

Within a few months he could see
Without a helpmate this could not be.

And so he proposed within a year's time
To a very special person, that Stepmother of mine. ...

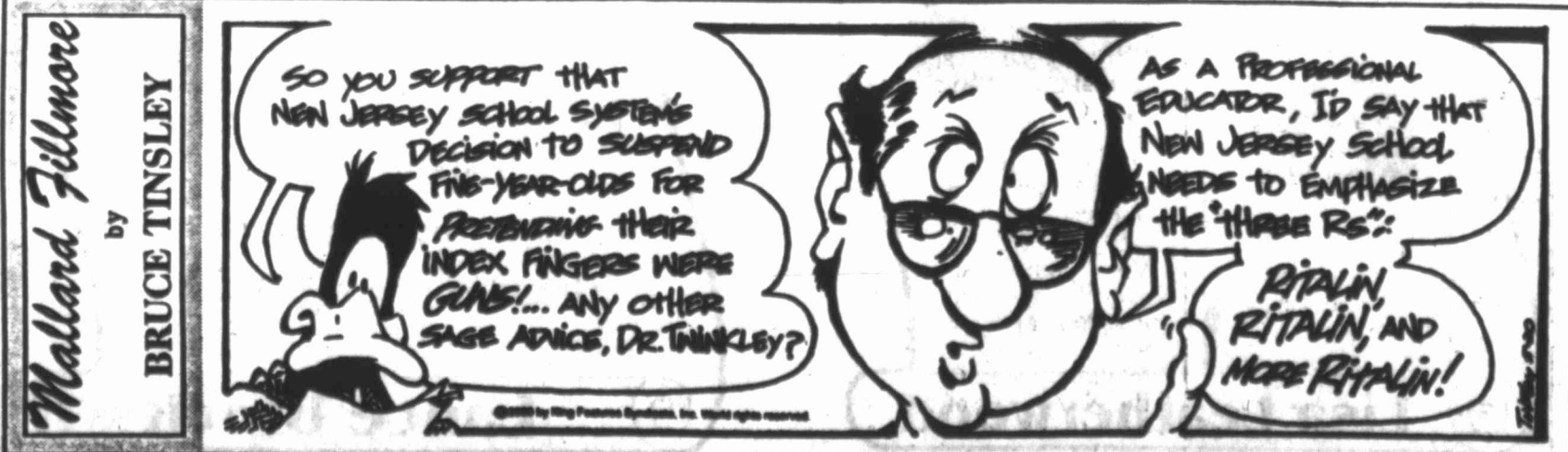
Oh, Mother's Day was a special time.
We'd get a new dress from that Mama of mine.

You would wear a rose of white if your mother was dead
But if she was living, then you would wear red.

"But is it right to wear white? I said.
"You're my mother now, shouldn't I wear red?"
Mama smiled at me, and then she said
"If this is the way you want it to be
You can wear white for her, and red for me."

I asked Elaine what Edna looked like. In my mind she now stood about 7 feet tall.

"No, not really tall, and maybe sort of plump," Elaine says. Edna had diabetes, but died at home at age 75. Yet, through sweet memories she lives.



Mallard Fillmore
by
BRUCE TINSLEY

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Ballapalooza re deadline will b
Tuesday is the entering teams for annual Ballapalooza Tournament scheduled June 3-4 at the R Complex.
Sponsored by the Area Chamber of Sports Committees, ment will be li teams.
Entry fees are \$ For more info enter a team, call at 263-7641.

Summer tennis slated to begin
The 2000 Big Spring Tennis has been scheduled through June 1 at Tennis Center in Trail Park.
The four-day youngsters between of 5 and 18 will 1 hours of intens each day under of Sarah Corso Blacketer.
Fees are \$96 per camp sessions w a.m. to noon each. For more info Blacketer at 264-6

Steers basket scheduled for
The 2000 Big Spring Basketball Camp scheduled to be May 29, at Steer Camp sessions from 8:30 a.m. t each day through The camp is op sters between the eighth grades. Fe per youngster
The deadline for Monday, May 22. For more info Jimmy Barry at YMAA 263-37

Camp of Cham to begin June
The Camp weightlifting c Spring High Sch June 5 at the B Training Center. The camp is youngsters in gr For more info Ricky Long at 2 Big Spring High ic department at

Softball tourn for June 9-11
A challenge tournament has uled for Fri Sunday, June 9. The tourname one to six home challenges, the ing.
The deadline p.m. Thursday. For more info Mike Martinez Mack Galan at 0134.

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Television
AUTO RACING
10 a.m. FIA For Europe Grand Prix Noon — Indian Trials, ABC, Ch. 2
2 p.m. — NASO Truck Series ESPN, Ch. 30.
2 p.m. — AC D Series, TNN, Ch. COLLEGE BASEBALL
2 p.m. — Big 2 Tournament char FXS, Ch. 29.
4:30 p.m. — S Conference Tournament onship game, FOX MAJOR LEAGUE
1 p.m. — San Atlanta Braves, T 7 p.m. — Balt Texas Rangers, NBA PLAYOFFS
2:30 p.m. — C Conference sem Knicks at Miami GOLF
2 p.m. — PGA final round, CBS
4:30 p.m. — Waterhouse Ch round, ESPN, Ch NHL PLAYOFFS
2 p.m. — Dail Colorado Avalan Conference cha ABC, Ch. 2.

IN BRIEF

Ballapalooza registration deadline will be Tuesday

Tuesday is the deadline for entering teams for the second annual Ballapalooza Softball Tournament scheduled for June 3-4 at the Roy Anderson Complex.

Sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee, the tournament will be limited to 20 teams.

Entry fees are \$120 per team. For more information or to enter a team, call Andi York at 263-7641.

Summer tennis clinic slated to begin May 29

The 2000 Big Spring Steer Summer Tennis Clinic has been scheduled for May 29 through June 1 at the Figure 7 Tennis Center in Comanche Trail Park.

The four-day camp for youngsters between the ages of 5 and 18 will feature three hours of intensive training each day under the direction of Sarah Corse and Jim Blacketer.

Fees are \$96 per player and camp sessions will be from 9 a.m. to noon each day.

For more information, call Blacketer at 264-6834.

Steers basketball camp scheduled for May 29

The 2000 BSBS Steers Basketball Camp has been scheduled to begin Monday, May 29, at Steer Gym.

Camp sessions will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. each day through June 1.

The camp is open for youngsters between the second and eighth grades. Fees will be \$45 per youngster.

The deadline for enrolling is Monday, May 22.

For more information, call Jimmy Moseley at 264-0403.

Camp of Champs slated to begin June 5 at BSBS

The Camp of Champs weightlifting camp at Big Spring High School will begin June 5 at the BSBS Athletic Training Center.

The camp is designed for youngsters in grades 5-8.

For more information, call Ricky Long at 263-0519 or the Big Spring High School athletic department at 264-3662.

Softball tournament set for June 9-11 in Stanton

A challenge men's softball tournament has been scheduled for Friday through Sunday, June 9-11, in Stanton.

The tournament will feature one to six home run per game challenges, the lowest prevailing.

The deadline for entries is 7 p.m. Thursday, June 8.

For more information, call Mike Martinez at 756-2603, or Mack Galan at 684-5277 or 559-0134.

ON THE AIR

Television

AUTO RACING

10 a.m. FIA Formula One Europe Grand Prix, FXS, Ch. 29.
Noon — Indianapolis 500 Time Trials, ABC, Ch. 2.

2 p.m. — NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series Grainger.com 200, ESPN, Ch. 30.

2 p.m. — AC Delco Challenge Series, TNN, Ch. 35.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

2 p.m. — Big 12 Conference Tournament championship game, FXS, Ch. 29.

4:30 p.m. — Southeast Conference Tournament championship game, FXS, Ch. 29.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

1 p.m. — San Diego Padres at Atlanta Braves, TBS, Ch. 11.

7 p.m. — Baltimore Orioles at Texas Rangers, ESPN, Ch. 30.

NBA PLAYOFFS

2:30 p.m. — Game 7, Eastern Conference semifinals, New York Knicks at Miami Heat, NBC, Ch. 9.

GOLF

2 p.m. — PGA The Colonial, final round, CBS, Ch. 7.

4:30 p.m. — Senior PGA Waterhouse Championship, final round, ESPN, Ch. 30.

NHL PLAYOFFS

2 p.m. — Dallas Stars at Colorado Avalanche, Western Conference championship series, ABC, Ch. 2.

Troy sends Bulldogettes packing early from state tourney



Coahoma catcher Kortney Kemper applies the tag to put out a Coahoma runner as she tried to score during the Bulldogettes' regional championship shutout. Coahoma was not as lucky Friday afternoon, however, suffering a 3-2 loss to Troy in the Class 2A state semifinal game in Austin.

By MIKE BUTTS
Herald Correspondent

AUSTIN — Rain chances hung over Coahoma's state semifinal softball game against Troy Friday. But it was Snow that did the Bulldogettes in.

Troy sophomore first baseman Hannah Snow's sacrifice fly in the top of the ninth inning made for the winning hit in the Trojanettes 3-2 win.

And for the fourth time in five years Coahoma (26-8) failed to win a state softball championship after making it to the state tournament. This was the first time in the four trips the Bulldogettes lost in the semifinal round.

"The only thing I'm unhappy about is the team goes away thinking they are losers, and that is far from the truth," Coahoma coach Robert Royer said. "People tend to feel second and third is bad, but there's nothing wrong with that."

Coahoma got the tying run to third base in the bottom of the ninth inning, but Erin Stovall grounded out to the pitcher to end Coahoma's season.

The Bulldogettes made three errors in the game, two of which contributed to Troy runs. They did not score in the last seven innings of the game played at the Pleasant Valley Sports Complex.

"I know everyone who made a mistake

feels like hers was the deadly sin," Royer said. "But there wasn't any one mistake that did it."

A Bulldogette infield error helped set up Snow's fly ball that scored pinch runner Lauren McMurtry in the ninth.

Snow, Troy's leadoff hitter, finished the game with two hits and a run. She had the Trojanettes winning hit in the team's region championship win over Crawford this year.

"We've just been fighters all year," Troy coach Shannon Cottle said. "And once again we were down and we didn't give up."

Coahoma took a 2-0 lead in the second inning as Troy (20-8) committed three errors.

Center fielder Brandi Hurt led off with a triple. Left fielder Karen Sterling then singled her home and later scored on an error on Stephanie Sparks' ground ball to first.

Bulldogette starter Amber Bingham (15-4) tied the record for most strikeouts in a Class 2A state tournament game with 12. The mark had been set only hours before by Alto's Alison Liles.

"She's a very gutsy pitcher and she doesn't get any respect," Royer said of his junior ace. Bingham gave up ten hits but went the distance and shut Troy out for seven of the nine innings.

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Bulldogs sweep New Deal

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

LUBBOCK — New Deal's Lions, for a third straight year, got more of Delvin White than they wanted.

White, the left-handed Coahoma pitching ace, threw a one-hitter Friday in the opening game of the Bulldogs' best-of-three regional quarterfinal playoff series with the Lions at Lubbock Christian University's Hays Field.

The result was a 14-0 cake Saturday, as White's offense that dominated the Lions to a third consecutive regional quarterfinal exit at Coahoma's hands.

White blasted a two-run homer in the bottom of the third inning to give the Bulldogs a 4-0 lead, then added a leadoff double to center in the bottom of the sixth, sparking a two-run rally that led to a 9-4 Coahoma win.

The Bulldogs, now 26-5, now advance to the Region I semifinals where they'll face Stamford, which eliminated Hamlin in their series.

For a second straight week, Aaron Ovalle was able to go the distance in Game 2 of a playoff series, giving up just two earned runs and scattering five Lions hits on Saturday.

In Friday night's series opener, White was every bit as intimidating as he'd been expected to be ... perhaps even moreso.

Admittedly miffed by comments Lions shortstop Cade Pierce and several of his teammates had made in Friday's edition of the *Lubbock Avalanche-Journal*, White indicated before the game that he wanted to strike out at least 18 New Deal batters.

Instead, White fanned 16 Lions batters and went the distance in chalking up the one-hit shutout win. He was also 2-for-5 at the plate and drove in



Coahoma pitching ace Delvin White, shown here throwing a shutout against Ozona in the area play-off round, did it again Friday, tossing a one-hitter at New Deal in a 14-0 Bulldogs win. Saturday it was White's bat that yielded a two-run homer and a double, as the Bulldogs swept the Lions in the best-of-three series with a 9-4 victory.

three runs in the 14-0 laugher.

In fact, by game's end, White had New Deal batters flailing away at pitches that were far outside the strike zone, while Pierce was sitting on the team bus after having been ejected in the bottom of the fifth for a display of unsportsmanlike conduct.

To Lewis' way of thinking, the Bulldogs did all the damage necessary in the first inning Friday.

"We scored once in the first inning and that was the only one we needed," Lewis commented in a matter-of-fact tone. "And when Delvin shut them down in the bottom of the

inning after they'd loaded the bases with nobody out, they knew they'd blown the only chance they were going to get."

Indeed, New Deal proved to be its own worst enemy. Not only had the Lions inflamed White, but

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Carter's death leaves big hole in racing ranks

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

The world of top fuel drag racing lost one of its best chiefs Wednesday with the death of Big Spring native Terry "Fuzzy" Carter, a victim of cancer at the age of 41.

A graveside funeral service for Carter was held Friday at Trinity Memorial Park.



CARTER

Born on Aug. 18, 1958, in Big Spring, Carter literally grew up working on automobiles and spent more than 20 years in the auto racing industry.

Carter, who was Eddie "The Thrill" Hill's crew chief for many years helped Hill blaze his way to the 1993 National Hot Rod Association (NHRA) Top Fuel World Championship. Prior to that, he helped Hill win the World Series of Drag Boat Racing in 1984.

Carter's death was clearly a loss to the entire NHRA world.

"Fuzz was obviously invaluable this year, but then he is every year," Hill was quoted as saying following his NHRA top fuel championship win in 1993.

Carter, Hill noted, had total responsibility for the condition of his car and the transportation of the car from NHRA races around the country.

In so doing, Hill said, Carter had his complete trust. "He gets it to run with the best of them ... sometimes better," he added. "Fuzz relieves all of my worries about that. I never worry about the car being prepared."

A 1977 graduate of Big Spring High School, Carter was driving trucks for Midland businessman Gary Martin, one of Hill's sponsors, when he first

See CARTER, page 8A

Bamert, Beauchamp and Carnero named first-team all-district

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

The improvement shown by Big Spring's Steers during the 2000 baseball season not only showed in the team's won-loss record, but in the honors its members reaped when District 5-4A coaches met to select their all-district teams.

Three Steers starters — junior pitcher Clint Bamert, senior first baseman Daniel Beauchamp and senior outfielder Jose Carnero — earned first-team accolades during the all-district balloting, while two more were selected for second-team honors and three others received honorable mention.

District champion San Angelo Lake View dominated the team's individual awards, as Chris Martinez shared the league's Most Valuable Player award with Snyder's Sonny Cumbie, while teammate Matt Owen grabbed a share of the Newcomer of the Year award along with Fort Stockton's Joe Rojaz.

Lake View coach Mario Heredia was

selected by his peers as the district's coach of the year.

Bamert, Beauchamp and Carnero played pivotal roles in the Steers' improvement from a five-win season in 1999 and Big Spring's 16-16 finish that left them one game out of the Class 4A playoffs this year.

Bamert, the Steers' hard-throwing right-handed ace, was joined on the first-team pitching staff by Lake View's Oscar Solis, Fort Stockton's Hector Natividad and the Andrews duo of Brock Johns and Stephen Lopez.

In addition to Carnero, the first-team outfield included Snyder's Matthew Grimmett and Brian Gordon, Lake View's David Lankford, Andrews' Tyson Dever and Sweetwater's Anthony DeLaCruz.

Beauchamp shared the first-team spot at first base with Snyder senior Adam Black.

Three catchers — Snyder's Ralph Ramon, Lake View's Michael Gonzales and Sweetwater's Zach Newberry — shared the first-team receiver's position. The remainder of the first-team infield

included Sweetwater second baseman Lance Bishop; shortstops Josh Ward of Snyder and Bryan Holt of Andrews; and third basemen John Ortega of Snyder and Lee Morrison of Lake View.

Snyder's Jessie Haines was selected as the first team's designated hitter, while Lake View's Jenaro Rodriguez and Sweetwater's Rusty Rainbolt were picked as utility players.

Big Spring's second-team selections were senior shortstop James Clements and junior outfielder Jason Choate, while the Steers honorable mention picks were senior third baseman Jay Kuykendall, senior outfielder and pitcher Ricky Solis and junior catcher Ricky Yanez.

Other second-team selections made by the coaches included Andrews catcher Adrian DeLaCruz; first basemen Warren Day of Lake View and Robert Bolding of Andrews; Sweetwater second baseman John Michael Soto; Andrews third baseman Simon DeLaCruz; and outfielders Colin Jones of Lake View, Cliffe Forbes of Sweetwater and Brady Haygood of Andrews.

DISTRICT 5-4A

All-District Baseball Team
SUPERLATIVES
Most Valuable Player: Chris Martinez, Sr., Lake View; Sonny Cumbie, Sr., Snyder.
Newcomer of the Year: Matt Owen, Soph., Lake View; Joe Rojaz, Soph., Fort Stockton.
Coach of the Year: Mario Heredia, Lake View.

FIRST TEAM

Pitchers — Hector Natividad, Jr., Fort Stockton; Clint Bamert, Jr., Big Spring; Oscar Solis, Sr., Lake View; Brock Johns, Soph., Andrews; Steven Lopez, Soph., Andrews.
Catcher — Ralph Ramon, Jr., Snyder; Michael Gonzales, Sr., Lake View; Zach Newberry, Sr., Sweetwater.
First Base — Adam Black, Sr., Snyder; Daniel Beauchamp, Sr., Big Spring.

Second Base — Lance Bishop, Sr., Sweetwater.
Third Base — John Ortega, Sr., Snyder; Lee Morrison, Jr., Lake View.
Designated Hitter — Jessie Haines, Jr., Snyder.
Utility — Jensen Rodriguez, Sr., Lake View; Rusty Rainbolt, Sr., Sweetwater.

Outfielders — Jose Gonzalez, Sr., Big Spring; Matthew Grimmett, Jr., Snyder; Brian Gordon, Sr., Snyder; David Lankford, Jr., Lake View; Tyson Dever, Jr., Andrews; Anthony DeLaCruz, Sr., Sweetwater.

SECOND TEAM

Catcher — Adrian DeLaCruz, Sr., Andrews.
First Base — Warren Day, Soph., Lake View; Robert Bolding, Sr., Andrews.
Second Base — John Michael Soto, Jr., Sweetwater.
Shortstop — James Clements, Sr., Big Spring.
Third Base — Simon DeLaCruz, Jr., Andrews.
Outfielders — Colin Jones, Sr., Lake View; James Choate, Jr., Big Spring; Cliffe Forbes, Sr., Sweetwater; Brady Haygood, Soph., Andrews.

HONORABLE MENTION

(One player each)
Catcher — Ricky Yanez, Jr.
Third Base — Jay Kuykendall, Sr.
Outfielder — Ricky Solis, Sr.

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LOCAL BOWLING RESULTS

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WEEK 24
RESULTS-Slow Starters over No Name 6-2, Big Spring Music split with MGM 4-4, Arrow Refrigeration over Timeless Design 6-2, KC Steakhouse over Our Gang 6-2, BSI over Disfunctional 6-2, Sparkies over Rapid Masonry 6-2, Alley Cats over Loan Stars 6-2, American State Bank (unopposed) 8-0, hi sc team game Big Spring Music 650, American State Bank 610, Rapid Masonry 576, hi sc team series American State Bank 1786, Big Spring Music 1696, Loan Stars 1661, hi hdp team game Big Spring Music 738, Timeless Design 736, Slow Starters 732, hi hdp team series Arrow Refrigeration 2045, American State Bank 2943, Alley Cats 2020, hi sc game men Jerald Burgess 279, DeWayne Woodall 249, Jim Nipp 236, hi sc series men Jerald Burgess 748, Jim Nipp 664, O.D. O'Daniel 629, hi hdp game men DeWayne Woodall 302, Jerald Burgess 297, Walter Little 263, hi hdp series men Jerald Burgess 802, Jim Nipp 742, DeWayne Woodall 710, hi sc game women Joyce Davis 223, Pgt Cypert 211, Kay Hendricks 199, hi sc series women Joyce Davis 581, Kay Hendricks 515, Pettle Hill 478, hi hdp game women Pat Cypert 271, Gerry Hartley 253, Joyce Davis 248, Kay Hendricks 248, hi hdp series women Wanda Beeler 698, Marilyn Woodall 691, Kay Hendricks 682.
STANDINGS-Big Spring Music 187-85, American State Bank 168-104, Disfunctional 160-88, Timeless Design 158-112, KC Steakhouse 157-115, Rapid Masonry 155-115, Sparkies 151-111, Our Gang 136-131, Slow Starters 136-136, No Name 134-138, Loan Stars 130-142, BSI 126-136, Arrow Refrigeration 112-142, MGM 108-164, Alley Cats 106-164.

WEN MAJOR
WEEK 33
RESULTS-Bob Brock Ford over Burgess Automotive 8-6, Trio Fuels over O'Daniel Trucking 8-6, O'Daniel Trucking 2-2, BSI over Parks Agency 6-2, hi sc series Richard Rowden 705, Jackie Lecroy 635, Marcus Phillips 628, hi sc game Richard Rowden 261, Philip Ringener 243, Doug Lecroy 237, hi sc team series Trio Fuels 1022, Collums Restaurant 2785, Bob Brock Ford 2788, hi sc team game Trio Fuels 1022, Collums Restaurant 980, Bob Brock Ford 965, hi hdp series Richard Rowden 741, Jackie Lecroy 683, Jim Galtner 686, Marcus Phillips 686, Ricky Stone 278, Richard Rowden 273, Philip Ringener 263, hi hdp team series Trio Fuels 3291, Bob Brock Ford 3185, Collums Restaurant 3181, hi hdp team game Trio Fuels 1139, BSI 1111, Collums Restaurant 104-108, STANDINGS-Collums Restaurant 164-108, Trio Fuels 162-102, Parks Agency 149-123, O'Daniel Trucking 136-136, Bob Brock Ford 134-130, BSI 127-138, Burgess Automotive 106-166, Mason's Collectables 95-169.

WEN MAJOR
WEEK 34
RESULTS-Collums Restaurant over Parks Agency 6-2, BSI over Trio Fuels 8-0, Burgess Automotive tied O'Daniel Trucking 0-0, hi sc series Richard Rowden 686, O.D. O'Daniel 669, James Rawls 648, hi sc game John Gibson 266, Richard Rowden 265, O'Daniel Trucking 290, O'Daniel Trucking 2916, Trio Fuels 2871, hi sc team game Bob Brock Ford 1036, Trio Fuels 1035, O'Daniel Trucking 1028, hi hdp series O.D. O'Daniel 729, James Rawls 720, Richard Rowden 719, David Elmore 275, hi sc team series O'Daniel Trucking 3342, Bob Brock Ford 3337, Parks Agency 3245, hi hdp team game Bob Brock Ford 1175, O'Daniel Trucking 1170, Trio Fuels 1151.
STANDINGS-Collums Restaurant 166-114, Trio Fuels 162-110, Parks Agency 155-125, O'Daniel Trucking 144-136, Bob Brock Ford 142-130, BSI 130-142, Burgess Automotive 106-174, Mason's Collectables 99-173.

WEN MAJOR
WEEK 35
RESULTS-Trio Fuels over Burgess Automotive 6-2, O'Daniel Trucking over Bob Brock Ford 4-4, Parks Agency over Mason's Collectables 6-4, BSI tied Collums Restaurant 2-2, hi sc series Marcus Phillips 752, Philip Ringener 736, Jerald Burgess 674, hi sc game Marcus Phillips 289, Wendell Payne 276, David Elmore 275, hi sc team series Parks Agency 3047, Collums Restaurant 2986, Trio Fuels 2913, hi sc team game Parks Agency 1075, Mason's Collectables 1066, O'Daniel Trucking 1050, hi sc series Philip Ringener 736, Marcus Phillips 785, Kerry Fryar 784, hi hdp game David Elmore 309, Wendell Payne 307, Marcus Phillips 300, hi hdp team series Parks Agency 3422, Bob Brock Ford 3404, Collums Restaurant 3382, hi hdp team game Mason's Collectables 1252, Bob Brock Ford 1203, Parks Agency 1200.
STANDINGS-Collums Restaurant 172-116, Trio Fuels 168-112, Parks Agency 159-129, Bob Brock Ford 148-132, O'Daniel Trucking 145-142, BSI 132-148, Burgess Automotive 108-180, Mason's Collectables 103-177.

PINPOPPERS
WEEK 35
RESULTS-Dixie Chicks over Guy's Restaurant 6-2, Health Food Store over Rose Barber Shop 8-0, Hair Designs by Randy over Gas "N" Grub 6-2, Bow-Arama over L&M Properties 6-2, Perco Care Center over Kuykendall 6-2, hi sc series Betty Gibson 568, Anna Posey 549, hi sc game Betty Gibson 220, Barbara Cunningham 209, hi sc team series Hair Designs by Randy 2069, Rose Barber Shop 1881, hi sc team game Hair Designs by Randy 730, L&M Properties 648, hi hdp series Betty Gibson 675, Patricia Zant 661, hi hdp game Betty Gibson 256, Patricia Zant 255, hi hdp team series Hair Designs by Randy 2489, Bow-Arama 2424, hi hdp team game Hair Designs by Randy 870, L&M Properties 855.
STANDINGS-Rose Barber Shop 165-115, Hair Designs by Randy 158-122, Guy's Restaurant 149-131, Gas "N" Grub 146-134, Perco Care Center 140-140, Bow-Arama 135-145, Health Food Store 132-145, Kuykendall 131-149, L&M Properties 126-154, Dixie Chicks 118-162.

SUMMER PIN POPPERS
WEEK 1
RESULTS-Team 1 over Team 2 6-2, Lou-Lou

over Team 4 8-0, Lady Bugs tied Team 6 4-4, Team 8 over Team 7 6-2, B&J over Team 5 2-2, Team 11 tied Rather One 4-4, hi sc series Barbara Cunningham 507, George Tarver 497, hi sc game George Tarver 189, Barbara Cunningham 185, hi sc team series Lou-Lou 345, Lady Bugs 344, hi sc team game Team 11 345, Lou-Lou 341, hi hdp series George Tarver 581, Barbara Cunningham 579, hi hdp game Charlene Cook 226, Betty Gibson 220, hi hdp team series Lou-Lou 1283, B&J 1200, hi hdp team Lighthouse 1145, Lou-Lou 447.
STANDINGS-Lou-Lou 8-0, B&J 6-2, Team 8 6-2, Team 1 6-2, Team 4 4-4, Rather one 4-4, Lady Bugs 4-4, Team 11 4-4, Team 2 2-6, Team 10 2-6, Team 7 2-6, Team 4 0-8.

VA COUPLES
WEEK 32
RESULTS-Eight over Winners 6-2, Untouchable Dogs over Misfits 6-2, Betty's Bandits over Fourteen 8-0, BSI over Choke-a-holics 8-0, The Dreamers over NFS 8-0, Hoot Owls over Sex Pistols 6-2, Three over Do's and Don'ts 8-0, Lighthouse over Thirteen 6-2, Undecided over Hardison 6-2, hi sc team series The Dreamers 2113, Untouchable Dogs 2056, Eight 2023, hi sc team game Untouchable Dogs 732, The Dreamers 713, Eight 693, hi sc series men James Rawls 613, Jerald Burgess 601, Ron Cooney 596, hi sc game men James Rawls 287, Jerald Burgess 235, Abe Yanez 222, hi sc series women Denise Richard 611, Carolyn Cooney 530, Bethany Everett 527, hi sc game women Denise Richard 223, Bethany Everett 207, Carolyn Cooney 204, hi hdp team series The Dreamers 2725, Undecided 2687, Betty's Bandits 2673, hi hdp team game Untouchable Dogs 920, The Dreamers 917, Three 911, hi hdp series men Ron Cooney 725, James Rawls 724, Bobby Cordova 704, hi hdp game men James Rawls 324, Adrian Zarate 266, Jerald Burgess 259, hi hdp series women Denise Richard 791, Janice Creef 732, Carolyn Cooney 716, hi hdp game women Denise Richard 283, Carolyn Cooney 266, Bethany Everett 264.
STANDINGS-Eight 153-103, NFS 152-104, BSI 145-111, The Dreamers 144-112, Choke-a-holics 143-113, Three 142-114, Hoot Owls 140-116, Lighthouse 132-124, Winners 127-129, Do's and Don'ts 126-130, Untouchable Dogs 126-130, Betty's Bandits 124-132, Fourteen 124-132, Undecided 118-138, Thirteen 115-141, Misfits 110-146, Sex Pistols 109-147, Hardison 74-182.

WEDNESDAY STRIKERS
WEEK 33
RESULTS-Monistat 5 over Eye Ball Records 8-0, Allans Furniture over Looney Tunes 8-0, SWCID over Scatch 6-2, Metal Mart over Plumbing 8-0, Spades Tied Devils 8-0, hi sc series Aaron Bogard 628, Jackie Lecroy 615, Jose Cruz 613, hi sc game Joey Gutierrez 234, Aaron Bogard 228, Simon Saldana 223, hi sc team series Spades 2585, Allans Furniture 2554, Metal Mart 2511, hi sc team game Spades 928, Scatch 905, Metal Mart 884, hi hdp series Jose Cruz 685, Robert Fierro 672, Allan Johnson 666, hi hdp game Joey Gutierrez 249, Jose Cruz 245, Mike Fryar 246, hi sc team series Allans Furniture 3037, Metal Mart 2952, Spades 2900, hi hdp team game Allans Furniture 1038, Spades 1033, Metal Mart 1031.
STANDINGS-Metal Mart 182-82, Spades 172-92, Dust Devils 162-102, Scatch 148-116, Allans Furniture 148-116, Looney Tunes 138-128, Monistat 5 124-140, SWCID 108-156, Eye Ball Records 86-178, Dyer Plumbing 44-60.

WEDNESDAY STRIKERS
WEEK 34
RESULTS-Scatch over Dyer Plumbing 8-0, Spades tied SWCID 4-4, Dust Devils over Looney Tunes 4-2, Monistat 5 tied Allans Furniture 4-4, Metal Mart over Eye Ball Records 8-0, hi sc series Jose Cruz 647, Jackie Lecroy 645, Tom Cruz 645, hi sc game Jose Cruz 268, Jackie Lecroy 248, Rafael Frausto 246, hi sc team series Scatch 2879, Dust Devils 2804, Spades 2704, hi sc team game Spades 1093, Scatch 999, Dust Devils 980, hi hdp series Jose Cruz 716, Weidon L. Walker 694, Joe Murray 668, hi hdp game Jose Cruz 267, Rafael Frausto 267, Francisco Hernandez 267, hi hdp team series Scatch 3179, Metal Mart 3111, Allans Furniture 3032, hi hdp team game Allans Furniture 1133, Spades 1130, Scatch 1095.
STANDINGS-Metal Mart 190-82, Spades 176-96, Dust Devils 168-104, Scatch 156-116, Allans Furniture 152-120, Looney Tunes 138-134, Monistat 5 128-144, SWCID 112-160, Eye Ball Records 86-186, Dyer Plumbing 44-68.

VA COUPLES
WEEK 33
RESULTS-NFS over Thirteen 6-2, Hoot Owls over Hardison 8-0, Choke-a-holics over Do's and Don'ts 6-2, Fourteen over Lighthouse 8-0, Winners over Undecided 6-2, Untouchable Dogs over Three 8-0, Eight over The Dreamers 6-2, Misfits over Sex Pistols 6-2, Betty's Bandits over BSI 6-2, hi sc team series Eight 2063, Betty's Bandits 2059, Untouchable Dogs 2039, hi sc team game Betty's Bandits 779, Untouchable Dogs 748, Eight 714, hi sc series men Jerald Burgess 694, James Rawls 624, John Jackson 616, hi sc game men Jerald Burgess 279, James Rawls 235, Abe Yanez 214, hi sc series women Maria Escobar 530, Bethany Everett 522, Irene Jackson 507, hi sc game women Bethany Everett 214, Irene Yanez 190, Maria Escobar 190, hi hdp team series Untouchable Dogs 2741, Hoot Owls 2736, Winners 2707, hi hdp team game Betty's Bandits 982, Untouchable Dogs 982, Hoot Owls 945, hi hdp series men Jerald Burgess 766, Stacey Wells 749, James Rawls 732, hi hdp game men Jerald Burgess 303, James Rawls 271, Stacey Wells 258, hi hdp series women Tina Rawls 728, Maria Escobar 701, Bethany Everett 690, hi hdp game women Bethany Everett 270, Tina Rawls 267, Irene Yanez 254.
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Rangers edge Mussina, slumping Orioles

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Esteban Loaiza pitched seven strong innings and the Texas Rangers beat Mike Mussina and the slumping Baltimore Orioles 2-1 Saturday night for their fifth straight victory.
Chad Curtis hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the sixth, and Loaiza and the Texas bullpen made it stand up.
The Rangers have won eight of 10. Baltimore has lost 14 of 16.
Loaiza (2-2) allowed one run and six hits before walking Brady Anderson leading off the eighth. Mike Venafro relieved and finished the inning.
John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his ninth save and 305th of his career, moving him past Jeff Montgomery into sole possession of ninth place overall.

Mussina (1-6), off to the worst start of his career, retired the first 10 batters before Curtis lined a single up the middle in the fourth.
Mussina allowed six hits, struck out four and didn't issue a walk in his second complete game of the season.
Jason McDonald led off the Texas sixth with a double and Luis Alicea sent him to third with a bunt single. Curtis hit a fly ball to shallow right field, and the speedy McDonald beat Albert Belle's throw to the plate standing up.
Rafael Palmeiro hit his 11th home run in the fifth for the Rangers.

The Orioles took a 1-0 lead in the fourth on Cal Ripken's single, giving him 1,596 career RBIs. He had been tied with George Brett, Mike Schmidt and Harold Baines for 22nd place on the career list.
Ricks 5, Cubs 3
Ron Villone won his fourth straight start and the Cincinnati Reds, helped when a Cubs pinch-runner held up to see whether Ken Griffey Jr. would make a great catch, beat Chicago 5-3 Saturday.
Villone (6-1), staked to a quick five-run lead, took a shutout into the seventh inning. The Cubs then loaded the bases with no outs on three straight singles.

Ricky Gutierrez followed with a drive to center field off the ivy-covered wall, but it turned into just a long RBI single. That's because pinch-runner Julio Zuleta, who was on second base, slowed up to watch whether Griffey would make an over-the-shoulder catch and only reached third.
Reliever Scott Williamson replaced Villone and gave up an RBI grounder to Dave Martinez and a sacrifice fly to Sammy Sosa that made it 5-3. Glenallen Hill struck out to end the inning.
The Cubs put runners on first and second in the ninth before Sosa grounded out to end the game. Danny Graves pitched the ninth for his seventh save in seven chances.
For a second straight game, the Griffey-Sosa matchup produced no homers from two of the game's premier long ball hitters. Griffey walked twice and had an RBI single, going 1-for-2, while Sosa was 0-for-4 with his sacrifice fly.
The Reds jumped on Jon Lieber (4-3) for five runs in the first two innings. He allowed

six hits and five runs over seven innings.

Indians 3, Yankees 2
Jeff Nelson walked four batters in the ninth inning, forcing home the winning run with a two-out pass to Roberto Alomar as the Cleveland Indians finally beat New York, rallying for a 3-2 win Saturday over the Yankees.
Pinch-runner Jolbert Cabrera scored the winning run when Nelson (6-1) lost his control in the ninth, throwing 12 balls among his final 14 pitches, including a wild pitch.
Richie Sexson homered in the seventh for the Indians, who came back from a 2-0 deficit to snap a four-game losing streak to New York this season.
Cleveland had lost straight against New York at Jacobs Field, and even with the win, the Indians are just 10-25 against the Yankees at the park.
Enrique Wilson, who scored the tying run in the seventh on Kenny Lofton's sacrifice fly, drew a one-out walk in the ninth against Nelson, whose last loss came on April 17 of last season.
Lofton then walked on four pitches with two outs, and Cabrera ran for Wilson. Nelson's wild pitch put the runners at second and third and Omar Vizquel also walked on four pitches as Nelson couldn't find the plate.
Nelson got ahead of Alomar 1-2 before throwing three straight balls, the final one high and tight that just missed hitting Alomar. It was the first run allowed by Nelson in 13 appearances over his last 14 1-3 innings this year.
Paul Shuey (3-1) struck out two in the ninth for the win.

Tigers 2, Red Sox 1
Juan Gonzalez hit a tiebreaking homer in the sixth inning and the Detroit Tigers managed to get past the Boston Red Sox 2-1 Saturday.
Boston had beaten the Tigers in five of six games this year, pitching shutouts in three of them. The Red Sox defeated Detroit 3-0 Friday night.
Gonzalez, the first batter reliever Tim Wakefield (1-3) faced, hit his eighth homer. The shot cleared the screen above the left-field wall.
Dave Mlicki (2-5) posted his second win after dropping his first five starts. He gave up one run and three hits in 5 1-3 innings.
Todd Jones, Detroit's fifth pitcher, worked the ninth for his 11th save in 12 chances. The Red Sox used six pitchers.
Gonzalez also doubled as Detroit stopped a three-game losing streak. Boston lost for the third time in 13 games.

White Sox 6, Blue Jays 2
James Baldwin pitched a complete-game seven-hitter for his eighth straight victory as the Chicago White Sox beat the Toronto Blue Jays 6-2 on Saturday.
Craig Wilson went 3-for-4 with

three runs scored and Frank Thomas was 3-for-3 for the White Sox, who have won five of six.

Baldwin (7-0), who won his final decision last season, is tied for the major league lead in victories. He's won 15 of his last 17 decisions.
The right-hander struck out three and walked none — he went to three balls on just two batters — for his second complete game of the season.
Shannon Stewart spoiled Baldwin's shutout bid with a homer in the eighth, and Carlos Delgado added another solo shot leading off the ninth.
Toronto's David Wells, pitching on his 37th birthday, allowed six runs on 10 hits in 3 1-3 innings. Wells (7-2) entered the game with a birthday record of 3-0 and a 1.01 ERA.
The Blue Jays have lost three straight.

Twins 3, Athletics 0
Eric Milton pitched three-hit ball for eight innings and the Minnesota Twins beat the Oakland Athletics 3-0 Saturday for their third straight victory.
Minnesota's Brian Buchanan had three hits in his second major league game.
Denny Hocking went 3-for-3 with a double.
Milton (3-1) struck out seven and walked two. Eddie Guardado finished with a perfect ninth for his second save.
Mark Mulder (2-1) lost for the first time in seven career starts after allowing three runs — one earned — on seven hits in seven innings.
The Twins scored three times in the second inning, helped by Mulder's wild throw.
Matt LeCroy doubled home the first run and Jay Canizaro hit one-out comebacker. Mulder trapped LeCroy between second and third, but made a wild throw that let a run score and Canizaro advance to third.

Mets 8, Diamondbacks 7
Mike Hampton made the wait worthwhile for the few Mets fans who stuck around Shea Stadium through a 3-hour, 31-minute rain delay.
Unaffected by the later start, Hampton pitched six scoreless innings and hit a two-run single as the New York Mets held off the Arizona Diamondbacks 8-7 Saturday.

Arizona rallied for five runs in the ninth, capped by Kelly Stinnett's two-out, two-run single off John Franco. Armando Benitez relieved with runners at first and second and struck out pinch-hitter Erubiel Durazo for his 11th save.
The Diamondbacks committed four errors.
Hampton (5-4) allowed four hits and one walk Saturday before leaving with tightness in his upper back.
After the lengthy rain delay before the start of the game, fewer than 10,000 fans were left from the paid crowd of 37,121. Hampton came out firing strikes — something he had trouble doing early this season — throwing 13 straight to start the game.

Devil Rays 4, Mariners 3
Rickey Henderson hit a home run in his first at-bat for Seattle, but the Tampa Bay Devil Rays stopped their six-game losing streak Saturday with a fight-interrupted, 4-3 win over the Mariners.
Henderson, who made his Mariners debut as a pinch-runner the previous night, hit his major league-record 76th leadoff home run. Signed Wednesday night after being released by the Mets, he went 1-for-3 with two walks.
Seattle trailed 4-2 in the seventh when Mark McLemore charged the mound and tackled Tampa Bay starter Esteban Yan (2-1) after an inside pitch. Plate umpire Bill Welke called time as Yan was delivering, which might have thrown off the pitch. McLemore was unaware that time was called.
Players from both benches and dugouts emptied onto the field and there was about a five-minute melee at the mound. Yan and McLemore were ejected, as was Mariners reliever Arthur Rhodes. The skirmish interrupted play for about 15 minutes.
In the eighth, players came back on the field when Mike DiFelice of Tampa Bay squared to bunt and Jose Paniagua's pitch was inside. DiFelice fouled it off and first base coach Jose Cardenal ran in to stop DiFelice from going to the mound.

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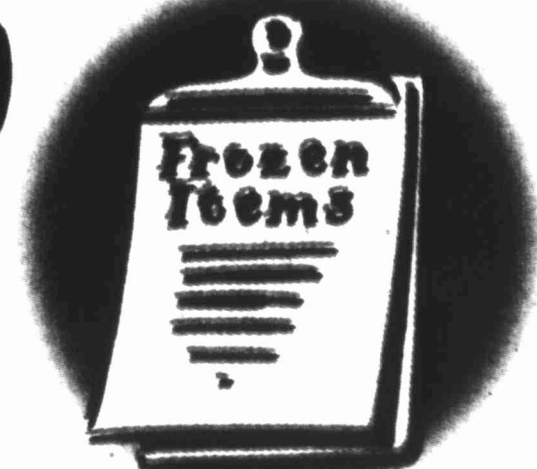
1 Cool it.
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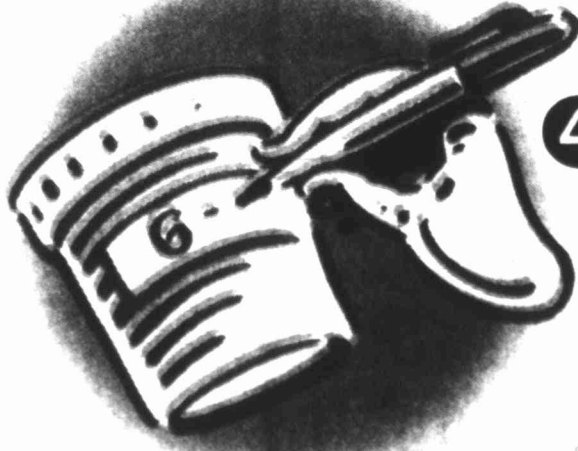
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Storing foods promptly and safely is the easy part of eating well and staying healthy. Look for more Good Rules for Good Eating and enjoy good health.



Go home a hero.

Neighbors can provide lessons for children

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QUICK TRIVIA

◆ Santa Claus is a contraction of St. Nicholas, a third century bishop who was famous for giving unexpected gifts.

◆ Many homes in the American colonies were built with bricks that had been used as ballast in the holds of ships arriving from Europe.

Got an item?

Do you have a story idea for the *life!* section? Call 263-7331. Ext. 236.

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Big Spring Herald

Sunday, May 21, 2000

Neighbors can provide lessons for children

Kids learn a lot of things growing up—sometimes from their parents, sometimes from the neighbors. I learned a lesson from Sam Sprague who farmed the land adjoining our place.

Sam had a beautiful tenor voice, and he was a star in the choir of the small church we attended. But he had a problem. Through the week, he could be heard out in the fields cursing the team of horses he was using.

He was reported to be mean to his farm animals. I don't know about that, but I do know about the swearing. His profanity frequently drifted down the valley. It really did not create a good impression.

So, from Sam, I learned that if you're going to glorify the Lord with our voice on Sunday morning, you shouldn't swear at your horses on Monday. At least, not if your voice carries.

We had another set of neighbors that I learned from. Mrs. McIntyre was a dear lady of Scottish descent. I liked to visit her because she would often give me a cup of tea, very strong with lots of sugar.

She and her husband retired and built a house next to the farm home of their daughter, Mabel, and her husband, John. Mabel was nice, too. We didn't have a telephone, and she would let me listen in on the party line at her house.

Mabel and John had two sons. The younger one, Donald, was my hero. A very polite boy, he was a few years older than me. Unfortunately, he died. Some type of infection that today might have been cured with antibiotics.

The funeral was at their home. I remember the curved glass that had been placed over his body in the coffin. A funeral director has told me that sometimes this was done in the past because of fear of the infection.

We sat on folding chairs out in the yard and listen to the preacher. Then we sang hymns; one of them was "God Will Take Care of You." For me, with my early tendency to ask questions, it was not the most satisfactory selection.

It was after Donald's death that the fight started. I really don't know what it was all about, but Mabel and her sister, Laverne, had a serious disagreement that involved their parents. My mother remained friends with all concerned, and I frequently heard the phrase, "deed to the land," spoken on their visits.

The quarrel intensified, and Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre moved their new house to some land in a section across the road.

It was a dusty day in early spring. Getting the house across the creek was pretty tricky because they could not use the highway bridge and tie up traffic.

They had to move the house across our farm to a county road and then cross on a little-used bridge.

Mable never spoke to her sister or her parents again. The estrangement was so complete that when her parents died—a day apart—and Mabel attended the joint funeral, no member of the family spoke to her.

When John died, Mabel had his body shipped from his native Nebraska to Idaho where their son, a preacher, lived. She also had Donald's remains reburied there. Then she moved to Idaho to live.

So the sad little drama ended. Mabel and her sister are gone now. Someone else lives on the land they fought about so bitterly.

There are few things in life worth getting that mad about.

Jean Warren writes a monthly column for the Herald.



JEAN WARREN

RELAY FOR LIFE REVISITED



A look back at some of the people who helped make this year's community campout fundraiser a huge success in the battle against cancer



Relay for Life was Friday and Saturday, May 12-13. Above, Leslie Jansa, Ryan Batia, Jason Wilde and Lynette Jansa were part of the Hula Honeys team; far left, walkers approach a luminaria inscribed in honor of a cancer survivor as they circle the track early Friday evening; at left, Kirk Kiser, store director for H-E-B gives a \$5,000 sponsorship check to, from left, Relay volunteers JoAnne Forrest, Wanda Driver and Sandra Logback.



At left, co-chairs Diane Wood and Lucy Clinton take a short break as the event was winding down Saturday, May 13 after 1 p.m.; above, Caitlyn Perkins, left, and Abby Bailey "Hula for the Moola" for Tawanna's Troopers; above, right, Bonnie Miller, captain of the Covenant Malone & Hogan team, wears a crazy hat that fit the party atmosphere as the event got underway.



Photos by Gina Garza and Debbie L. Jensen



At left, Jonathan Purcell, Jana Phillips, Tim Ballard and Tyler Phillips place a display about cancer prevention at a booth during the event; above, left, Gabby Deanda, left, sits with Debbye Valverde as they watch the opening ceremonies; above, right, Shelly Warren, left, Aaron Warren, Matthew Warren, Carey Warren, and Samuel Warren walk for Marcie's Angels.



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WEDDINGS

Belew-Joy

Honey N. Belew and Jeremy A. Joy exchanged wedding vows on May 13, 2000, at Trinity Baptist Church with Gary Phillips and the Rev. Randy Cotton officiating.

She is the daughter of Don and Roxy Belew of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Carrie Belew of Big Spring.

He is the son of Phoebe and Weldon Trammell and Frank and Sheryl Joy, all of Big Spring.

Vocalist was Clayton Pate. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a gown from the Sean Collection with a beaded pearl floral bodice, tank style top, with three floral beaded panels hung from satin roses. She carried a bouquet of Gerber daisies in the colors of hot pink, yellow, white and orange.

The Matron of honor was Kristie Morrison, sister of the bride. Brandie Sizenbach, sister of the bride, and Emilee Trammell, sister of the groom, were bridesmaids.

Calylee Morrison, niece of the bride, served as flower girl and ringbearer was Caleb Morrison, nephew of the bride.

Justin Joy served as best man. Groomsmen were Michael Sizenbach and Richard Thompson.



MR. AND MRS. JEREMY JOY

A reception followed the ceremony.

The wedding cake was a retro Swiss dot white cascade cake topped with fresh flowers.

The groom's cake was a cheesecake.

The bride is a 1998 Big Spring High School graduate and a 2000 graduate of Howard College.

The groom is a 1995 Big Spring High School graduate and is presently employed by the U.S. Army.

After a wedding trip to Europe, the couple will make their home in Germany.

Emert-Coates

Becca Emert and Rocky Coates, both of San Angelo, were united in marriage on May 20, 2000, at the Baptist church in Robert Lee with Frank Daniels, minister of Southside Church of Christ in Robert Lee, officiating.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tad Emert of Robert Lee.

He is the son of R.L. and Linda Coates of Coahoma and the grandson of E.A. and Lucille Richters of Coahoma.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white duchess satin gown with a sleeveless modified scoop neckline that met a wide band at the waist and was embroidered with crystals, seed pearls, and bugle beads.

She carried a cascading bouquet of silk flowers in shades of purple and white with baby's breath and trimmed in white satin.

Matron of honor was Carrie Powers, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Jessica Key, Holly Hatley and Stephanie Powers.

Jason Richters served as best man. Groomsmen were Eli Boxell, and Matt and Dale Coates, brothers of the groom.

Ushers were Jason Powers, brother-in-law of the bride, Wade Banister, Ricky Richters, cousin of the groom, and Cade Park.

After the ceremony, a dance and reception were held at the bride's family ranch in Robert Lee.



MRS. ROCKY COATES

The wedding cake was a four-tiered strawberry cake with buttercream frosting decorated in basket-weave design. Each tier was decorated in a spiral array of purple and white silk flowers with greenery. The groom's cake was an Italian Cream Cake.

The bride is a 1998 graduate of Robert Lee High School and currently a student at Angelo State University. She is employed at San Angelo Independent School District.

The groom is a 1997 graduate of Robert Lee High School and is currently a student of San Angelo State University. He is presently employed at San Angelo Independent School District.

After a wedding cruise to the Bahamas, the couple will make their home in San Angelo.

HUMANE SOCIETY



Pictured is Lillybell — DSH grey female Tabby, 2 years old plus.

Special Note: All dogs and cats presently available for adoption at the shelter have received their vaccinations, including rabies.

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male bobtail, neutered, 8 months old.

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Friskie — DSH grey and white Tabby, 2 years old.

Tom — DSH, solid black fuzzy male kitten, 10 weeks old.

Felix — DSH, black and white male kitten, 10 weeks old.

Blackjack — DSH, solid black male kitten, 10 weeks old.

Blackberry — DSH, solid black male kitten, 10 weeks old.

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STORK CLUB

Isabella Marie Vincent, girl, March 30, 2000, 4:06 p.m., seven pounds, seven and 1/4 ounces, and 20 1/2 inches long, parents are Stephanie and Grover Vincent.

Grandparents are Rachel and Michael Copeland of Big Spring, the late Rudy Rodriguez, and the late Grover Vincent and Cynthia Vincent, both of Poland, Ind.

Sunday announcements are due at our office by Wednesday at noon for publication in the life! section.

Mills-Shaw

Becky Mills and Randy Shaw, both of Big Spring, were united in marriage on April 15, 2000, at First Church of God with the Rev. Darrell Hendrickson officiating.

She is the daughter of James and Andrea Mills of Big Spring and the granddaughter of James and Novie Mills and Pallie Riffey, all of Big Spring.

He is the son of Robert and Janet Shaw of Odessa and Blenda and Ken Riley of Big Spring and the grandson of late Lonnie and Ruth Feaster.

Instrumentalist/vocalist Sherrean Jones.

Given away by her brother, James Mills Jr., the bride wore a white full length V-neck gown with pearls on the bodice and in full length on the arms, with a seven foot pearl train. She carried a teardrop shaped bouquet with teal and purple and white roses accented with ivy, Baby's Breath and long streamers.

Matron of honor was Tonya Feaster. Leslie Hicks and Carolyn Mills were bridesmaids.

Paige Shaw served as the flower girl and Trevor Shaw was the ringbearer.

Steven Mills served as best man. Jason Birdwell and Craig Bronaugh were groomsmen.

James Mims III, Jeremy Mills and Trevor Shaw were ushers/candlelighters.

Deanna Mills served as train



MR. AND MRS. RANDY SHAW

bearer. After the wedding, a reception was held at the fair grounds.

The three-tiered wedding cake was placed over champagne fountains, and sidecakes were decorated with purple and teal rosettes.

The groom's cake was a chocolate horseshoe cake.

The bride is a 1984 graduate of Big Spring High School and currently is employed at Neighbors Convenience Store.

The groom is a 1990 graduate of Odessa High School and works for Cornell Corrections.

The couple has made their home in Big Spring and plans to take a delayed wedding trip in June.

'Denim and Diamonds' huge success

Big Spring State Hospital's 14th Annual Denim and Diamonds Fiesta fund-raiser on May 5 was another huge success. I want to give a big thanks to all the volunteers, donors, guests, hosts and workers who helped with the evening. The setting in the courtyard of La Posada's restaurant was the perfect backdrop for the reception.

The Familia Ramirez Mariachi Band of Odessa helped give an atmosphere reminiscent of Old Mexico on Mexican Independence Day. Miniature tacos, heaping bowls of guacamole, cheese dip and enchiladas were enjoyed by all.

I can't say enough about the work of Don Newsom and his slew of volunteers, who catered the delicious meal. Newsom, along with Troyce G. Wolf and Honorary Project Chairpersons Stan and Sue Partee should be commended for assisting with such a wonderful evening.

Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys provided an evening full of dancing and entertainment at The Stampede. Jody always has been so generous with his time for us and we appreciate him so much.

The volunteers who helped by preparing food, serving drinks and assisting with our guests were wonderful.

We raised nearly \$8,000 that will be used to assist patients at Big Spring State Hospital with the little extras. One of our most successful and enjoyable events we raise money for is Summer Fun Day.

This year we will hold Patient Fun Day in the Activities Therapy Department gymnasium and pass out T-shirts, visors and caps to the

patients. Everyone loves receiving a new T-shirt and caps. We also serve soft drinks and snacks to all the patients during the afternoon.

If anyone would like to help with Summer Fun Day, please call the Community Relations Department at 267-7535.

Big Spring State Hospital had 15 employees participate in last week's American Cancer Society's Relay for Life fundraiser. The group - Carolyn's Walkers - raised \$1,100.

Carolyn Lee Moore is a former employee who was a long-time therapist in the Activities Therapy Department. She has been diagnosed with cancer and is recovering in a Midland hospital.

Those participating in the group were Rick Foster, Linda Billington, Leticia Gutierrez, John Pichitino, Sherry Darden, Kim Jumper, Sue Marquez, Betsy Land, Tammy Garrison, Cheryl Parrish, David Osterhout, Carla Hughes, Ken Moore, Maria Brito and Billie Russworm.

Several employees also teamed with people in the community to raise money for Relay for Life. Acute Psychiatric Services Nurse Manager Martha Long's team held the "First Annual Relay for Life Bowling Tournament" on May 6 at the Big Spring Bowl-A-Rama. About 60 Big

Spring State Hospital employees participated in the event that raised \$600 for Long's Memory Makers team.

Employees Long, Pam White, Shirley Davis, Jenna Avant, Rita Powell, Alice Davis and Paul Aguilar coordinated the afternoon of fun. Aguilar also was instrumental in generating \$575 in a barbecue plate dinner last month.

The Community Relations Department needs cookies from organizations, church groups and interested volunteers. We try to distribute cookies to each unit for their use in activities, and find our need grows during the summer months. If you can help, please call us at the office.

Kathy Johnson is Director of Community Development at Big Spring State Hospital.



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Laura Contreras will be in charge on May 21. Evangel Temple Socorro Rios officiating.

She is the daughter of Osvaldo Contreras and the late Contreras.

He is the son of Rutherford of Big Spring and the grandson of Helen Sanchez of Big Spring.



Susan Anita Wesley Don E. Wesley will be exchanging wedding vows on Aug. 26, 2000, at Methodist Church.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Jackie Snyder, and the daughter of Flora A. Noyes of Big Spring and L.T. Forsan.

He is the son of Jimmy Don Evers.



Melanie Elis John David Law will be exchanging wedding vows on Aug. 26, 2000, at East Fourth Baptist Church.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Roma Farmington, N.M. He is the son of Bobby Lawder of Big Spring.



Rita Isabel Travis Allen Gray will be exchanging wedding vows on Sep. 10, 2000, at Immaculate Conception Church with Coleman officiating.

She is the daughter of Mrs. Casillas of Big Spring. He is the grandson of Gray Sr. and the late Gray.

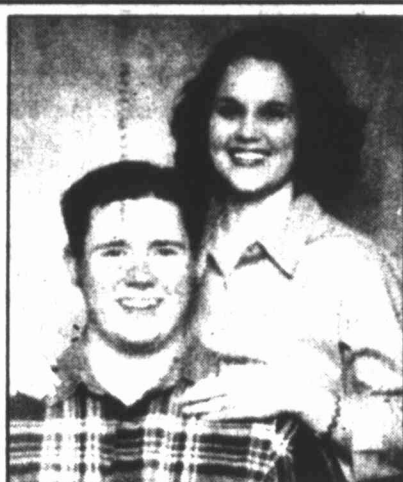
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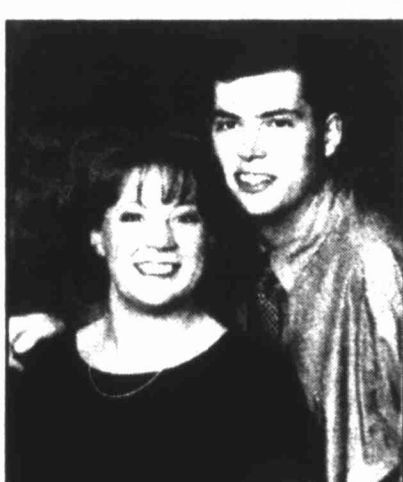
Laura Contreras and Jason Starr will be united in marriage on May 27, 2000, at Evangel Templo with the Rev. Socorra Rios officiating. She is the daughter of Osvaldo Contreras of Big Spring and the late Magdalena Contreras. He is the son of Yolanda Rutherford of Big Spring and the grandson of John and Helen Sanchez of Big Spring.



Amanda Hale of San Angelo and Daniel Makowsky of Big Spring will be united in marriage on June 17, 2000, at First United Methodist Church in Garden City. She is the daughter of Marlon and Becky Hale of Big Spring. He is the son of Terry Makowsky of Big Spring and Donna Makowsky of Lamesa.



Susan Anita Shoults and Wesley Don Everett will exchange wedding vows on Aug. 26, 2000, at First United Methodist Church in Snyder. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie T. Shoults of Snyder, and the granddaughter of Flora A. Nobles of Big Spring and L.T. Shoults of Forsan. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Don Everett of Snyder.



Katie Soehnge of Teague and Cole Walker of Big Spring will exchange wedding vows on July 22, 2000, at Teague Church of Christ. She is the daughter of Randy and Gloria Barger of Teague. He is the son of Royce and Linda Walker of Big Spring and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Walker and Louise Leonard.



Melanie Elise Crouch and John David Lawdermilk, both of Big Spring, will exchange wedding vows on July 1, 2000, at East Fourth Baptist Church. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Crouch of Farmington, N.M. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Lawdermilk of Big Spring.



Gloria Mendez and Everett Blackburn, both of Big Spring, will be united in marriage on June 10, 2000, at St. Thomas Catholic Church with Deacon Horace Yanez officiating. She is the daughter of Horace and Pular Yanez of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Dolores Yanez of Big Spring. He is the son of Gladys Blackburn of Scott City, Kan.



Rita Isabel Casillas and Travis Allen Gray, both of Big Spring, will be united in marriage on Sept. 30, 2000, at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church with the Rev. Chris Coleman officiating. She is the daughter of Anita Casillas of Big Spring. He is the grandson of Travis Gray Sr. and the late Eddie Lou Gray.

ON THE MENU

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER
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TUESDAY-Chicken, rice, squash, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.
WEDNESDAY-Turkey, macaroni & cheese, corn, salad, milk/roll, pie.
THURSDAY-Chicken/tuna sandwich, french fries, onion rings, fruited gelatin, milk/bread, apple crisp.
FRIDAY-Roast, potatoes, spinach, salad, milk/rolls, cake.

ELBOW ELEMENTARY
MONDAY-Corn dog, beans, spinach, cornbread, milk.
TUESDAY-Steak fingers, corn, salad, fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Hamburger/cheese, salad, chips, fruit, milk.

SANDS SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Hamburger, lettuce, tomato, pickles, tater tots, cake, milk.
TUESDAY-Manager's choice, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Manager's choice, milk.

THURSDAY-Manager's choice, milk.

STANTON SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Bean burrito (manager's choice), corn, fruit cup, brownies, milk, fruit drink.
TUESDAY-Steak fingers (manager's choice), mashed potatoes, cream gravy, seasoned vegetables, fruit cup, hot rolls, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Beef taco (manager's choice), pinto beans, seasoned vegetables, fruit cup, cornbread, milk, fruit drink.
THURSDAY-Choice of sandwiches, potato chips, fruit cup, chocolate chip cookies, milk, fruit drink.

FORSAN SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Pizza, corn, salad, cake/fruit, milk.
TUESDAY-Corn dogs, pinto beans, spinach, cornbread, fruit, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Sandwich, salad, chips, ice cream.

COAHOMA SCHOOLS
MONDAY-Hamburgers, fries, tomato, lettuce, pickles, pears, milk.
TUESDAY-Pizza, salad, apples, milk.
WEDNESDAY-Hot pockets, chips, pickle spears, oranges, milk.

IN THE MILITARY



BOYD

Big Spring resident, Keith Boyd II, recently took part in the largest naval mine exercise in the world. Boyd is a Senior Technician and Petty Officer Second Class in the United States Navy, stationed aboard the mine countermeasure ship USS Ardent (MCM 12). The Ardent is currently forward deployed to Bahrain in the Arabian Gulf. Boyd is a 1995 graduate of Coahoma High School and is the son of Keith and Wendy Boyd of Big Spring. Sailors aboard the Ardent participated in Arabian Gauntlet 2000, a mine countermeasure exercise involving ships, aircraft and submarines from nine countries including Great Britain, Belgium, the Netherlands, Germany and Middle East nations.

NEWCOMERS

New residents of Big Spring welcomed recently by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service include: Noe and Norma Alavarado, daughters, Nol and Bethany, sons, Noe Jr. and Joe, Midland. He is a truck driver for Dave's Testing Tubing. Ben Bullard, brother, Roy, mother, Mary Wilson, Coleman. He is retired. Shorty Quartz, Madill, Okla. He is currently employed as a Line Foreman for Solitaire Homes. Christa Tell, Mannsville, Okla. She is currently employed as a Line Foreman for Solitaire Homes. Rene Chapa, Mannsville, Okla. She is currently employed as a Line Foreman for Solitaire Homes. Carole Martinez, Waurika, Okla. She is the Quality Control Manager for Solitaire Homes. David and Keeley Krull, Caddo. He is the Safety Director of Solitaire Homes.

WHO'S WHO

Local twirler Brooke Reed won the title of Miss Majorette of the Southwest during competition at North Texas State University in Denton in March. This regional competition qualified her to advance to the National Twirling Championships at Notre Dame University in July. She also placed second in modeling and third in solo baton in this competition.



REED

In February, she traveled to Florida and competed in TWIRLMANIA at the Wide World of Sports in Orlando where she finished first in Military Strut and second in solo. While there, she twirled in the Mainstreet Millennium Parade at Disneyworld.

The United States Achievement Academy announced that Laurie Aguilar of Big Spring has been named an All-American Collegiate Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Collegiate Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Collegiate Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school official or other qualified sponsor are accepted.

Aguilar attends Howard College and was nominated by Sharon Hardeman. Aguilar is the daughter of Ester and Luis Bravo of Irvine, Calif.

Texas State Technical College, Sweetwater, held its annual Honors Convocation on

May 5, and Tracey Pounds of Big Spring received the following awards: Outstanding Math Student of the Year, Student Leadership Award, acceptance into Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, and as President of AITP received the plaque for the Outstanding Club of the Year Award. She is on the President's Honor Roll for a 4.0 GPA. Tracey is the wife of Doug Pounds and the mother of Ryan and Rachele Guinn of Big Spring.

Nicole Marie Williams, 16, has been chosen as a State Finalist in the Miss Texas American Jr. Pageant July 9-10, at the Hyatt Regency Reunion, Dallas.

The winner of the pageants will receive a \$1,000 cash award, the official crown and banner, and air transportation to compete in the national pageant at Walt Disney World in Florida. She is the daughter of George and Susan Williams of Big Spring.



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Thousands of American Airlines passengers stranded at D-FW

DALLAS (AP) — Hundreds of weary travelers crowded ticket counters at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport early Saturday and made plans to bed down in waiting areas after stormy weather caused the delay or cancellation of their flights.

"It's absolutely stinking bad," said Mona Mangy of Tulsa, Okla., who was headed to her daughter's graduation at the University of North Carolina.

Mangy said she was supposed to depart Tulsa by 4:20 p.m. on Friday. She actually left at 7 p.m. At midnight, she was stranded at D-FW and likely to be there until daylight.

"Luckily, they planned the graduation on Sunday," she said.

Lori Carns of Houston wasn't as fortunate. It was about 10 hours from the time she was scheduled to leave Houston until she arrived in Dallas late Friday. Her flight was initially delayed because of backups that began a day earlier. Then more storms hit on Friday afternoon.

"I was coming for my niece's graduation, and I completely missed it," she said.

Hundreds of travelers had to spend the night at the airport after thunderstorms forced airlines to divert flights and cancel takeoffs as stormy weather stymied travel for the second consecutive day.

After storms late Thursday, about 1,500 passengers on American Airlines jets were left to fend for themselves at the airport after the carrier filled area hotel rooms with some 900 passengers whose flights had been delayed or canceled due to storms, according to an American spokesman.

The hotel-bound passengers had to pay for their own rooms but were given discounted rates offered to American passengers, according to John Hotard, a spokesman for the Fort Worth-based carrier.

Two other airlines, Delta and United, said Friday they had experienced dozens of delays and cancellations out of D-FW — but neither could say exactly how many passengers were inconvenienced.

"Our meteorologists told us these thunderstorms were coming," said Hotard. "But even with what we had, it was still a disaster occurring as late as it did."

Federal Aviation Administration officials said the airport delays in Texas were compounded by severe weather Thursday in other parts of the nation, including Chicago and New York.

Violent thunderstorms rumbling through Illinois forced the cancellation of 300 flights out of O'Hare and

Midway airports in Chicago, according to the FAA's Doug Murphy, the southwest director of air traffic in Fort Worth.

Other delays were reported at major hubs in New York and across the Northeast.

Jason Jordan, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service, said the storms rolled across the airport grounds around 10 p.m. Thursday.

"By the time these storms reached the Metroplex and D-FW they were producing a lot of lightning and kept it up overnight," Jordan said. "This kind of severe weather starts happening more in the summer time."

Wells Fargo puts final touches on conversion

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

It was a while in coming, but Wells Fargo, formerly Norwest, held its official ribbon cutting on Wednesday.

"We officially converted to Wells Fargo on April 14, but had to delay our ribbon cutting until now due to the new signs not being ready," said Mark Odle, managing officer.

Odle said the conversion means they will be able to do more for their customers than before.

"We now have more services, more products, more value, more locations and more lines of business to offer our customers than nearly any financial services organization in the state," he said.

"And we have what is recognized as the greatest financial services technology and innovation in the world, and the world's greatest community banking approach."

Odle also said the main emphasis of the company is getting the best of both — Wells Fargo and Norwest — and combining them into one.

"The main change is in the teller machines," he said. "We call it teller-vision, or TV for short, and basically all we did was change the hard and software to make it better for the customers."

There is a big change being



Wells Fargo employees held a ribbon cutting Wednesday, with help from the Ambassadors Club. Employees pictured include, from left, Johnny Earp, business banker; Elva Rodriguez, business banking assistant; Jan Duran; Cindy Wilson, personal banker; Mark Odle, managing officer; Joel Del La Garza, consumer banking manager; Scott Nelson, business banking manager; and Carl Smoot, area audit compliance officer.

made with their ATM machines, however.

"Up until now, ATM machines have only been able to dispense cash, but now our machines will be able to do more, such as sell stamps, tickets to events, print out statements and many other things," said Odle.

"Our ATM machines are not yet ready to do these new exciting things, but when they are, it'll be interesting to see what happens."

Wells Fargo originally began in 1852 when Henry Wells and William Fargo founded Wells Fargo & Company to provide banking and express service to

Western pioneers.

"We still put the emphasis on customer service," he said. "We want it to be strong and have good quality services to provide to our customers."

Odle added that there are expert people to help in any area of banking to help anyone no matter what their needs are.

West Texas Deer Study Group to meet June 3-4

ALBANY — The second annual meeting of the West Texas Deer Study Group is set for June 3-4 in Albany's Aztec Theater. The group is a gathering of people interested in fostering proper deer management. The meeting, which is open to the public, begins with registration at 1 p.m. The program starts at 1:15 p.m. with a pre-test for all applicants.

Dr. Dale Rollins, extension wildlife specialist here, explained that the study group

was tailored for all land owners and managers interested in white-tailed deer.

"This is not your typical 'Deer 101' meeting," said Rollins. "The speakers and their topics are geared toward the serious deer manager. The speakers are top-notch leaders in their respective areas of expertise. The subject matter selected is in-depth and pertinent to today's issues. Much of the itinerary was selected by last year's participants from a questionnaire they completed during the first study group."

"Interest in deer management is just exploding," said Rollins. "In recent years, many landowners have begun to realize just how economically important wildlife are to their bottom line."

Rollins starts the program at 1:45 p.m. with an overview of

deer management on the Rolling Plains. The remainder of the early afternoon session will be dedicated to case studies given by Albany ranchmen Craig Winters and K.C. Jones of the Nail and Newell ranches, respectively. The segment will finish with a look at research needs by Ken Carley, research associate with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station at San Angelo.

"Habitat Management in the Rolling Plains," is the topic for the late afternoon session that starts at 3:30 p.m., following a 30-minute break. The session begins with "Prescribed Burning," by Dr. Fred Bryant, director of the Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Research Institute in Kingsville. Bryant is followed by case studies of cooperative county-level efforts in conducting prescribed burns.

Case study speakers will include Alan Heirman, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Albany; Rocky Vinson, Shackelford County extension agent; and Gary Franke, NRCS, Albany. Steve Nelle, NRCS wildlife biologist at San Angelo, will end the day's formal presentations with "Carrying Capacity: What Does it Mean in the Rolling Plains?"

The first afternoon's classroom lectures will end with a panel discussion featuring all of the previous speakers. The group will then adjourn to the Newell Ranch for field demonstrations on Brush Sculptor techniques and Geographic Information Systems Brush Sculptor tools for sculpting. The ranch is located just west of Albany on U.S. Highway 6.

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Britton receives top award from Coldwell Banker

HERALD Staff Report

Janelle Britton, owner of Coldwell Banker, Sun Country, was presented the 1999 Office Manager's Award for Excellence from more than 3,000 Coldwell Banker Real Estate Corporation offices worldwide.



BRITTON

Britton was recognized for her achievement at the company's International Business Conference, held recently in Las Vegas, Nev.

"Janelle Britton is a strong team leader who exhibits superior management skills," said Alex Perriello, president and CEO of Coldwell Banker Real Estate Corporation. "It is an honor to recognize Janelle's exceptional abilities with this prestigious award."

"As the Coldwell Banker brand moves forward into the new millennium in a position of leadership, so too does Janelle Britton," said Perriello. "She exhibits the highest standards of excellence, which is what dis-

tinguishes the Coldwell Banker system from the competition."

Britton has been an owner of Sun Country Realtors since it began in 1981 and became the sole owner in 1992. She joined with Coldwell Banker franchise in 1993. She was licensed as a sales agent in 1977 and acquired her broker's license in 1980. She is a graduate of the Realtor Institute and is a certified residential specialist.

Britton was also selected to join the company's International President's Circle — an honor bestowed on the top

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IN THE NEWS

DR. PAUL TEVENI of Stanton has been appointed to serve on the Texas Medical Association's Committee on Rural Health. The committee reviews and comments on governmental laws, regulations and activities which have an impact on rural medicine. It also develops concepts and proposals that specifically address the needs of rural areas. Teveni is a member of the

American Medical Association, the Texas Academy of Family Physicians, the Permian Basin Medical Society and the Ector County Medical Society. He also serves as the Martin County Hospital chief of staff.

Teveni was appointed by Gov. George W. Bush in 1998 to serve on the Texas Rural Community Health System Board.

JIMMY STALLINGS, of H.D. Vest Financial Services in Stanton was recently selected as a member of Kemper Executive Council, an exclusive organization for financial representatives.

Stallings is serving a seventh term on Kemper Executive Council and has been in the financial services industry for 15 years.

Cyberstates

Study ranks Texas No. 2 in high-tech jobs and in growth

AUSTIN (AP) — With a new study ranking Texas No. 2 nationally in high-tech jobs, Lt. Gov. Rick Perry said Wednesday that state officials will continue focusing on education improvements to help keep the boom going.

Texas added more than 132,000 high-technology jobs from 1993 to 1998, increasing the tech workforce to 411,000. That's second only to California, said the study released by the American Electronics Association and the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Texas tech workers earned an average wage of \$60,300 in 1998, or 88 percent more than the state's other private sector workers, the study said.

"The technology sector in Texas is stronger than 40 acres of garlic," Perry said. "If that weren't for California and the Silicon Valley, we'd be No. 1 in just about every category."

Perry called the study "a road map for the future" and said action must be taken to keep Texas in the forefront of technology growth.

KEY FINDINGS	
Jobs	410,955
Companies	12,228
Payroll	\$24.8 billion
Average wage	\$60,265
High-tech exports	\$25 billion, 30 percent of total Texas exports

Here are some of the key Texas findings of Cyberstates 4.0, a national study of the high-technology industry conducted by the American Electronics Association and the Nasdaq Stock Market:

Technology companies now employ 56 out of every 1,000 private sector workers in the state, the report said. The 411,000 total tops oil and gas drilling (158,000), agriculture (111,000), food products (99,000) and petroleum refining (26,000), it found.

Perry noted that the Legislature has devoted considerable attention to education in recent years, and he said that must continue.

Getting more federal funds for higher education is a priority, he said.

"Being able to put out more of the skilled workforce is very important to the future of the technology community in Texas. That says education, K through 16 to me," Perry said. "What we will be focused on at the state level is continuing to improve the education establishment, if you will, the workforce of the state of Texas."

"We must continue to raise the bar on educational excellence, particularly our math and science students, and send more Texans to college," he said.

"We must continue to educate and graduate scientists, engineers and the skilled workforce that is required for these technology enterprises to continue to expand."

Jack Swindle, senior vice president of Texas Instruments, said the report contained some impressive findings about technology in Texas.

"It's the strongest part of our economy," Swindle said. "Texas is either the national leader or No. 2 in all of the important sectors."

The state ranks third in software services employment, with 50,800 workers; second in



Morris Robertson, left, hands the keys for his auto body shop business to his nephew, John Bryans as his wife, Jenny, looks on Thursday. The Bryans took over operations of the shop, at 207 Gollad, which they have named Big Spring Collision Center.

Insurance consumer call for

AUSTIN (AP) — The insurance industry and its advocates square off in a new insurance commission hearing Monday. Much of the focus will be on auto insurance.

Insurance companies are seeking a 10.6 percent rate increase, the average benchmark for the state. The commission, on the other hand, is seeking a 1.9 percent increase.

Montemayor is expected to rule on the new rates in a few weeks.

Under the new system, most insurers must charge rates above or below the average by the Department of Insurance.

The average rate for the most often sold policy there are actually rates depending on the graphics of the driver use of the car, driver lives.

As a result, insurance rates will vary widely in the state. For instance, a typical policy according to the department definition would pay \$446 a year in Dallas and \$712 in Dallas.

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12 percent of the 70,000 Coldwell Banker associates worldwide member in the club. The club can be extended an honor bestow "Retreat," a three-day exclusively for top-producing sales.

The International Circle recognizes Coldwell Banker associates who sales dedication award said Perriello.

Linda Barnes Banker has earned into the International Division an honor bestowed 20 percent of Coldwell Banker sales associates.

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A fajita dinner at 6:15 p.m., on May 21, 2000. A "Shoot From the Hip" point and count at 7:30 p.m. will be the final activity. Moderated by H. Prickly Pear and Rollins will offer Darrell Uecker, researcher at the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, the counterpoint. Adjournment is scheduled for 10 p.m.

The second of the events at 6:30 a.m. at the Sun Country Ranch, located north of Albany on Highway 283. Hudman, the ranch manager, will be the first stop with a discussion of the ranch's deer management. The second stop will be Key sales representative Snyder. Mills' extensive background testing, will be

Insurance attorneys, consumer advocates call for new auto rate

AUSTIN (AP) — The insurance industry and a consumer advocate squared off before Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor Friday over how much Texans should pay for auto insurance.

Insurance companies asked for a 10.6 percent increase in the average benchmark rate for the state. The consumer advocate, on the other hand, said overall rates should decrease 4.8 percent.

Both sides first presented their cases to a pair of administrative law judges in September. Those judges recommended an average statewide increase of 1.9 percent.

Montemayor is expected to rule on the new rates in a few weeks.

Under the benchmark rate system, most insurance companies must charge either 30 percent above or below the rate set by the Department of Insurance.

The average rate statewide is the most often discussed, but there are actually thousands of rates depending on the demographics of the driver, type and use of the car, and where the driver lives.

As a result, insurance costs vary widely in the state. For instance, a typical driver — according to the insurance department definition — could pay \$446 a year in San Angelo and \$712 in Dallas.

The benchmark rates apply only to rate-regulated companies, about 72 percent of the market. They do not apply to county mutual companies, about 28 percent of the market.

Rod Bordelon, public insurance counsel, said insurance companies are entitled to a reasonable profit, but they are now making too much money — particularly on bodily injury insurance.

"I think we need some rate relief and I think we need it quickly," he told Montemayor.

Bordelon, a state employee who represents consumers on insurance issues, asked for a 13 percent cut in the average benchmark rate for bodily injury insurance.

Jerry Johns, a spokesman for the insurance industry, took the opposite approach. He said the costs of providing bodily injury insurance are increasing.

"The costs to mend broken bodies is rising dramatically, putting more pressure on insurance rates," he said. "One need only look at medical costs in Texas to determine how health care impacts auto insurance rates."

The insurance industry recommended a 14 percent increase in the average benchmark rate for bodily injury insurance. The administrative law judges recommended a 3 percent cut.

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Lloyd Allen Mauldin Jr., 28, and Beth Denise Light, 32
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Jason Dean Daniels, 22, and Jasha Marie McGough, 18
Gary Lynn Bishop, 48, and Cynthia Leigh Herrera, 34

Court Records:
Probated Judgment, DWLI:
Richard V. Salazar, \$300 fine, \$284.25 court cost, 180 days in jail, and Edward Garcia Jr., \$500 fine, and \$123.25 court cost, 180 days in jail.

Probated Judgment, DWI:
Hernandez, \$750 fine, \$249.25 court cost, 180 days in jail; Henry Lynn Roach, \$750 fine, \$249.25 court cost, 180 days in jail; Joe William Petty, \$1,000 fine, \$264.25, 180 days in jail; Ronald Kesse Jarrett, \$1,000 fine, \$264.25 court cost, 180 days in jail; Arthur Dee Nanny Jr., \$2,500, \$264.25 court cost, 365 days in jail; James Kenneth Upham, \$1,000 fine, \$275.25 court cost, 180 days in jail; Cameron Heath Carlile, \$500 fine, \$275.25 court cost, 180 days in jail; and Larry Joe Webb, \$750 fine, \$275.25 court cost, 180 days in jail.

Probated Judgment DWI, second offense: Michael Wayne Cogburn, \$2,500 fine, \$264.25, 365 days in jail; and Gary L. Miller, \$2,000 fine, \$275.25 court cost, 365 days in jail.

Probated Judgment Make Alcoholic Beverages Available to Minors: Elva M. Ponce, \$300 fine, \$249.25 court cost, 150 days in jail.

Probated Judgment DWLS: Arturo Ramirez, \$250 fine, \$260.25 court cost, 180 days in jail.

Probated Judgment Possession of Marijuana, less than two ounces: Keith Wade Gamel, \$500 fine, 180 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence, Making Alcoholic Beverages Available to Minors: Michael Richter, \$250 fine, \$299.25 court cost, and 60 days in jail.
Judgment and Sentence, Resisting Arrest: Albert Gomez Jr., \$300 fine, \$310.25 court cost, 90 days in jail.

Deeds:
Warranty Deed:
grantor L.D. Cunningham and wife Mary Cunningham
grantee Ricky Washburn and wife, Brenda Washburn
property Lots 1 and 2, blk. 53 Original Town of Big Spring
filed May 11, 2000

grantor Matt Harrington
grantee James L. Dorland and Angela K. Dorland
property All of lot 6, blk. 9, Washington Place
filed May 12, 2000

grantor Kevin R. Cook and Ginger E. Cook
grantee Anthony Aguilar and spouse, Laurie Aguilar
property Lot 3, blk. 3, Kentwood Unit 1
filed May 12, 2000

grantor Kenny Thompson
grantee Lupe Villalpando and Sue Villalpando
property The East 40 feet of lot 2, all of lot 3, blk. 3, La Loma Addition
filed May 12, 2000

grantor: Audrey Melba Nichols
grantee: Robert C. Nichols and Pamela Nichols
property: The East half of the southwest quarter of sec. 16, blk. 32
filed: May 15, 2000

grantor: Lillie Evelyn Clark
grantee: Susan Clark Crawford
property: A 2.0 tract of land out of the northwest quarter of sec. 6, blk. 31
filed: May 15, 2000

grantor: Walter W. Stroup and Jo Ann Stroup
grantee: Alberto Valdes and Lilliam Valdes
property: All of lot 24, blk. 6, Highland South Addition No. 3
filed: May 16, 2000

grantor: Melvin A. Porter and Linda Porter
grantee: Donnie Reagan and Norma Reagan
property: a 1.082 acre tract of land out of the northwest part of sec. 6, blk. 32
filed: May 16, 2000

grantor: Allen Dean Avant
grantee: Guadalupe Ybarra and Lucy Ybarra
property: Lot 3, blk. 7, Wright's Airport Addition
filed: May 17, 2000

Warranty deed with vendor's lien:
grantor: Parks Fuels, Inc.
grantee: Henry Franco and Lisa Franco
property: A .56 acre tract of land out of the northwest quarter sec. 7, blk. 32, and the northeast quarter of sec. 12, blk. 33
filed: May 11, 2000

grantor: The Board of Trustees of the Coahoma Independent School District of Coahoma
grantee: Pam M. Cornutt
property: All of lots 6 and 7 and the North 287 of lot 8, all in blk. 13, Saunders Addition
filed May 12, 2000

grantor: Carol Moore
grantee: Paul George and Nancy George
property: Lot 12, blk. 5, College Park
filed May 12, 2000

grantor: Jesus Alberto Valdes and spouse, Lilliam Amparo Valdes
grantee: Salvador Jimenez and

spouse, Gloria M. Jimenez
property: Lot 30, blk. 4, Kentwood Unit No. 1
filed: May 15, 2000

grantor: Jarrell Carroll and Betty Carroll
grantee: John V. Flournoy and Quinn S. Flournoy
property: All of lot 2, blk. 8, Coronado Hills Addition
filed: May 16, 2000

grantor: Patricia M. Hagan, George Robert McAllen and Thomas Richard McAllen
grantee: Inge Grisham and Charles Grisham Jr.
property: All of Lot 10, blk. 4, Western Hills
filed: May 16, 2000

grantor: Melvin A. Porter and Linda Porter
grantee: Donnie Reagan and spouse, Norma Reagan
property: All of lot 2, blk. 1, Harrol Jones
filed: May 16, 2000

grantor: Leslie Lloyd
grantee: Kevin L. and wife, Juanita P. Ritz
property: the North 80 feet of lot 1, and the north 80 feet of the West half of lot 2, blk. 14, Cole & Strayhorn Addition
filed: May 16, 2000

grantor: Robert E. Haney Jr., Paul R. Haney and Edith Haney, Trustee of the Wild Horse Farm Trust and Cynthia L. Stafford, Interim Trustee of the Wild Horse Farm Trust
grantee: Eston Hollis and Faye Hollis
property: A 278.356 acre tract, more or less, out of the West half sec. 4, blk. 32
filed: May 17, 2000

grantor: Wade A. Egnor and Karla B. Egnor
grantee: Unicom Systems Unlimited, Inc.
property: A 42.281 acre tract of land out of a 158.60 acre tract out of the South half of sec. 43, blk. 33
filed: May 17, 2000

grantor: Paul R. Arms and wife, Leonor J. Arms
grantee: Roy Olivas Gomez Jr. and wife, Raye Anne Gomez
property: Lot 6, blk. 19, College Park Estates
filed May 17, 2000

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12 percent of the more than 70,000 Coldwell Banker sales associates world wide. As a member in the circle, she will be extended an invitation to attend the company's "Elite Retreat," a three-day conference exclusively for the company's top-producing sales associates.

"The International President's Circle recognizes those Coldwell Banker sales associates who sales performance and dedication are exceptional," said Perriello.

Linda Barnes of Coldwell Banker has earned membership into the company's International Diamond Society, an honor bestowed upon the top 20 percent of Coldwell Banker sales associates.

"Being selected as a member of the International Diamond Society is one of the highest honors among our sales associates," said the regional director.

Janelle Davis of Sun Country has been chosen as a member of the company's International Sterling Society, an honor bestowed on the top 27 percent of sales associates. Davis was licensed as a sales agent in 1976 and acquired her broker's license in 1982.

KITE

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A fajita dinner will be served at 6:15 p.m., on the ranch.

A "Shoot From the Hip" point and counterpoint session at 7:30 p.m. will be the day's final activity. The session, moderated by Heirman, will address the topic, "Deer, Prickly Pear and Forb Shock." Rollins will offer the point, Dr. Darrell Ueckert, range researcher at San Angelo, with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, will offer the counterpoint stance. Adjournment the first evening is scheduled for 9 p.m.

The second day (June 4) convenes at 8:30 a.m. with refreshments on the Stasney-Cook Ranch, located about 10 miles north of Albany on U.S. Highway 283. Johnnie Hudman, the ranch's wildlife manager, will open the morning's first stop on the program with a discussion of the ranch's deer management policies. The second speaker at the stop will be Kent Mills, Ezell-Key sales representative from Snyder. Mills, who has an extensive background in forage testing, will address the impor-

tance of forage testing to enhance supplemental feeding strategies.

The second stop will be a "walk and talk" plant identification session manned by Nelle and Ricky Linex, range conservationist with the NRCS in Abilene.

The morning's third and final stop will deal with game fences. "High Fences: Boon or Bane to Deer Managers?" will be the topic of discussion by Greg Simons, owner of Wildlife Systems, a San Angelo-based hunting concern and by Ruben Cantu, regional director for Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, San Angelo.

Lunch is scheduled for noon at the ranch.

The group's final session starts at 1:15 p.m. with a discussion on the Texas Youth Hunting Association with a followup by Rollins on a white-tailed deer youth education initiative. The day's final formal presentation will be by Homer Sanchez, NRCS, Temple. Sanchez will address deer and cattle integration concerns. The program will conclude with the securing of a host for the 2000 annual meeting and a post test.

Preregistration by May 28 is \$20 per person. Registration after May 28 is \$30 per person.

For further information on the program and registration, contact David Kight at the Howard County Extension Office (915) 264-2236.

Howard County Clerk's Office:

Marriage Licenses:
Jimmy Dewain Matthes, 21, and Misty Deane Carter, 23
Stephen Coy Meyer, 20, and Christin Merrett Whisner, 18
Brandon David Harrington, 23, and Shelli Dana Webb, 25

The Big Spring Herald will be closed Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day. Deadlines for Classified and Retail are as follows:

RETAIL

Deadline for Monday, May 29th & Tuesday, May 30th is 12:00 Noon Friday, May 26th and Wednesday May 31st is 5 pm. Friday, May 26th.

CLASSIFIED

Deadline for Sunday, May 28th is 12 noon Friday, May 26th. There will be no "Too Lates".
Monday, May 29th Classified Deadline is Friday, May 26th at 3 p.m.
Tuesday, May 30th, Deadline is Friday, May 26th at 4:45 p.m.
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) **** Take charge, and straighten out unfinished details of the past few days. Others now appreciate your intervention. Bring family and friends together for a barbecue or get-together. An older relative or someone to whom you give a lot of power cares. Tonight: In the limelight.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) **** Seize the day. Make plans to go someplace where you feel removed from the day-to-day grind. In a new environment, you see life much differently. Take a chance; try something totally different. What could have been an argument becomes a discussion. Tonight: Let your mind wander.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) **** Your ability to intensely relate relieves recent stress within a partnership. Because of your personality and lightness, others sometimes question your capacity for intensity. Tonight: Dinner for two.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** Defer to others. Worry less about what could happen, when and where. Your sense of humor comes out with a child or loved one. You don't need to do anything right now. Let others take the initiative. Tonight: Out and about.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) **** Make this an easy day of relaxation; perhaps get a quick chore done. Your sense of humor and playfulness emerge in the present climate. Don't assume anything. Just let everything flow. Surprises lie ahead. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) **** Understand your limits when dealing with someone you really care about. Don't assume you can influence this person; let him be his natural self. Avoid unnecessary risks.

and you'll gain. Tonight: Let the child in you out.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) **** Stay close to a loved one. He might not see eye to eye with you, but he still cares a lot. Invite others over rather than going out. Order pizza instead of cooking. Make everything easy. Success naturally follows. Tonight: Happy at home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) **** Make an additional effort to reach out for others. An invitation comes your way; accept it. Get out, even if it is just for a walk in the park or to run an errand or two. Adventures happen. Let spontaneity lead you in a new direction. Tonight: Do something you love.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) **** Indulge a little and worry less about what is happening. You, too, need a day off for some R&R and perhaps some levity. Invite a loved one or friend to join you. Tonight: Your treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) **** Reach out and energize others. Your natural good nature brings others out of the doldrums. Make plans. Notice how many people enjoy your company. Get together with others and socialize. Tonight: Where the gang is.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** Take a deep breath and think. Slow and easy does it for you. Don't feel pressured by another and his needs. Curl up with a good book or take a walk. Do what is meaningful for you. Evaluate what will make you happy. Tonight: It is your call.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) **** Join friends, get together and have a good time. While sharing a favorite pastime or movie, you relax. Meet a new person, then introduce him to your friends. Indulgence proves to be a theme! Tonight: Where the gang is.

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Sun god and goddesses are only mere mortals after all

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing this a few days before I go into surgery for something I never thought was a big deal. Melanoma.

I had a flat "unthreatening" mole on my arm - sort of a large freckle - that had been there for as long as I could remember. Not too long ago, it started growing quickly enough that I began to notice the difference from one week to another. I didn't worry about it because I have freckles all over. Fortunately, a friend of mine who is a dermatologist said, "You ought to have that looked at."

My doctor biopsied the freckle and said he was 90 percent certain it was nothing to worry about. A few days later he called me himself and informed me I would need a complete body exam, my lymph nodes examined, and further surgery to take more skin off that arm.

I quickly learned that unlike less serious skin cancers, melanoma has a very high rate of metastasis. It can quickly spread to the lymph nodes, the eyes, the stomach, even to the brain. It is one of the fastest-growing cancers in the United States as far as numbers of people affected. It can kill you, and once you've had it, you are at risk for the rest of your life. It is so serious that I will have trouble getting life insurance

and will no longer be allowed to give blood.

Sun exposure is one of the risk factors for melanoma. I grew up in the sun - sailing, swimming, on the beach. I've even occasionally used tanning beds. I won't be doing that anymore.

Please, Abby, tell your readers how serious melanoma is. They should watch for any changes in moles and have them checked immediately.

I'm 41, and my doctor tells me he's seen it in people as young as 20. It tends to strike younger people than other cancers do. When I think of the tans I worked so hard to get, and the sunburns I shrugged off and slathered with aloe, I cringe. If I could turn back the clock I would, and stay lily-white. - LAURA H. MARSHALL, WALNUT CREEK, CALIF.

DEAR LAURA: Thank you for your important warning. Everyone is at risk for skin cancer, regardless of his or her skin color. Summer is just around the corner, and I pray that my sun-worshipping readers will remember a few tips to protect themselves from ultraviolet (UV) rays.

About 80 percent of skin cancers could be prevented by protecting ourselves from the sun's rays. Limit direct sun exposure, especially during midday. Cover up - wear long sleeves and a hat. Use a sunscreen with a sun protection factor (SPF) of 15 or higher. Be sure to wear sunglasses that block UV rays. Avoid sunlamps and tanning booths, and check your skin regularly for any changes in freckles or moles.

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