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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 W. Third.

THURSDAY

□ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. U42060, Herman's, 7 a.m.

□ Big Spring Senior Citizens Center Art Classes, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. for 55 and older.

□ Kiwanis Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

□ Texas Workforce Center, 6 p.m., free seminar on career opportunities with StarTek.

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

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Howard County Night Out plans to be finalized Monday

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
News Editor

Preparations for the first-ever Howard County Night Out observance continue Monday with a second organizational meeting.



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"We are encouraged about

the growing support," said John H. Walker, publisher of the Big Spring Herald, which is sponsoring Howard County Night Out. "We have a lot of neighborhoods — at least half-dozen in addition to the community-wide Night Out — that are planning to participate. We feel like the project will continue to grow."

Monday's meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce board room.

Some 18 people attended last week's meeting to begin organizing for the Aug. 1 observance. It will coincide with the "17th Annual National Night Out," a unique crime and drug prevention event that involves citizens, law enforcement agencies, civic groups, business and neighborhood organizations.

The purpose is to allow neighbors to get to know each other and to get to know their law enforcement representatives so they may

all work together to reduce crime and promote a more safe environment.

A community-wide observance will be held from 7 to 10 that night at the Railroad Plaza in downtown Big Spring. In addition, several neighborhoods throughout the county have made plans for block parties.

"The block parties can be as simple or as elaborate as people want to make them," said Walker.

The downtown observance is expected to include

live music. It is hoped food vendors will participate.

"We're still trying to find food vendors that would split the profits with us," said Walker.

While Big Spring will not be a registered participant in the National Night Out this year, organizers of the local observance say it will give the community a solid start for participation in 2001.

"What we've been able to

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Courtesy photo

The Big Spring VA Medical Center is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. A special program will be held at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the lobby of the outpatient clinic. Refreshments will be served and tours of the hospital will be conducted.

VA Medical Center to celebrate anniversary

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
News Editor

The Big Spring VA Medical Center is inviting the public to join in celebrating its 50th anniversary on Tuesday.

"We'd like everyone to join us. This isn't just for veterans. It's for everyone," said Iva Jo Hanslik, acting com-



BROWN

munity relations coordinator.

Former longtime Big Spring resident Joe Pickle will be the main speaker for a brief ceremony. It was Pickle who, as a member of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce board in 1944, made the motion that Big Spring pursue securing a Veterans Administration hospital for the city.

John Webb, chief of social work service, will serve as master of ceremonies for the event, which will get under way at 3 p.m. in the

50TH ANNIVERSARY

When: 3 p.m. Tuesday

Where: VA Medical Center outpatient clinic lobby

For: Everyone who would like to attend

outpatient clinic lobby. He will introduce special guests and key VA Medical Center personnel, including Cary D. Brown, CEO of the West Texas VA Health Care System.

"I'm proud to be a part of an organization that provides quality health care to approximately 16,000 veterans each year," said Brown. "Our VA registers an average of 300 outpatient visits daily, 200 of which are at the Big Spring facility. These veterans by virtue of their travels patronize the community of Big Spring daily."

Also attending will be Smith Jenkins Jr., Department of Veterans Affairs director of Network

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Local officials first envisioned center in 1944

HERALD Staff Report

Six years before Big Spring VA Medical Center opened its doors, community leaders were laying the groundwork.

The need for a medical facility arose in 1944 when it became apparent that the end of World War II would mean millions of veterans would be coming home. More hospitals would be needed and one of those, it was reported, would be for

the West Texas region and eastern New Mexico.

In October of 1944, Big Spring's chamber became involved and sent a group to Washington to promote the city as a site for the hospital. In July 1945, Big Spring was approved.

The medical center was designed and constructed under the supervision of the Corps of Engineers for the Veterans Administration. Construction began on Feb. 2, 1948, and was completed on June 3, 1950.

Marine James A. Waters was the first patient to be admitted to the center on July 17, 1950. On Sept. 10, 1950, General Carl R. Gray Jr. formally dedicated the center. Within two months after opening, 135 of the 250 beds were being utilized. By September, the workforce has reached 235.

"The Department of Veterans Affairs continues to be a leader in

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Mitchell County officials optimistic about budget

By **CARL GRAHAM**
Staff Writer

COLORADO CITY — After a series of budget workshops over the past several days, Mitchell County officials are cautiously optimistic that the county is in a better financial condition this year than it was last year.

A \$73.5 million drop in property values due to a depressed oil industry, from \$400,934,987 to \$327,463,282, caused some concern about this year's budget but preliminary indications are the county will have an almost \$3 million surplus once all the figures are in.

"We will have a better idea when we have the release of the 2001 values by the Mitchell County Appraisal District on July 25," said County Judge Ray Mayo. "We are cautiously optimistic however that we

are in pretty good shape financially."

The court would like to see a 5 percent increase in salaries for the 72 county employees who have not had a pay raise since 1998.

County Auditor Susan Buckalew submitted a tentative schedule listing department heads' budget requests of \$3,602,474 and projected receipts of \$4,212,044 for the next year.

The current budget is for \$3,485,668, and with \$4,191,244 in revenues expected this year, a \$705,576 surplus is forecast.

Buckalew said the county has \$6.9 million in the bank, including \$2.9 million in reserves. With its fiscal year coinciding with the calendar year, county departments spent less than 50 percent of their budgets through the first six months of the year.

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City Pay increase, incentives among new budget plans

By **BILL McCLELLAN**
News Editor

Hoping to address an increasing problem, Big Spring City Council is studying ways

of retaining its employees including a possible \$125 a month raise as well as other incentives.

"We're trying to put together a package that is fair to all employees and also give an incentive for longevity and certifications. We're trying to prevent some of the turnover we've been experiencing," said Mayor Russ McEwen.

That and a more aggressive approach to water line repair and vehicle replacement were among key issues the council is studying as it works on a budget for 2000-2001.

"It's going very, very well. The staff did a great job of presenting what we asked for," said McEwen. "It's a budget with some great goals. Now we are looking at whether we can afford it or not."

The preliminary budget includes a \$125 a month raise for all city employees, increases in the amount of pay for those certified in emergency medical services — basic, intermediate and paramedic — and a possible increase for longevity.

"The pay increase is a portion of what we are trying to do, but we're also looking at enhancements in

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MCEWEN



HERALD photo/Carl Graham

Battalion Chief Zach Johnson holds the boot out for Nathan Land at Wal-Mart Supercenter Saturday. The Howard County Volunteer Fire Department was collecting donations for Muscular Dystrophy.

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OBITUARIES

Loretta Marie Heffington Henson

Loretta Marie Heffington Henson 82, of Big Spring, died on Thursday, July 20, 2000, in a Big Spring nursing home. Graveside funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, July 24, 2000, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with Arnold Tonn, pastor of Spring Tabernacle Church, officiating.



Loretta was born on Jan. 6, 1918, in Oklahoma and married Guy Coleman Heffington in 1936 in Big Spring, Texas. He preceded her in death on Dec. 19, 1971.

She was a Baptist. Survivors include two daughters, Janice Henson of Stanton and Glenda Sappelt of Shreveport, La.; a sister, Ova Wiggins of Albuquerque, N.M.; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was also preceded in death by her son, Guy Coleman Heffington Jr.

The family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Association-Permian Basin Chapter, 203 West Wall St., Midland, Texas 79701.

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

Paid obituary

Callie Smith

Callie Smith, 95, of Big Spring, died on Saturday, July 22, 2000, in a local hospital. Graveside funeral services will be at 11:30 a.m. Monday, July 24, 2000, at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born on Dec. 26, 1904, in Indian Territory, Okla., and married Alton G. Smith on Nov. 22, 1924 in Midland, Texas. He preceded her in death on Aug. 6, 1975.

Mrs. Smith was a long-time resident of the Luther Community and was a homemaker.

She was a member of Bethel Baptist Church in Luther.

Survivors include one daughter and son-in-law, Lois and Cromwell Rhoton of Big Spring; one son and daughter-in-law, G.B. and Patsy Smith of Big Spring; two grandchildren, Brent Rhoton and Tina Saucedo; four great-grandchildren; and two sisters, Louise Robertson of Marble Falls and Silva Lee Robertson of Granite Shoals.

The family suggests

memorials to the donor's favorite charity.

The family will receive friends at the funeral home on Sunday afternoon from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m.

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

Paid obituary

WHAT'S UP

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FRIDAY

Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Call 267-1037 or 267-7281. Bring a lunch.

The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.

AMBUCS, noon, La Posada.

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

SATURDAY

The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encouraged.

Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third. Members and guests welcome.

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do is already form a committee that's not only interested in doing something in two weeks, but a group of people that are going to make this an annual event," Big Spring Police Department Sgt. Lee Everett said after last week's meeting. "We're getting kind of a late start for tonight, but there are lots of things we can learn this time that will help us prepare for 2001."

The project has also been endorsed by Howard County Sheriff Bill Jennings.

"The sheriff's department will participate and support it in any way we can," Jennings said. "We're very happy to hear that this is going to be a county-wide event."

Anyone interested in helping plan the community-wide event, as well as those planning neighborhood observances, is encouraged to attend Monday's meeting.

In the meantime, those who won't be able to participate in the Night Out are also encouraged to show their support.

"We're also asking everyone to turn on their front porch light the night of Aug. 1, even if they are unable to participate in the community-wide event or their own

block party. The message is "Turn a Light on Crime," Walker said.

Food vendors interested in participating in the community-wide event at the Railroad Plaza should contact Terri Hudson at the Big Spring Police Department, 263-7311.

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18. Others to be recognized are former employees, contractors and patients.

"Following the program, we will show a video on all four televisions in the out-patient area, on the history of our VA Medical Center," said Hanslik. The video lasts about 15 minutes, she said, and refreshments will be served.

The video will be followed by guided tours of the medical center.

"This will be a great opportunity for those who have not seen the VA Medical Center to see what goes on here," Hanslik said.

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longevity pay and certification pay," said McEwen.

"We also made a significant change in amount of capital expenditures and upgrading the city fleet. Service center costs have been escalating and that's because our fleet is aging," the mayor said. "You have to ask 'Does it make more sense to spend money on new vehicles or on repairing old ones?'"

Another area the council has focused on is water line replacement.

"We're also considering enhancement of replacement of water lines. We have an inordinate amount of water leaks," said McEwen. "We have a significant amount of money in water that runs down the street. We feel strongly we need to do something to prevent that from happening."

Exact figures on pay increases and funds directed toward capital expenditures and water line replacement won't be available until city staff completes some studies.

"We're asking them to come back to us with some 'what ifs,'" said McEwen. Those "what ifs" include, of course, a look at the ambulance service.

"We found out our cost was in line with what private carriers were offering. Now that we know it is cost-effective, we are taking a strong look at it, projected out for seven years," said McEwen. "And we have the numbers now to work with. We've got real numbers; we know what it is going to cost."

McEwen said the council will meet again will city staff in August to begin finalizing the document.

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

"I think it is a progressive budget, but I think it is also a responsible budget," said McEwen.

City Manager Gary Fuqua agreed.

"We're real pleased. The council and staff worked real hard on the budget. I think we're putting together a real good document to work with," said Fuqua.

Despite the proposed pay raise and other expenses, McEwen said he is not anticipating hitting citizens with a large tax or fee increase.

"We're not looking at major changes in the tax rate or fees. Minor adjustments may need to be made, but if that happens, we'll be able to show people exactly where that money is going. They'll know it is not going into some black hole somewhere," he said.

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"What put us in better shape was due to the fact we under budgeted our revenue," said Buckalew. "That and the fact that we did not spend all our budget from last year. Also, I never budget in the ad valorem tax because that is something you can't really count on."

According Mayo, a lot of the credit must go to Buckalew for her behind the scenes work.

"Susan does a lot of hard work in helping with the budget and she does so without a lot of fanfare," said Mayo. "She never expects any credit but she certainly deserves some."

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improving the overall quality of care through patient safety initiatives such as computerized medical records, bar-coding medication administration and other avenues," said Cary Brown, CEO of West Texas VA Health Care System. "The quality of care is evidenced by the excellent ratings from the Joint Commission Accreditation of Hospital Organizations, External Peer Review of

TEXAS LOTTERY

Lotto: 7,16,21,23,28,37

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

Professionals, College of American Pathologists and other regulatory agencies.

MEETINGS

MARTIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

9 a.m. Monday, Martin County Courthouse

Items on the agenda include:

- Bills
- Reports
- Pipeline and utility crossings
- Improvements and repairs
- Road and Bridge employee pay raises
- Approval of election judges and alternate judges for two-year terms
- Request for new computer and Internet service for the county tax assessor
- Request for new copier in the county clerk's office.

MOORE DEVELOPMENT FOR BIG SPRING

11 a.m. Monday, 215 W. Third Street

Items on the agenda include:

- Previous minutes
- June financials and investment report
- Request for assistance from the Heart of the City Park
- Request for assistance from A&M Composites
- Director's report

STANTON ISD

7 p.m. Monday, school administration building

Items on the agenda include:

- Amend 1999-2000 budget
- Consider 2000-01 budget
- Conduct analysis of SISD student interest survey
- Personnel

HOWARD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

10 a.m. Monday, Howard County Courthouse

Items on the agenda include:

- Personnel considerations
- Renewal of tax contract
- Budget carryover request
- Courthouse/library renovation

COAHOMA ISD

7 p.m. Monday, administration building

Items on the agenda include:

- Revisions to local policy on class ranking, promotion and absences
- Personnel, employment of junior high principal, teacher/coach - baseball, elementary teachers, junior high language arts/reading
- Revision of gifted and talented policies
- Consider salaries for custodial, maintenance, cafeteria and transportation
- Consider revisions on coaching stipend schedule
- Contracts for drug dogs
- School lunch prices for 2000-2001
- Agreement with James Parker & Associates as broker of record for employee health insurance
- Consider budget amendments for 1999-2000
- Discussion/information items
- 2000-2001 budget workshop.

POLICE

Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities between 8 a.m. Friday through 11:00 p.m. Saturday:

- **COURTNEY GASKINS**, 25, of Coahoma, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct/language.
- **ROBERT FRIEND**, 30, of 1305 Lamar, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **DANIEL BARBER**, 39, of 808 E. 13th, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **JOHNNY FRANCO**, 27, of 202 Ridge Rd, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct/fighting.

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State pressing for additional prosecutions of Medicaid fraud

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas Attorney General John Cornyn is spearheading a crackdown on people defrauding Medicaid, which has led to a glut of the cases in state district courts.

"I've been in the major fraud division since 1995 and never heard of Medicaid fraud being filed like this before," Harris County Assistant District Attorney Terry Jennings told the Houston Chronicle

in Saturday's editions. "All these cases we have now have been brought in the last year and a half and more cases are pending. This is just the tip of the iceberg."

In fiscal year 1999, Cornyn's office found \$7.6 million in Medicaid overpayments prompting investigators to open 260 fraud cases, 71 which were presented to federal and state prosecutors, said Scott

Stephenson, director of the attorney general's Medicaid fraud control unit.

Prosecutors won 38 convictions for \$5.2 million fines and restitution, although not all the cases went forward, Stephenson said.

This fiscal year, almost \$8 million in overpayments have been found, 118 cases opened and 48 presentations have been made to prosecutors.

"Cornyn wants us to pursue these things and that's what we're trying to do. I think the timing is just right and the mood in society and state and federal government is just perfect (for pursuing these kinds of cases)," Stephenson said.

Although Cornyn has put the cases on the top of his list, prosecutors may be reluctant to prosecute the complex, time-consuming cases involving the \$10 bil-

lion system that provides a variety of services to the poor and disabled.

"A lot of prosecutors don't want to handle them. They're just afraid of them," said Bob Carlisle, a senior investigator for Cornyn's Medicaid fraud unit.

Defense attorneys are also critical of the renewed crackdown, saying Cornyn has found a new "crime of the week."

"Last week it was drug

week, after that it was domestic violence and now it's Medicaid and Medicare fraud. Next week, it'll be something else," said Richard Frankoff, president of the Harris County Criminal Lawyers Association.

The cases will likely be popular with the public, defense attorneys say, but they wonder if the crackdown will do more harm than good.

Workers freed from collapsed trench after nine hours

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — After almost nine hours, rescue crews Friday night freed two construction workers who were trapped in a collapsed trench behind a high school.

Some 60 firefighters and 25 construction workers worked to pull Raul Gonzales free about 10:15 p.m. and David Howe around 40 minutes later, fire department spokesman District Chief Carl Wedge said.

Gonzales was taken by ambulance to University Hospital and Howe was airlifted to Brook Army Medical Center, he said.

It was unclear the extent of injuries to the two, though Wedge said Howe might have had a broken leg.

Both workers were alert and able to talk during rescue efforts that began shortly after the cave-in about 2:15 p.m. Friday, he said. One was trapped up to his

upper chest and the other to his neck.

Rescue workers gave them water throughout the 100-degree afternoon, plus oxygen, since their bodies were being compressed, limiting blood flow and the ability to breathe.

The two workers became trapped in the 12- to 14-foot-deep trench after the earth around it became unstable while they were digging behind San Antonio MacArthur High School,

Wedge said.

"They were in there when the bottom portion of the trench collapsed, which covered them," he said.

While trying to dig out the men, rescue crews worked to shore up the trench by building a wooden frame around it to prevent it from caving in again.

"You have to be very careful in a situation like this that the rescuers don't become a part of the problem," Wedge said.

Danforth clears the government in Waco tragedy

ST. LOUIS (AP) — The blame for the catastrophe at Waco that killed 80 people rests solely with cult leader David Koresh, a former senator said Friday after a 10-month independent investigation. It was the second time in a week that the government was exonerated.

John Danforth concluded "with 100 percent certainty" that federal agents did not start the fire or shoot at members of the Branch Davidian cult during the 1993 inferno. The government also did not improperly use the military, and did not engage in a major cover-up, Danforth said.

Danforth, a longtime Republican senator from Missouri, was appointed by Attorney General Janet Reno last September to investigate the siege after the government acknowledged, following years of denials, that it used pyrotechnic tear gas canisters during the final assault.

Danforth released a 152-page preliminary report containing the conclusions he and his team of investigators reached.

"The blame rests squarely on the shoulders of David Koresh," Danforth said. He added: "This is not a close call."

However, Danforth said that some Justice Department employees and the FBI failed to disclose that agents had fired three pyrotechnic tear gas canisters within 75 feet of the compound. Also unresolved is what happened to the shells and pyrotechnic projectiles that are missing from evidence.

Danforth said investigators are still looking at those issues, and he did not rule out the possibility of criminal charges after his final report is issued, in about 3 months.

The former senator concluded that the pyrotechnic devices were fired four hours before the fire and had nothing to do with the destruction of the Branch Davidian complex in Texas.

"Yet its failure to disclose that information, more than anything else, is responsible for the loss of the public faith in the government's actions at Waco, and it led

directly to this investigation," Danforth wrote in his report.

Danforth cleared Reno and other top government officials of any responsibility for the tragedy.

In Washington, Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder said: "Today's independent review sheds further light on the truth and discredits many of the unsubstantiated allegations that have skewed the public's perception of the events of April 19, 1993."

Similarly, FBI Director Louis Freeh was heartened by the findings.

"The simple truth, as the FBI has maintained since April 19, 1993, has been unmistakably confirmed again today — the FBI fired no shots on that day and the Davidians started the fire that ultimately engulfed the compound," he said.

It was the second time in a week that federal agents have been cleared in the 51-day standoff.

On July 14, a five-member jury in a civil trial in Waco decided that the government was not responsible.

The ruling came in a \$675 million wrongful-death suit brought by surviving cult members and the victims' families.

Ramsey Clark, who represented several survivors and relatives at the trial, said the Danforth report "failed to address the obvious."

"If their conduct was so right," Ramsey asked, "how did it end so very wrong, with so many deaths?"

Clark added that Danforth's report, along with the jury verdict, only reinforces dangerous law enforcement practices.

Danforth did not address whether government agents used poor judgment. "This was an investigation into bad acts, not bad judgment," he said.

The siege began Feb. 28, 1993, when Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents tried to arrest Koresh.

Girl's body found in home; 32-year-old resident arrested

HOUSTON (AP) — A body found in a man's home north of Houston is believed to be that of 12-year-old Christina LeAnn Neal, a Montgomery County girl who was missing for a month, officials said.

John Green, 32, who lived less than one-quarter mile from the girl's home in western Montgomery County, was arrested Friday and charged with murder. He is in Montgomery County Jail with bond set at \$450,000.

FBI agents and Montgomery County sheriff's department officers discovered the body in Green's home, which is north of Texas 105 and one-quarter mile east of FM 1486 in Dobbin. The Harris County medical examiner's office will perform an autopsy and make a positive identification.

The girl disappeared about 11 p.m. on June 21 after she left a neighborhood gathering about 100 yards from her house, officials said.

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You can take the girl out of Louisiana

If you're old enough to remember when all Barbie dolls looked alike and were not molded in the image of girl rock stars, you'd certainly notice that Kentwood — pop singer Britney Spears' hometown — shares its exit off I-55 near the Mississippi line with another little Louisiana town called Liverpool.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

And, for geriatrics, there's a touch of irony in that. Liverpool is a place name that conjures up four other teen idols who made music history.

Ah, but that was yesterday. This is today. And Britney Spears is today. I'll admit blissful ignorance of what she sings about, and how.

But I looked it up on the Internet — the today way to do things — and found that even Rolling Stone magazine has trouble defining Britney: 'Is Spears bubble-gum jailbait, jaded crossover diva or malleable Stepford teen? Who knows?'

Certainly not I. But I found it interesting that the Louisiana burg where she cut her first bright teeth,

sang her first song, aced her first gymnastics floor exercise, is planning in 2001 to open a museum about her life.

She has lived 18 years. But she's packed a lot into them.

Back, for a moment, to Liverpool's has-been Beatles. I ask docent Hazel Morris at the Kentwood Historical & Cultural Arts Museum if she thinks Britney will ever be as big as the Liverpool lads.

"She already is," Hazel Morris says, no hesitation, no qualification.

What's more: "Britney's never gotten what you'd call 'snooty.' She'll stop by when she's in town and say, 'Hi! How are y'all doing?' And when people interview her on TV, she still says 'Yes, ma'am' and 'No, sir.' She can influence a lot of young people."

I found the museum by stopping at the beauty shop one block over, on the main street in this home of the Dairy Festival, population 2,500. (Britney is not listed as a past Dairy Festival Queen, by the way, though a cartoon cow on the festival brochure proudly moos: "Britney Drinks Milk.")

Shaded by Bradford pear trees and full of empty storefronts, Kentwood seems a pleasantly quiet place from which to be catapulted to major stardom.

Lots of bargain bins. A huge farmers' cooperative. On the door of the *Kentwood News-Ledger* this

note: "Out of office. If you need to leave something for the paper, slide it under the door."

On a recent Saturday all is quiet — except for the bustling beauty shop. I plow through a fog of hair spray and ask a stylist if she knows where the Britney Spears Museum will be.

"Where are they going to put Britney?" the woman hollers out over the roar of blow-dryers. Nobody seems certain where Britney is to be enshrined, but another operator — who never stops snipping — suggests I ask at the Kentwood Museum.

Pay dirt. Half of the existing Kentwood Museum soon will be devoted to the life and times of Britney. But right now, it is mostly a military exhibit (from World War II to Desert Storm). Britney's maternal grandfather, Barney Bridges, is a small handsome mug on the wall full of World War II veterans.

"Britney has an English grandmother, you know," Hazel says. Bridges' war bride.

For Hazel Morris' money, the most interesting item in the museum — which early next year will display the necklace Britney wore in a Mardi Gras parade, her "Star Search" dresses and stuff from her stint on the Mickey Mouse Club — is a courting candle. Hazel shows me how it works.

The parents of a young lady receiving gentleman callers could raise or lower

the candle, depending on how much time they wanted to allow the courtship. A relic from the days when parents had control. A far cry from now. (Even in cozy, kudzu-y Kentwood, the front-page articles were about sexually transmitted diseases and how to control nude dance halls.)

Maybe that explains Britney's appeal. According to Rolling Stone, teen spending power has "put a perky new beat on the pop charts, where the devotional vaporings of boy bands have vanquished the rolling rock angst of the early to mid-nineties. 'N Sync, Backstreet Boys and 98 Degrees are now choking on dust from the high-heeled heels of Miss Britney Spears."

And that, of course, begets anti-Britney cults, a dozen or more that have Web sites and names like "Puke Princess" and "The BS about BS."

Meanwhile, our Britney likes days at the beach and reading romance novels. She is building a new house in Kentwood. Everyone here says she remembers her roots and her manners. Her mother, Lynne, teaches in a country school called Spring Creek, and the museum folk feel sure Britney will make it home for the grand reopening.

All this must give hope to every soccer-and-stage mom who ever chauffeured a child to tap and jazz and sewed a sequin on a tutu.



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Rothbard remains a man worth knowing

I love a number of people whom I've never met and in some cases never will because they are dead. Murray Rothbard is one of these.



CHARLEY REESE

But he still lives in his writings, and I'm happy to recommend a collection of his essays.

The book is "The Irrepressible Rothbard." The publisher is The Center for Libertarian Studies Inc. These are essays from the incendiary Rothbard-Rockwell Report published by the Von Mises Institute. Lew Rockwell, a fine essayist himself, writes an affectionate introduction.

For sure, Murray Rothbard is an improbable figure. As Rothbard himself says:

"I joined the Old Right in 1946. I grew up in New York City in the 1930s in the midst of what can only be called a communist culture. As middle-class Jews

in New York, my relatives, friends, classmates and neighbors faced only one great moral decision in their lives: should they join the Communist Party and devote 100 percent of their lives to the cause; or should they remain fellow travelers and devote only a fraction of their lives?"

Rothbard's father, however, was the exception. A great individualist, strongly anti-communist and anti-socialist, he produced fruit that fell so close to the tree it rolled down the bark of the trunk. Hence, by the time Rothbard got to Columbia University, he was one of only two Republicans on the entire campus.

For his whole life until his death in 1995, Rothbard remained a faithful defender of liberty and a thorn in the sides of its enemies, both in his academic writing and in his journalistic articles. What's so great about Rothbard is not only his sound principles and insight, but his fearlessness.

Listen to his descriptions of various politicians: "Gore and Clinton is the

most toadying pro-Israel presidential ticket in recent history."

"Newt Gingrich is a Big Government man to his toes, a long-time champion of Franklin Roosevelt, the New Deal and the Welfare State."

"Bob Dole is bitter and sardonic, sellout and statist in content; snarling and bitter in form."

"The anti-Thomas (Justice Clarence Thomas) Democrats were an odious lot. Most repellent was that gas-bag Joseph Biden. Senator Leahy reminded one of a Vermont village sneak, the snitch who reports his classmates to authorities; Kennedy was ... ugh, Kennedy. Metzenbaum was an ugly ferret-faced embodiment of evil tempered by confusion."

Rothbard is clearly of the old school, where truth is valued because it's true, where catering to the rich and powerful is repugnant, where one defends the good and true, and flat-out condemns the false and evil.

You will be informed and amused by this book. Rothbard is especially talented at dissecting the

phony neoconservatives who have poisoned the whole movement.

We would all do well to emulate Rothbard's courage (he pans the movie "Schindler's List" for being fiction squared and refers to Barbra Streisand as "ugly and talentless.")

While Rothbard made tactical changes depending on the circumstances, he never changed his principles, and his measuring rod was always: Does this advance or retard liberty?

Rothbard recognized that the present decadent culture with its phony multiculturalism will lead inevitably to a socialistic, authoritarian state. It is indeed a cultural war, and those who value liberty will find they have no sanctuary.

The war is not only at their doorstep. It is in their living room.

Rothbard, however, was always optimistic and never lost his faith that, in the end, truth and goodness and freedom will triumph. It's that optimism and humor that set him apart. He's still a man worth knowing.



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Efforts under way to recover victims' bodies from helicopter crash

WAILUKU, Hawaii (AP) — Rescue crews began the grim and dangerous task Saturday of retrieving the bodies of seven people killed when a tour helicopter crashed on a steep mountain hillside.

A 10-man crew was set to rappel down from the helicopter to a ridge and then set new lines to rappel to the site at the 2,700-foot level.

"There's no place a helicopter can land, so the men

are rappelling down," said Lt. John Morioka, a spokesman for the Maui Police Department.

The crash Friday of the Blue Hawaiian Helicopters twin-engine AS355 occurred in a remote area of Iao Valley on Maui. Photos of the scene show the tail section intact but the rest of the helicopter disintegrated into pieces.

The crash site has a deep slope of about 30 degrees, and is a wet and slick area,

making it difficult for crews to gain access. Among the recovery team are a master rappeller and crews who take part in eradicating marijuana from remote areas.

Identifies of the victims won't be released until the bodies are positively identified by the Maui County medical examiner's office, Morioka said. Families of six of the victims, said to be tourists, have been notified and some are already on the

island, he said. Richard Sword, a Maui psychologist handling disaster stress control for the families of victims, told local media the passengers included two teen-age girls from Texas and a father and his three children.

The recovery operation likely will extend to Sunday. "It's going to take a while because of the terrain," Morioka said.

An investigator from the National Transportation

Safety Board is on Maui to look into the crash, which occurred during a 35-minute sightseeing tour of the West Maui mountains. The investigator, George Petterson, said he expects to issue a preliminary report in about five days.

The pilot was a Vietnam veteran with more than 11,000 hours of flight time and had been with the company more than a year, said Patti Chevalier, co-owner of the company with her hus-

band, Dave, a former Vietnam scout pilot.

This is the first accident involving a Blue Hawaiian tour helicopter since the company began operations in 1985.

It was Hawaii's third notable aircraft crash in 11 months. On Sept. 25, a tour plane crashed on the slopes of Mauna Loa, killing all 10 people on board. On May 10, a private jet slammed into a hillside, killing all six people on board.

Report contends EPA acknowledged shelving 1982 asbestos study

NEW YORK (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency is investigating why officials ignored for 18 years a study that showed W.R. Grace and Co. was using ore laden with asbestos in insulation and other building products, The New York Times reported Saturday.

The agency shelved a 1982 study which found alarming levels of cancer-causing asbestos in ore that Grace had said included harmless amounts of the material, The Times said it was told

by EPA officials. The agency also scuttled follow-up studies and continued to accept the company's lower figures, the officials said.

As a result, Grace, a maker of specialty chemicals and building materials, was allowed to largely avoid government scrutiny and use the ore in products, like fireproofing, that the company promoted as asbestos-free, the newspaper said.

In 1983, an agency official misrepresented the report and downplayed its findings

in responding to congressional inquiries about the level of asbestos in the ore, known as vermiculite, the officials told the newspaper.

The report resurfaced after the EPA began an investigation in December into a health crisis at Libby, Mont., where Grace mined vermiculite until 1990. Workers and residents there have died and are dying from lung disease at rates far above the national average.

The report, letters and

other records have been sent to the EPA inspector general, who plans to begin an inquiry on Monday, the officials said.

"We don't ask our inspector general to do an investigation lightly," said Steve Johnson, deputy assistant administrator of the office of prevention, pesticides and toxic substances. "We want to know precisely what did happen."

The widely used fireproofing materials, as well as attic insulation and other

products, largely remain in thousands of homes and offices.

But the health risks are unclear, because it is not known how much asbestos may be present in the products.

Grace said it had tried to remove as much asbestos as possible during processing, and contended that the products contained only trace amounts of asbestos.

EPA officials are advising homeowners to call the agency for more informa-

tion if they are concerned that they may have Grace's loose-fill insulation, known as Zonolite, which it sold until 1984.

On Friday, Grace officials did not dispute the 1982 EPA report, but said their own studies have consistently shown much smaller amounts of asbestos.

Grace has maintained that its products contain only trace amounts of asbestos, far below the 1 percent level at which the EPA restricts its use.

Middle East summit approaches 13-day standard

THURMONT, Md. (AP) — When the first Middle East summit at Camp David took place almost 22 years ago, it took 13 days of marathon negotiations to achieve a breakthrough.

That landmark is being passed today in the Israeli-Palestinian summit at Camp David.

It is no surprise to some analysts that if a breakthrough is to occur, it will be a close call.

"Camp David I was a real test case," said David Schenker of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy. "That was an easy one."

In 1978, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat were joined by President Carter at Camp David.

On the 13th day, they came down from the moun-

taintop retreat to announce a deal under which Egypt recovered the Sinai Peninsula from Israel in exchange for Egyptian recognition of Israel. The two sides signed a peace treaty six months later, changing forever the political landscape of the region.

As Schenker and other analysts point out, the current negotiation involving Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak is far more complicated. As an example, the debate over Sinai lacked the Muslim vs. Jewish divide at the center of the negotiations over Jerusalem.

Schenker sees little room for optimism even if the negotiators go well beyond the 13-day standard established at Camp David. "There is a consistency on both sides which can't live with compromise," he

said.

Judith Kipper, of the Council on Foreign Relations, said she sees room for hope but only if President Clinton takes the initiative when he returns Sunday night from the economic summit meeting in Japan.

"The best negotiator is the president himself," she said. "His team has been primarily tactical. Now it is time for a strategic vision. ... This is the president of the United States. His persuasive powers are limitless."

Negotiations slowed Saturday because of the Jewish Sabbath. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was meeting with Arafat, and there were informal discussions of core issues. The lack of a set agenda was in keeping with the parties' religious obligations. Kipper said it mattered lit-

tle that the two sides failed to agree during marathon negotiations before Clinton's departure for Japan last week.

She said there was nothing substantive to require the talks to end. The decision to continue the talks has enabled the parties to "flesh out the issues and know each other's limitations," she said.

Edward Djerejian, a former ambassador to Israel and Syria, sees a potentially catastrophic outcome if the negotiations collapse and are followed by "action and reaction" by the two rivals.

Djerejian, director of the Baker Institute for Public Policy at Rice University in Houston, said that could happen if Arafat were to keep his promise to declare a Palestinian state in September and Israel responded by annexing Palestinian territory.

Progress, setbacks in decade of disabilities law

WASHINGTON (AP) — Going to the doctor always was a hassle for Kelsey Brick. Just to get his ailments diagnosed, Brick, who was born deaf, would have to wait for his doctor to scribble questions on paper.

That changed July 26, 1990, when President Bush signed the Americans With Disabilities Act, the landmark law to advance the rights of people with disabilities.

Now, Brick's doctor has a sign-language interpreter on hand to provide better communication with the Greenbelt, Md., attorney.

"It (the ADA) has made society more accessible," Brick said in a recent interview. "I and my deaf and hard-of-hearing friends are becoming attorneys, doctors, engineers, scientists and business executives."

This week, as the 10th anniversary of the disabili-

ties law is observed, many are reflecting on how it has changed the face of America, even amid numerous court challenges.

Many of the changes are so common they have become part of the woodwork: Parking lots at shopping malls have reserved spots for the disabled, bathrooms are often equipped for wheelchair access, elevators feature braille floor numbers or audio assistance.

Other changes are more subtle, but they, too, are changing the lives of the disabled.

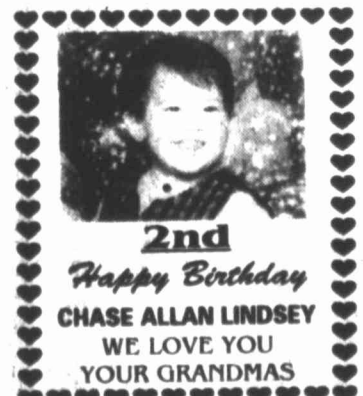
On Friday, the Federal Communications Commission ordered telecommunication carriers

to install 711 as a universal dialing code to contact special operators to relay messages between people with speech or hearing disabilities and other callers.

Such services already allow Brick to phone home from the mall and let his wife know he will be late for dinner. When he awakes in the morning, he can watch television with the help of closed captioning.

Even his city government is more accessible. Brick can now attend a town meeting with ease because the ADA ensures an interpreter will be there to communicate with him.

"I just see people with disabilities more and more," said Curt Decker, executive



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Tom believes a practitioner should be genuinely concerned for a patient's welfare and that there must be honest communication between them. He is married with two children. He is active in church and enjoys outdoor activities.

Appointments are currently being taken call 267-1014.

New moon discovered

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Astronomers at the University of Arizona and their Massachusetts colleagues say they have found a 17th moon orbiting Jupiter.

If confirmed, the 3-mile-diameter moon would be the smallest known satellite of a major planet and the first Jovian moon discovered in 21 years.

"It's exciting. When you realize that you were the first person to lay eyes on something that had not been seen before, that's kind of a good feeling," University of Arizona astronomer Jeff Larsen, who made the first observations of the moon in October, said in Saturday's Arizona Daily Star.

Larsen works with the university's Spacewatch project, which uses a 79-year-old Kitt Peak telescope to survey the solar system for comets and asteroids.

The group usually avoids the region around Jupiter because the solar system's

largest planet is bright, and reflected light can swamp the telescope's sensitive electronic detectors. But last October, Spacewatch observer Jim Scotti started a search for undiscovered Jovian moons.

When Jupiter was less than 370 million miles from Earth — about as close to our planet as it gets during its 12-year journey around the sun — the observers found what appeared to be a tiny moon.

The group contacted the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory in Cambridge, Mass., and scientists there analyzed the data and reached the same conclusion.

The search was spurred by the May 1999 discovery of an 18th moon circling Uranus. That find was made by another University of Arizona researcher, Erich Karkoschka, who reviewed 13-year-old pictures from the Voyager 2 spacecraft.

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You can take the girl out of Louisiana

If you're old enough to remember when all Barbie dolls looked alike and were not molded in the image of girl rock stars, you'd certainly notice that Kentwood — pop singer Britney Spears' hometown — shares its exit off I-55 near the Mississippi line with another little Louisiana town called Liverpool.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

And, for geriatrics, there's a touch of irony in that. Liverpool is a place name that conjures up four other teen idols who made music history.

Ah, but that was yesterday. This is today. And Britney Spears is today. I'll admit blissful ignorance of what she sings about, and how.

But I looked it up on the Internet — the today way to do things — and found that even Rolling Stone magazine has trouble defining Britney: "Is Spears bubble-gum jailbait, jaded crossover diva or malleable Stepford teen? Who knows?"

Certainly not I. But I found it interesting that the Louisiana burg where she cut her first bright teeth,

sang her first song, aced her first gymnastics floor exercise, is planning in 2001 to open a museum about her life.

She has lived 18 years. But she's packed a lot into them.

Back, for a moment, to Liverpool's has-been Beatles. I ask docent Hazel Morris at the Kentwood Historical & Cultural Arts Museum if she thinks Britney will ever be as big as the Liverpool lads.

"She already is," Hazel Morris says, no hesitation, no qualification.

What's more: "Britney's never gotten what you'd call 'snooty.' She'll stop when she's in town and say, 'Hi! How are y'all doing?' And when people interview her on TV, she still says 'Yes, ma'am' and 'No, sir.' She can influence a lot of young people."

I found the museum by stopping at the beauty shop one block over, on the main street in this home of the Dairy Festival, population 2,500. (Britney is not listed as a past Dairy Festival Queen, by the way, though a cartoon cow on the festival brochure proudly moos: "Britney Drinks Milk.")

Shaded by Bradford pear trees and full of empty storefronts, Kentwood seems a pleasantly quiet place from which to be catapulted to major stardom. Lots of bargain bins. A huge farmers' cooperative. On the door of the *Kentwood News-Ledger* this

note: "Out of office. If you need to leave something for the paper, slide it under the door."

On a recent Saturday all is quiet — except for the bustling beauty shop. I plow through a fog of hair spray and ask a stylist if she knows where the Britney Spears Museum will be.

"Where are they going to put Britney?" the woman hollers out over the roar of blow-dryers. Nobody seems certain where Britney is to be enshrined, but another operator — who never stops snipping — suggests I ask at the Kentwood Museum.

Pay dirt. Half of the existing Kentwood Museum soon will be devoted to the life and times of Britney. But right now, it is mostly a military exhibit (from World War II to Desert Storm). Britney's maternal grandfather, Barney Bridges, is a small handsome mug on the wall full of World War II veterans.

"Britney has an English grandmother, you know," Hazel says. Bridges' war bride.

For Hazel Morris' money, the most interesting item in the museum — which early next year will display the necklace Britney wore in a Mardi Gras parade, her "Star Search" dresses and stuff from her stint on the Mickey Mouse Club — is a courting candle. Hazel shows me how it works.

The parents of a young lady receiving gentleman callers could raise or lower

the candle, depending on how much time they wanted to allow the courtship. A relic from the days when parents had control. A far cry from now. (Even in cozy, kudzu-y Kentwood, the front-page articles were about sexually transmitted diseases and how to control nude dance halls.)

Maybe that explains Britney's appeal. According to Rolling Stone, teen spending power has "put a perky new beat on the pop charts, where the devotional vapors of boy bands have vanquished the rolling rock angst of the early to mid-nineties. 'N Sync, Backstreet Boys and 98 Degrees are now choking on dust from the high-stapin' heels of Miss Britney Spears."

And that, of course, begets anti-Britney cults, a dozen or more that have Web sites and names like "Puke Princess" and "The BS about BS."

Meanwhile, our Britney likes days at the beach and reading romance novels. She is building a new house in Kentwood. Everyone here says she remembers her roots and her manners. Her mother, Lynne, teaches in a country school called Spring Creek, and the museum folk feel sure Britney will make it home for the grand reopening.

All this must give hope to every soccer-and-stage mom who ever chauffeured a child to tap and jazz and sewed a sequin on a tutu.



Rothbard remains a man worth knowing

I love a number of people whom I've never met and in some cases never will because they are dead. Murray Rothbard is one of these.



CHARLEY REESE

But he still lives in his writings, and I'm happy to recommend a collection of his essays.

The book is "The Irrepressible Rothbard." The publisher is The Center for Libertarian Studies Inc. These are essays from the incendiary Rothbard-Rockwell Report published by the Von Mises Institute. Lew Rockwell, a fine essayist himself, writes an affectionate introduction.

For sure, Murray Rothbard is an improbable figure. As Rothbard himself says: "I joined the Old Right in 1946. I grew up in New York City in the 1930s in the midst of what can only be called a communist culture. As middle-class Jews

in New York, my relatives, friends, classmates and neighbors faced only one great moral decision in their lives: should they join the Communist Party and devote 100 percent of their lives to the cause; or should they remain fellow travelers and devote only a fraction of their lives?"

Rothbard's father, however, was the exception. A great individualist, strongly anti-communist and anti-socialist, he produced fruit that fell so close to the tree it rolled down the bark of the trunk. Hence, by the time Rothbard got to Columbia University, he was one of only two Republicans on the entire campus.

For his whole life until his death in 1995, Rothbard remained a faithful defender of liberty and a thorn in the sides of its enemies, both in his academic writing and in his journalistic articles. What's so great about Rothbard is not only his sound principles and insight, but his fearlessness.

Listen to his descriptions of various politicians: "Gore and Clinton is the most toadying pro-Israel presidential ticket in recent history."

"Newt Gingrich is a Big Government man to his toes, a long-time champion of Franklin Roosevelt, the New Deal and the Welfare State."

"Bob Dole is bitter and sardonic, sellout and statist in content; snarling and bitter in form."

"The anti-Thomas (Justice Clarence Thomas) Democrats were an odious lot. Most repellant was that gas-bag Joseph Biden. Senator Leahy reminded one of a Vermont village sneak, the snitch who reports his classmates to authorities; Kennedy was ... ugh, Kennedy. Metzenbaum was an ugly ferret-faced embodiment of evil tempered by confusion."

Rothbard is clearly of the old school, where truth is valued because it's true, where catering to the rich and powerful is repugnant, where one defends the good and true, and flat-out condemns the false and evil. You will be informed and amused by this book. Rothbard is especially talented at dissecting the

phony neoconservatives who have poisoned the whole movement.

We would all do well to emulate Rothbard's courage (he pans the movie "Schindler's List" for being fiction squared and refers to Barbra Streisand as "ugly and talentless.")

While Rothbard made tactical changes depending on the circumstances, he never changed his principles, and his measuring rod was always: Does this advance or retard liberty?

Rothbard recognized that the present decadent culture with its phony multiculturalism will lead inevitably to a socialistic, authoritarian state. It is indeed a cultural war, and those who value liberty will find they have no sanctuary.

The war is not only at their doorstep. It is in their living room. Rothbard, however, was always optimistic and never lost his faith that, in the end, truth and goodness and freedom will triumph. It's that optimism and humor that set him apart. He's still a man worth knowing.

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Efforts under way to recover victims' bodies from helicopter crash

WAILUKU, Hawaii (AP) — Rescue crews began the grim and dangerous task Saturday of retrieving the bodies of seven people killed when a tour helicopter crashed on a steep mountain hillside.

A 10-man crew was set to rappel down from the helicopter to a ridge and then set new lines to rappel to the site at the 2,700-foot level.

"There's no place a helicopter can land, so the men

are rappelling down," said Lt. John Morioka, a spokesman for the Maui Police Department.

The crash Friday of the Blue Hawaiian Helicopters twin-engine AS355 occurred in a remote area of Iao Valley on Maui. Photos of the scene show the tail section intact but the rest of the helicopter disintegrated into pieces.

The crash site has a deep slope of about 30 degrees, and is a wet and slick area,

making it difficult for crews to gain access. Among the recovery team are a master rappeller and crews who take part in eradicating marijuana from remote areas.

Identifies of the victims won't be released until the bodies are positively identified by the Maui County medical examiner's office, Morioka said. Families of six of the victims, said to be tourists, have been notified and some are already on the

island, he said.

Richard Sword, a Maui psychologist handling disaster stress control for the families of victims, told local media the passengers included two teen-age girls from Texas and a father and his three children.

The recovery operation likely will extend to Sunday. "It's going to take a while because of the terrain," Morioka said.

An investigator from the National Transportation

Safety Board is on Maui to look into the crash, which occurred during a 35-minute sightseeing tour of the West Maui mountains. The investigator, George Petterson, said he expects to issue a preliminary report in about five days.

The pilot was a Vietnam veteran with more than 11,000 hours of flight time and had been with the company more than a year, said Patti Chevalier, co-owner of the company with her hus-

band, Dave, a former Vietnam scout pilot.

This is the first accident involving a Blue Hawaiian tour helicopter since the company began operations in 1985.

It was Hawaii's third notable aircraft crash in 11 months. On Sept. 25, a tour plane crashed on the slopes of Mauna Loa, killing all 10 people on board. On May 10, a private jet slammed into a hillside, killing all six people on board.

Report contends EPA acknowledged shelving 1982 asbestos study

NEW YORK (AP) — The Environmental Protection Agency is investigating why officials ignored for 18 years a study that showed W.R. Grace and Co. was using ore laden with asbestos in insulation and other building products, The New York Times reported Saturday.

The agency shelved a 1982 study which found alarming levels of cancer-causing asbestos in ore that Grace had said included harmless amounts of the material, The Times said it was told

by EPA officials. The agency also scuttled follow-up studies and continued to accept the company's lower figures, the officials said.

As a result, Grace, a maker of specialty chemicals and building materials, was allowed to largely avoid government scrutiny and use the ore in products, like fireproofing, that the company promoted as asbestos-free, the newspaper said.

In 1983, an agency official misrepresented the report and downplayed its findings

in responding to congressional inquiries about the level of asbestos in the ore, known as vermiculite, the officials told the newspaper.

The report resurfaced after the EPA began an investigation in December into a health crisis at Libby, Mont., where Grace mined vermiculite until 1990. Workers and residents there have died and are dying from lung disease at rates far above the national average.

The report, letters and

other records have been sent to the EPA inspector general, who plans to begin an inquiry on Monday, the officials said.

"We don't ask our inspector general to do an investigation lightly," said Steve Johnson, deputy assistant administrator of the office of prevention, pesticides and toxic substances. "We want to know precisely what did happen."

The widely used fireproofing materials, as well as attic insulation and other

products, largely remain in thousands of homes and offices.

But the health risks are unclear, because it is not known how much asbestos may be present in the products.

Grace said it had tried to remove as much asbestos as possible during processing, and contended that the products contained only trace amounts of asbestos.

EPA officials are advising homeowners to call the agency for more informa-

tion if they are concerned that they may have Grace's loose-fill insulation, known as Zonolite, which it sold until 1984.

On Friday, Grace officials did not dispute the 1982 EPA report, but said their own studies have consistently shown much smaller amounts of asbestos.

Grace has maintained that its products contain only trace amounts of asbestos, far below the 1 percent level at which the EPA restricts its use.

Middle East summit approaches 13-day standard

THURMONT, Md. (AP) — When the first Middle East summit at Camp David took place almost 22 years ago, it took 13 days of marathon negotiations to achieve a breakthrough.

That landmark is being passed today in the Israeli-Palestinian summit at Camp David.

It is no surprise to some analysts that if a breakthrough is to occur, it will in all likelihood take longer this time.

"Camp David I was a real estate deal," said David Schenker of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy. "That was an easy one."

In 1978, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat were joined by President Carter at Camp David.

On the 13th day, they came down from the moun-

taintop retreat to announce a deal under which Egypt recovered the Sinai Peninsula from Israel in exchange for Egyptian recognition of Israel. The two sides signed a peace treaty six months later, changing forever the political landscape of the region.

As Schenker and other analysts point out, the current negotiation involving Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak is far more complicated. As an example, the debate over Sinai lacked the Muslim vs. Jewish divide at the center of the negotiations over Jerusalem.

Schenker sees little room for optimism even if the negotiators go well beyond the 13-day standard established at Camp David. "There is a conspiracy on both sides which can't live with compromise," he

said. Judith Kipper, of the Council on Foreign Relations, said she sees room for hope but only if President Clinton takes the initiative when he returns Sunday night from the economic summit meeting in Japan.

"The best negotiator is the president himself," she said. "His team has been primarily tactical. Now it is time for a strategic vision. ... This is the president of the United States. His persuasive powers are limitless."

Negotiations slowed Saturday because of the Jewish Sabbath. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was meeting with Arafat, and there were informal discussions of core issues. The lack of a set agenda was "in keeping with the parties' religious obligations." Kipper said it mattered lit-

tle that the two sides failed to agree during marathon negotiations before Clinton's departure for Japan last week.

She said there was nothing substantive to require the talks to end. The decision to continue the talks has enabled the parties to "flesh out the issues and know each other's limitations," she said.

Edward Djerejian, a former ambassador to Israel and Syria, sees a potentially catastrophic outcome if the negotiations collapse and are followed by "action and reaction" by the two rivals.

Djerejian, director of the Baker Institute for Public Policy at Rice University in Houston, said that could happen if Arafat were to keep his promise to declare a Palestinian state in September and Israel responded by annexing Palestinian territory.

Progress, setbacks in decade of disabilities law

WASHINGTON (AP) — Going to the doctor always was a hassle for Kelby Brick. Just to get his ailments diagnosed, Brick, who was born deaf, would have to wait for his doctor to scribble questions on paper.

That changed July 26, 1990, when President Bush signed the Americans With Disabilities Act, the landmark law to advance the rights of people with disabilities.

Now, Brick's doctor has a sign-language interpreter on hand to provide better communication with the Greenbelt, Md., attorney.

"It (the ADA) has made society more accessible," Brick said in a recent interview. "I and my deaf and hard-of-hearing friends are becoming attorneys, doctors, engineers, scientists and business executives."

This week, as the 10th anniversary of the disabili-

ties law is observed, many are reflecting on how it has changed the face of America, even amid numerous court challenges.

Many of the changes are so common they have become part of the woodwork: Parking lots at shopping malls have reserved spots for the disabled, bathrooms are often equipped for wheelchair access, elevators feature braille floor numbers or audio assistance.

Other changes are more subtle, but they, too, are changing the lives of the disabled.

On Friday, the Federal Communications Commission ordered telecommunication carriers

to install 711 as a universal dialing code to contact special operators to relay messages between people with speech or hearing disabilities and other callers.

Such services already allow Brick to phone home from the mall and let his wife know he will be late for dinner. When he awakes in the morning, he can watch television with the help of closed captioning.

Even his city government is more accessible. Brick can now attend a town meeting with ease because the ADA ensures an interpreter will be there to communicate with him.

"I just see people with disabilities more and more," said Curt Decker, executive

director of the National Association of Protection Advocacy Systems and one of those who worked on passage of the law. "Because the malls are accessible and parking places are accessible, ... people are out."

Just last weekend, runner Marla Runyan became the first blind athlete to qualify for a U.S. Olympic team. Theresa Uchytel, the current Miss Iowa, was born without a left hand and has adopted the slogan: "Americans with disabilities, think ability."

New moon discovered

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Astronomers at the University of Arizona and their Massachusetts colleagues say they have found a 17th moon orbiting Jupiter.

If confirmed, the 3-mile-diameter moon would be the smallest known satellite of a major planet and the first Jovian moon discovered in 21 years.

"It's exciting. When you realize that you were the first person to lay eyes on something that had not been seen before, that's kind of a good feeling," University of Arizona astronomer Jeff Larsen, who made the first observations of the moon in October, said in Saturday's Arizona Daily Star.

Larsen works with the university's Spacewatch project, which uses a 79-year-old Kitt Peak telescope to survey the solar system for comets and asteroids.

The group usually avoids the region around Jupiter because the solar system's

largest planet is bright, and reflected light can swamp the telescope's sensitive electronic detectors. But last October, Spacewatch observer Jim Scotti started a search for undiscovered Jovian moons.

When Jupiter was less than 370 million miles from Earth — about as close to our planet as it gets during its 12-year journey around the sun — the observers found what appeared to be a tiny moon.

The group contacted the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory in Cambridge, Mass., and scientists there analyzed the data and reached the same conclusion.

The search was spurred by the May 1999 discovery of an 18th moon circling Uranus. That find was made by another University of Arizona researcher, Erich Karkoschka, who reviewed 13-year-old pictures from the Voyager 2 spacecraft.

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HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, July 23: You're in the limelight this year, and you enjoy it! Career matters come to the forefront. You grow and gain. You often find that those you have partnerships with act unpredictably. Stay level and even, and assess each situa-

tion for what it means. You might decide to terminate a relationship that no longer functions. Your energy allows you to take on more. You are a living dynamo. If single, you might not be up for committing, but you meet someone very special. Don't make decisions this year. If you are attached,

the two of you need to air out some problems in order to start relating more effectively. You can do it. ARIES prods you to perform. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult. ARIES (March 21-April 19)

***** Your wit and personality magnetize those around you. Another jolts you, but he gets a surprise as well. Follow spontaneity, even though you might hear fiery words from a family member. Calm this person down; he doesn't have your spunk. Tonight: It's your call!
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
*** Plan on a quiet day at home, but don't be surprised by another's effort to draw you into other plans. Be flattered, but know that you don't have to join in. Someone you put on a pedestal could test your limits. Don't lose your temper. Stay cool and collected. Tonight: Do your own thing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** Curb your temper, or rather choose how you express your irritation. You want the most effective way of communicating. Others behave in odd ways. You need to adjust, as you aren't changing them. Understand what is happening with them. Expect animated discussions. Tonight: Try a new restaurant.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** Another makes an overture to which it is nearly impossible to say no. Why would you want to? It appears that someone has a vested interest in what you do and in your choices. Listen to another carefully. Read between the lines. Remember who is living your life. Tonight: Opt for cozy.

Though you might not have a problem with your actions, another clearly does, and he will let you know in no uncertain terms. You don't need to react. Rather, calmly emphasize the difference between the two of you. Tonight: Help another feel more secure.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
*** Just when you think everyone is amicable, you find out otherwise. Another clearly won't hesitate to do whatever is necessary to get what he wants. Pull back and look at what is happening. Now is as good a time as ever to put your foot down. Tonight: Avoid a hassle.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
**** You are who you are, but sometimes you might want to change yourself. Consider another's feelings before taking a strong action. You could easily wear yourself out doing your own thing. Listen to a loved one carefully. Tonight: Challenge a friend to a favorite game of ball.

Woman's claims on husband clash with those of his wife

DEAR ABBY: I met a really nice guy at a child's birthday party. About a week later we ran into each other at a museum. We talked and exchanged e-mail addresses. A week later I e-mailed him and the conversations began. I found out he was unhappily married.

Last weekend, he told her he couldn't pick up the children on Friday night because he had "other plans." When he arrived at his apartment, she was sitting in the parking lot and insisted he take the children. He refused; she became angry and violent. He did not pick up the children that evening, but picked them up bright and early Saturday morning. What do you think is best for everyone involved? — HIS FRIEND IN VIRGINIA

DEAR ASTONISHED: Unless the man who made the marriage proposal was one of the waiters, it's safe to assume that the grieving widow and the suitor are well acquainted. Have you never heard of a "match made in heaven"? If you are truly her friends, try to be less judgmental and happier for her.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
**** Friends seek you out. Take off. Accept an invitation that might be very different from your normal thing. Review recent decisions that involve money. Another might be encouraging you to go overboard. Think carefully before digging yourself in deeper. You make the right choice. Tonight: Do what you want! This week: Maintain a low profile and watch while others scurry around putting out fires. From Wednesday on, the planets empower you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Recognize the pros and cons of a difficult situation. A parent or someone in charge makes demands that simply might not suit you. If single, a new friend could sweep you off your feet. If attached, let the natural heat between you boil forth. Tonight: Ever social!
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
**** Sometimes nice and easy works. Pressure builds, and you might question a choice you are making. Perhaps summer plans prove to be overwhelming on some level. Keeping your life and home together becomes the ultimate priority. Say no to an invitation. You will be happier in the long run. Tonight: Barbecue.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
**** Expenses soar. You might have difficulty keeping the lid on what you want. Another has strong feelings about what works. You realize how much this person dominates you. Think through actions rather than acting impulsively. Follow your intuition. Tonight: Your treat.
BORN TODAY
Former White House intern Monica Lewinsky (1973), talk-show host Don Imus (1940), Supreme Court Justice Anthony M. Kennedy (1936)

We continued to e-mail each other. During every conversation, he told me how much he wanted to remove himself from his marriage; however, he didn't want to leave his children. He asked several times to take me to lunch or dinner. Because he was married, I refused.



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DEAR FRIEND: Right now, your new friend is in "no man's land." He's not exactly married, but he's not free either. What's best for everyone involved? Marriage counseling for the man and his wife to see if they can resolve their differences. If they can't be resolved, then a divorce.

DEAR HAPPY: I like her sense of humor. Apparently your "Queen Mother" recognized a prince when she saw one.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
*** You spark when others push your buttons. A must appearance might be necessary, but it will send plans into the trash. You might not be sure what is best to do with a loved one or partner. Discuss this issue thoroughly and follow this person's wishes. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
**** You understand adventure and risk. Right now, you are up for it.

Then last January, he asked if he could take me out for my birthday. I agreed to lunch. We had a wonderful two hours, and I kissed him at the end of lunch. What a great kiss it was! In March, he moved out of their home and into his own place. Then he filed for legal separation. (I saw the paper with both signatures.)

As for you, keep your distance and stay out of the line of fire. He may be separated, but he's still a married man. If you're looking for a future with him, it could be years — and a lot of frustration and heartache — away.

DEAR ABBY: What do you think of a woman who accepts a marriage proposal at her deceased fourth husband's memorial luncheon? And are we, her circle of friends, wrong to be shocked, scandalized and disapproving of this? She says it's "God's will." Does God run a dating service? Please advise. — ASTONISHED IN GARDEN CITY, ARIZ.

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Over the past month, our communication has declined. He's exhausted from working two jobs and spending every non-working moment with the children. He says repeatedly that he wants us to continue seeing each other, but he no longer has the time to see me or even e-mail me. Frankly, I don't see his wife changing her pattern anytime soon.

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Where would you rather spend your summer vacation?

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Howard County fall baseball meeting set

All persons in Howard County interested in learning more about a fall baseball program for children aged 8-14 are asked to attend a meeting Tuesday, July 25, at 7 p.m. at the National League Ball Field on Driver Road (Country Club Road).

It will include the following leagues, Coahoma, Big Spring American, Big Spring International, Big Spring National and Teen Age.

Anyone needing more information may contact Paul Gibbs at (915) 263-1976.

Coahoma Basketball Camp scheduled

The Coahoma Basketball Camp is set to run from Wednesday through Friday.

The camp is open to both boys and girls entering from third through ninth grade. The camp will run from 9 a.m.-noon and again from 1-4 p.m. all three days.

The morning session is for those entering third through sixth grade and the afternoon session is for those entering seventh through ninth grade.

Cost of the camp is \$30 and registration takes place during the first day of the event.

For more information, please call Terry Hopkins at 268-9490.

Ragball Tournament set for August

An International Little League ragball tournament is set for Stanton August 4 and 5.

Signups are Aug. 4 at 6 p.m. and the first game is set for 7 p.m. The cost is \$10 per player.

For more information, please call any one of three, Denise at (915) 756-2841, Raymond at (915) 263-3811 or Delbert at (915) 263-2631.

Big Spring CC to host Guys and Gals event

Big Spring Country Club will be hosting a Guys and Gals golf tournament Aug. 12 and 13.

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Big Spring 'seven' team takes tenth in state

By JOHN HASSELMEIER
Sports Editor

COLLEGE STATION — Being ranked in the top 10 in the state when all is said and done is an accomplishment to be remembered fondly.

That's the story of the Big Spring seven-on-seven football team, which ended up there after losing to Class 5A powerhouse Katy, 28-7.

"They had a great summer," Big Spring head football coach Dwight Butler said. "I want to thank the parents for their community and support. We're now starting the real deal."

Before that loss to the

Tigers, which reached the state championship game in their class in one form or another the past three seasons, there was plenty of winning.

That started in pool play Friday. Competing in Pool "C", Big Spring found itself in company with Class 5A Klein, Class 4A Belton and Class 2A Lone Oak.

Klein was up first. Last season, the Bearkats went to the second round of the Class 5A, Division I playoffs last year, but the Steers weren't impressed as they took down the Houston-area foe, 28-13.

Next up was Lone Oak, northeast of Dallas in Hunt

County. The Buffaloes lost in the bi-district round of the Class 2A, Division II playoffs last season and ended up falling to Big Spring by the score of 28-21.

Finally, Belton was due up. The Tigers, located just south of Temple, reached the second round of the playoffs last year in Class 4A, Division I, but the Steers were less-than-impressed with this bunch as well and sent them down to the canvas by a pretty convincing 27-0 score.

Winning that pool qualified Big Spring for the round of 32 Saturday. Brady, a Class 3A school that reached the Division II

playoffs last year. Big Spring won the battle of black-and-gold schools as it won a 30-12 decision to reach the next round.

However, Katy awaited in the next round. The Harris County school sported some impressive credentials. Three years ago, they won the Class 5A, Division I championship. Two years ago, they would have faced Midland Lee for the Class 5A, Division II title, but were disqualified because of an ineligible player.

Last year, they reached the Class 5A, Division II championship game and even got up early on Garland only to see the

Owls come back and take the title back to Dallas County.

Apparently, Katy is pretty good in seven-on-seven as well because the Tigers ended Big Spring's campaign at 20-4.

The roster for that state tournament consisted of Dustin Beauchamp, Joseph Bumblis, Shane Burt, Bowe Butler, Tye Butler, Jason Choate, Sam Gray, Ronnie Johnson, Brandon Mendoza, Willis Morrison, Aaron Olague, Jaroe Parnell, Mike Smith, Larry Thompson, Kylan Wegner, Clarence Wilkins and Curtis Woodruff. Mark Choate served as the head coach.



The Big Spring Crossroads girls basketball team is shown rallying around coach Charlie Hall shortly before the team played Colorado City in the recent Crossroads Tournament. Big Spring did beat CC, but then lost in the finals to Greenwood in the championship.

Big Spring tennis team hopes to stay 'on Corse'

By JOHN HASSELMEIER
Sports Editor

Sarah Corse has been in Big Spring so long that when she arrived in town, the Steers were still battling Class 5A competition in district play.



CORSE

However, this year will see a change in her duties and responsibilities as she will serve as the head tennis coach at Big Spring High School. She comes up after a lengthy tenure as an assistant as well as the junior high coach and replaces Leon Dulin, who retired after last season.

"I'm looking forward to it," Corse said. "I'm kind of excited and maybe nervous, but I'm kind of excited because it's gonna be different from what I've been doing the last couple of years. It's something new."

Corse, who started out life as Sarah Stewart, is a native of Fort Stockton and graduated from there in 1977. She played on the Prowler tennis team.

"I've always liked sports," Corse said. "I grew up with three brothers, so sports was definitely in our house. I was the only sister. If I didn't like sports, I was left out, so I learned to like sports at an early age."

She then went on to college at Angelo State. During her time in college, she met a guy named Eddy Corse. Not too before she graduated from ASU, she became Sarah Corse. They have two children, Jamie is 16 and Gene is 13.

Corse graduated from Angelo State University with a degree in physical education with a minor in history in 1981.

"I enjoy kids," Corse said. "I enjoy watching them when they catch up to something and the light goes on. Being around kids kinda helps you stay younger, too."

They then moved to Lubbock and she started out teaching physical education for the Lubbock Independent School District at Hunt Elementary School.

After a year-and-a-half of that, the family moved to Big Spring in the middle of the 1982-83 school year and she substituted for the Big Spring Independent School District. Starting with the 1983-84 school year, she started teaching P.E. at Bauer Magnet School. That lasted nine years.

"When I first applied at Big Spring, I did try for a coaching job, but there were none available," Corse said. "I took the P.E. job and I was content and stayed with it."

That was followed by a nine-year stint at Goliad Middle School. That's when

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Woods one round away from Grand Slam title

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland (AP) — Tiger Woods had to sacrifice perfection, only that's not the prize he came to claim.

Woods proved he was human Saturday, making his first bogey in 64 holes of major championship golf. Small consolation to David Duval, Ernie Els and every other pretender trapped in what seems like a hopeless effort to keep him from winning the Grand Slam.

How good is Woods? He played a conservative round and still managed to double his lead at St. Andrews with a 5-under 67. He finished the three rounds at 200, six strokes ahead of Duval and Thomas Bjorn.

Unless the 24-year-old Woods suffers the greatest collapse in the history of golf's oldest championship, he will become the youngest player to win the Grand Slam. No one has ever blown a six-stroke lead in the final round of the British Open.

"I know what it takes to play in a final round of any tournament," said Woods, who is 18-2 worldwide when he has at least a share of the

54-hole lead. "You can't let yourself look ahead to the final outcome, because if you don't take care of the present, the final outcome may not be what you want."

The outcome Woods seeks at the home of golf is having his name on the silver claret jug — and in the history books as only the fifth player to win all four majors. Jack Nicklaus was the last player to win the Grand Slam, in 1966 at age 26.

Also at stake is a chance to break Nick Faldo's scoring records. He had an 18-under 270 in 1990, the lowest score at St. Andrews, and the most under par in Open history.

"I don't like it a bit," Faldo said of the chance he lose his record. "I'll just have to go and play in Tiger-less tournaments."

Despite a lower back sprain that causes him to stand up when he eats at restaurants, Duval had a bogey-free 66 and set up a final-round pairing between No. 1 and No. 2.

Of course, the margin in the world ranking is about as vast as what Duval faces

Sunday. "Let's be realistic. There hasn't been a rivalry," Duval said.

Whatever talk of any rivalry to Woods was ended by his record 15-stroke victory last month in the U.S. Open.

Once again, Woods is turning a major championship into a Senior Tour event. Those are usually decided after 54 holes, too.

There was one difference between the British Open and the U.S. Open, besides the fact it has been sunny and warm on the eastern coast of Scotland. At least this time, they put up a fight.

It didn't matter. Nine players started the final round within five strokes of Woods. All but Sergio Garcia broke par, yet all of them lost ground.

David Toms, playing in the final pairing with Woods, got to within one stroke on the second hole when Woods three-putted from 55 feet and Toms rolled in a 5-footer for birdie. It was Woods' first bogey in a major since the 10th hole of

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Seven-on-seven football team did itself rather proud

In my last column Wednesday, I congratulated a group of young

ladies. In this column, I'd like to congratulate some young men I very much feel have earned that right.

This group is the Big Spring seven-on-seven football team, which wound up tournament play Saturday at College Station as the 10th team

in the State of Texas.

Some might think that finishing in the top 10 might not be that big a deal, but I think it is, especially in this case since all classifications of schools were in this event.

Before I go on, I'd like to list the names of the young men who made the trip to College Station. The roster for that state tournament consisted of Dustin Beau-champ,

Joseph Bumblis, Shane Burt, Bowe Butler, Tye Butler, Jason Choate, Sam Gray, Ronnie Johnson, Brandon Mendoza, Willis Morrison, Aaron Olague, Jaroe Parnell, Mike Smith, Larry Thompson, Kylan Wegner,

Clarence Wilkins and Curtis Woodruff. Mark Choate served as the head coach.

This team beat three playoff teams, including a 5A school just to reach the second day. The winning continued through one round Saturday before the Steers met up with Class 5A powerhouse Katy. John Moseley let me know the week before I arrived in town that the seven-on-seven team had qualified for state. That in itself, I thought, was neat because that was a career first.

When I heard Big Spring head football coach Dwight Butler's message about the team's performance

Friday, I was really thrilled! Owing the abundance of 5A schools, good 5A schools and some other really good schools in other classes, I really wasn't sure what to expect.

I'll bet some of those schools down there didn't know what to expect, either. I'm pretty sure some people wondered why it wasn't "Big Springs" on the fax!

I'd just like to say that I'm very pleased with what this group accomplished. Imagine, 10th in the state regardless of classification! Wow!

Personally, I'd like to extend my congratulations to this group of winners, along with a "Bravo!"



JOHN HASSELMEIER

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the third round in the U.S. Open.

But Woods had an answer for everything and everybody. He got the stroke back on the next hole with a 9-iron to 10 feet for birdie, and Toms fell back.

He had a 71 and was at 207, along with Darren Clarke (68) and Loren Roberts (70).

Next came Els, who made a wretched bogey on the opening hole by chunking a wedge so badly he didn't even reach the Swilken

Burn. But the Big Easy stormed back with a barrage of birdies and got to within one stroke with a 4-foot birdie on the 10th.

As Els walked off one side of the double green, Woods approached the other side where he had stuffed a 6-iron to 11 feet.

He saw the charges coming. He knew what he had to do.

"You know you're going to have to make some birdies," Woods said. "That's part of playing this golf course, especially under these conditions. All I can ask of

myself is to give myself chances. I was able to do that most of the day."

Woods followed his birdie on No. 8 with a 15-foot birdie on No. 9, then a beautifully played chip on the 12th hole that banged into the steep bank, gently climbed the slope and stopped within a foot of the hole.

It was all part of a stretch in which Woods birdied five of seven holes.

"When you watch top performers at their best ... it's just awesome to watch," said Toms, who played with

Woods for the first time.

Els lost hope when his drive on No. 12 went into a prickly gorse bush. He made double bogey to drop back, closed with six pars and left the Old Course without comment after a 70 that left him at 208, along with Dennis Paulson (69), Tom Lehman (70) and Steve Flesch (71).

Flesch also got it to 10 under before a double bogey on No. 13 when he hit into a pot bunker.

That's one place Woods has yet to find. He came perilously close on No. 17 when

he slightly pulled a 7-iron that landed 2 feet above the Road Hole bunker.

Woods three-putted for his second bogey of the day. Just like before, he answered with a birdie.

Duval made his run early, going out in 32 to get into the picture, and saved it with a rare break. His drive on the 18th appeared to be going out of bounds to the right before it took a fortuitous hop to remain in play. Instead of a double bogey, he got birdie.

"It was nice to see that. A couple of months ago, I'm

pretty sure that would have gone out of bounds," said Duval, who hasn't won in 16 months.

It will be only the third time in their careers they have played together as a twosome, the first time as the final pairing in the final round. The last time they played together, in the Byron Nelson Classic, Woods had a 63 and Duval a 70.

"That's what people want to see," Woods said. "I want to see it, too. We're going to give it everything we have to beat one another."

ROUNDUP

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June 5, allowed a season-high nine hits in the first two innings. He had not given up more than eight hits in his 19 previous starts this season.

Hentgen pitched three innings, allowed 10 hits and six earned runs.

Mets 4, Braves 0

Rick Reed is doing his part for the New York Mets to end their Turner Field jinx.

Reed pitched seven shutout innings, Derek Bell homered and New York defeated the Atlanta Braves 4-0 Saturday for only its second victory in 19 games at the ballpark since September 1997.

Reed (5-2) has accounted for both of those wins, surrendering one run in 6 1/3 innings during a 10-2 victory on June 25, 1999. This time, he allowed only four hits and benefited from three double plays in stopping the Braves, whose lead in the NL East fell to five games.

Atlanta has put together eight- and nine-game winning streaks over the Mets at home, including three victories in last year's NL Championship Series and a 6-3 triumph Friday night to open this weekend's three-game series.

The Mets had hoped to send a contingent including players, manager Bobby Valentine and general manager Steve Phillips to Cincinnati after the game for a meeting with All-Star shortstop Barry Larkin.

New York worked out a trade for Larkin but had to convince him to accept the deal during a 72-hour win-

dow that began Saturday morning. The meeting arrangements couldn't be worked out, and Reds general manager Jim Bowden declared that Larkin wouldn't go to New York without a three-year contract extension. Phillips seemed unlikely to meet that demand.

In the meantime, the Larkin-less Mets beat Greg Maddux (12-4), who allowed only five hits but three runs in eight innings.

Maddux has beaten New York more than any other team (25-15 lifetime) but he has lost his last three regular-season starts against the Mets. At least he was better than the previous two, when he surrendered a total of 14 runs in just five innings.

Royals 8, Tigers 5

Gregg Zaun hit a two-run double in a four-run sixth inning that lifted the

Kansas City Royals to their fifth straight win, 8-5 over the Detroit Tigers in the first game of a day-night doubleheader Saturday.

Zaun also had an RBI single in the seventh for the Royals, whose winning streak matched their longest of the season.

Johnny Damon, who was 15-for-22 (.681) through the first four games of the Royals' winning string, was 0-for-5 in the opener. His 15 hits tied the AL record for most in four games.

The Royals trailed 3-2 when Joe Randa led off the sixth with a single, Mark Quinn singled and Todd Dunwoody walked to load the bases. That finished Tigers starter Dave Mlicki (4-10).

Zaun greeted Danny Patterson with a double that just eluded left fielder Bobby Higginson.

Luis Ordaz drove in two

more when he singled through a drawn-in infield to give the Royals a 6-3 lead.

Jay Witasick (3-8) got through seven innings, giving up six hits and a season-high six walks. But he allowed only three runs to win for the first time since June 28.

Reds 7, D'backs 3

Barry Larkin got a 20-second standing ovation from fans urging him to stay, and emergency starter Ron Villone singled home a pair of runs as the Cincinnati Reds beat the Arizona Diamondbacks 7-3 Saturday.

The focus was on Larkin, the team captain who has to decide whether to accept a trade to the Mets. Several banners urged him to stay and the 42,568 fans gave him a warm reception in the first.

Larkin backed out of the

box, waved to the crowd, then bowed his head and stood motionless as the cheers washed over him. He stepped back in and singled — his only hit in five at-bats.

Although Larkin didn't have much success, the rest of the Reds took advantage of the first bad start by Geraldo Guzman (2-1), who had won his first two major league starts.

Guzman gave up six hits and five runs in only 2 2/3 innings, a major change.

Guzman, a 27-year-old rookie who hurt his shoulder in 1990 and took up carpentry for seven years, allowed only one run and eight hits in 16 innings while beating Houston and Seattle in his first two starts.

His biggest mistake came against Villone (8-6), who struggled but won while fill-

ing in for sore-armed starter Larry Leubbers.

Giants 5, Dodgers 2

Livan Hernandez pitched eight strong innings in his 100th career start and the San Francisco Giants got home runs from Rich Aurilia, Bobby Estalella and Armando Rios as they beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 5-2 Saturday.

Hernandez (9-7) retired 13 consecutive batters during one stretch before giving up a leadoff single in the eighth to Adrian Beltre and a one-out homer to Kevin Elster.

Hernandez allowed five hits, struck out six and walked one. The MVP of the 1997 NLCS and World Series with the Florida Marlins is 9-3 in his last 15 starts.

Robb Nen worked the ninth for his 22nd save. The Giants won for the 15th time in 19 games.

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her coaching career began. During her time as an assistant here, she served under three different head coaches.

"They offered me the head coaching job around the end of school," Corse said. "I had to think about it first because I have two kids and I wanted to make sure it was going to be right for them. Head coaching will take up a little more time."

There might just be some changes in the Big Spring tennis program this year, but the Dr. Pepper seen in her hand at an almost constant basis won't change now that she's the head coach.

"I'm looking forward to a great team," Corse said. "I think we're gonna have a good team. I know the kids well and I expect a lot of them. Last year, we lost just two seniors. We're returning quite a few and we've got some young kids coming up from the junior high that are gonna step up and fill in the freshman spots."

"I'm gonna try to get us back on a winning track," Corse said. "Going into this new huge district (with Frenship, Levelland, Lubbock Estacado and Plainview) is gonna be tough. Snyder and Andrews are going to be tough as always, still. I want us to get back to (team) regionals. Last year was the first time we didn't make regionals since I'd become an assistant. That was a weird feeling."



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CLEVELAND INDIANS—Recalled RHP Kane Davis from Buffalo of the International League. Optioned RHP Jim Brower to Buffalo.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Optioned RHP Matt DeWitt to Syracuse of the International League.
CHICAGO CUBS—Traded OF Glenallen Hill to the New York Yankees for RHP Ben Ford and LHP Oswaldo Marrero, assigned Ford to Iowa of the PCL and Marrero to West Tennessee of the Southern League. Called up IF Chad Meyers from Iowa.
FLORIDA MARLINS—Purchased the contract of C Ramon Castro from Calgary of the PCL. Announced C Paul Bako was claimed on waivers from the Atlanta Braves.
MONTREAL EXPOS—Activated RHP Mike Thurman from the 15-day DL. Placed RHP Yovanny Lara on the 15-day DL.
NEW YORK METS—Purchased the contract of INF Mike Kindade. Optioned RHP Jim Mann to Norfolk of the International League. Moved OF Darryl Hamilton from the 15 to the 60-day disabled list.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Placed C Mike Lieberthal on the 15-day disabled list. Activated 1B Rico Brogna from the 15-day disabled list.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Called up OF Emil Brown from Nashville of the PCL.
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS—Purchased the contract of C Rick Wilkins from Memphis of the Southern League. Optioned C Keith McDonald to Memphis of the Southern League. Transferred Mike Matthews from the 15 to the 60-day disabled list.
SAN DIEGO PADRES—Placed RHP Steve Montgomery on the 15-day disabled list. Called up LHP Dave Maurer from Las Vegas of the PCL. Transferred RHP Brian Boelter from the 15 to the 60-day disabled list.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
INDIANA PACERS—Named Isiah Thomas coach.
PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS—Claimed GF Rodrick Rhodes off waivers.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
INDIANA PACERS—Agreed to terms with RB Thomas Jones.
LUFFALO BILLS—Agreed to terms with S Travares Tillman to a four-year contract.
CAROLINA PANTHERS—Agreed to terms with DE Reggie White.
CINCINNATI BENGALS—Signed K Neil Rackers to a three-year contract.
GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed LB Vernon Crawford and OT Tony Bert.
KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Agreed to terms with CB William Barteau on a four-year contract.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS—Announced the retirement of NT Jerry Ball. Signed DT Fred Robbins, DE Michael Boreau, and LB Antonio Wilson.
NEW YORK GIANTS—Signed RB Ron Dayne to a five-year contract.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ATLANTA THRASHERS—Agreed to terms with CF Jarrod Skalde.
DETROIT RED WINGS—Signed LW Brent Gilchrist to a one-year contract.
NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Signed LW Michael Rupp.
COLLEGE
ALLEN TOWN—Named Scott Covak athletic director.
CAL STATE NORTHBRIDGE—Agreed to terms with Bobby

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AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
New York	50	41	.549	
Toronto	52	46	.531	11/2
Boston	49	44	.527	2
Baltimore	42	53	.429	10
Tampa Bay	37	57	.394	14 1/2
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Chicago	61	35	.635	
Cleveland	49	46	.516	11 1/2
Kansas City	45	50	.474	15 1/2
Detroit	43	51	.457	17
Minnesota	43	56	.434	19 1/2
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Seattle	56	39	.589	
Anaheim	53	44	.546	4
Oakland	51	44	.537	5
Texas	45	49	.479	10 1/2
Friday's Games				
Kansas City 4, Detroit 0				
Baltimore 9, Toronto 5				
N.Y. Yankees 11, Tampa Bay 1				
Chicago White Sox 8, Boston 5				
Minnesota 2, Cleveland 1				
Seattle 12, Texas 3				
Anahem 12, Oakland 3				
Saturday's Games				
Late Games Not Included				
Kansas City 8, Detroit 5, 1st game				
Anahem at Oakland				
Baltimore at Toronto				
Texas at Seattle				
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees				
Chicago White Sox at Boston				
Cleveland at Minnesota, (n)				
Kansas City at Detroit, (n)				
2nd game				
Sunday's Games				
Kansas City (Stein 1), 2 at Detroit (Moehler 6.6), 12:05 p.m.				
Baltimore (Mussina 6.9), 9 at Detroit				
NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Atlanta	59	39	.602	
New York	53	43	.552	5
Florida	48	48	.500	10
Montreal	45	48	.484	11 1/2
Philadelphia	43	52	.453	14 1/2
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
St. Louis	55	42	.567	
Cincinnati	49	48	.505	6
Chicago	42	54	.432	12
Pittsburgh	41	54	.432	13
Milwaukee	40	58	.412	16
Houston	34	63	.351	21
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Arizona	56	42	.571	
San Francisco	53	42	.553	1
Los Angeles	50	46	.526	5 1/2
Colorado	47	47	.500	7
San Diego	43	53	.448	12
Friday's Games				
Chicago Cubs 4, Milwaukee 2				
Pittsburgh (Ritche 5.5), 12:35 p.m.				
Milwaukee (Wright 5.3) at Chicago Cubs (Valdes 1.4), 1:20 p.m.				
Atlanta 6, N.Y. Mets 3				
St. Louis (An Bess 10.4) at Houston (Reynolds 6.7), 2:05 p.m.				
San Diego (Tollberg 2.0) at Colorado (Astacio 8.6), 2:05 p.m.				
Montreal (Vazquez 7.5) at Florida (Sanchez 6.7), 3:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (B.J. Jones 4.4) at Atlanta (Ashby 5.7), 7:05 p.m.				
San Francisco (Ortiz 5.8) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 5.7), 7:10 p.m.				
Monday's Games				
Houston at Cincinnati, 6:35 p.m.				
Los Angeles at Colorado, 8:05 p.m.				
San Francisco at San Diego, 9:05 p.m.				
Only games scheduled				
coach at Grand View College.				
AL LEADERS				
BATTING—Garciparra, Boston, .394; Estrada, Anaheim, .380; CDeGado, Toronto, .357; Martinez, Seattle, .353; Rodriguez, Texas, .351.				
PITCHING—Estrada, Anaheim, 8.2; Rodriguez, Texas, 8.2; Martinez, Seattle, 8.0; CDeGado, Toronto, 8.0; Rodriguez, Texas, 7.5; Martinez, Seattle, 7.5; Rodriguez, Texas, 7.5; Martinez, Seattle, 7.5; Rodriguez, Texas, 7.5.				

MJSweeney, Kansas City, .350; Segui, Texas, .346.

RUNS—Arduzquez, Seattle, 82; CDeGado, Toronto, 82; Durham, Chicago, 79; Mondesi, Toronto, 78; Estrada, Anaheim, 76; Damon, Kansas City, 75; BeWilliams, New York, 75; Thomas, Chicago, 75.
RBI—Thomas, Chicago, 90; Estrada, Anaheim, 88; CDeGado, Toronto, 88; BeWilliams, New York, 88; MJSweeney, Kansas City, 85; Jagambi, Oakland, 85; Mondesi, Chicago, 82.
HITS—Estrada, Anaheim, 158; MJSweeney, Kansas City, 130; Rodriguez, Texas, 125; CDeGado, Toronto, 124; Lawton, Minnesota, 122; BeWilliams, New York, 121; Thomas, Chicago, 118.
DOUBLES—Otero, Seattle, 33; Garciparra, Boston, 32; CDeGado, Toronto, 30; Lawton, Minnesota, 29; Higginson, Detroit, 28; Segui, Texas, 28; Estrada, Anaheim, 27; Rodriguez, Texas, 27.
TRIPLES—C Guzman, Minnesota, 14; Durham, Chicago, 7; Akernney, Anaheim, 6; Alcala, Texas, 6; Singleton, Chicago, 5; Nixon, Boston, 5; JValentin, Chicago, 5; BeWilliams, New York, 5.
HOME RUNS—CDeGado, Toronto, 32; Batista, Toronto, 30; Thomas, Chicago, 29; Glaus, Anaheim, 28; GAnderson, Anaheim, 28; Thome, Cleveland, 27; Ceverett, Boston, 26; Iliodze, Toronto, 26; Justice, New York, 26.
STOLEN BASES—Damon, Kansas City, 27; DeShields, Baltimore, 23; Rasmus, Cleveland, 23; Mondesi, Toronto, 22; Lawton, Minnesota, 21; McLemore, Seattle, 19; Estrada, Anaheim, 18.
PITCHING (12 Decisions)—Eldred, Chicago, 10.2, 8.33, 4.64; DWells, Toronto, 15.3, 8.33, 3.87; Hudson, Oakland, 10.3, 7.69, 4.77; PMartinez, Boston, 10.3, 7.69, 1.49; Moyer, Seattle, 10.3, 7.69, 4.09; Parque, Chicago, 9.3, 7.50, 3.88; Baldwin, Chicago, 12, 4, 7.50, 4.40.
STRIKEOUTS—PMartinez, Boston, 162; CFraney, Cleveland, 123; Nomo, Detroit, 122; Mussina, Baltimore, 120; Colon, Cleveland, 115; Burba, Cleveland, 114; DWells, Toronto, 108.
SAVES—TBJoaza, Detroit, 26; Wetteland, Texas, 24; Sasaki, Seattle, 23; Koch, Toronto, 23; MRivera, New York, 22; Percival, Anaheim, 22; D Lowe, Boston, 21; RJohnson, Oakland, 21.
BATTING—Helton, Colorado, .379; Castillo, Florida, .368; Vidro, Montreal, .362; Piazza, New York, .349; Kent, San Francisco, .342; Sheffield, Los Angeles, .338.
RUNS—Helton, Colorado, 90; Edmonds, St. Louis, 90; Bagwell, Houston, 83; Ajones, Atlanta, 80; Bonds, San Francisco, 76; Cullis, Colorado, 75; Sheffield, Los Angeles, 74.
RBI—Kent, San Francisco, 88; Sosa, Chicago, 85; VGuerrero, Montreal, 83; Joaza, Detroit, 81; Sheffield, Los Angeles, 81; Giles, Pittsburgh, 80; Helton, Colorado, 79.
HITS—Vidro, Montreal, 130; Helton, Colorado, 125; VGuerrero, Montreal, 120; Kent, San Francisco, 120; Ajones, Atlanta, 118; Sosa, Chicago, 117; LGonzalez, Arizona, 115.
DOUBLES—Helton, Colorado, 33; Vidro, Montreal, 33; Cullis, Colorado, 29; Green, Los Angeles, 29; Kent, San Francisco, 29; Lieberthal, Philadelphia, 28; Young, Chicago, 28; Zeile, New York, 28.
TRIPLES—Perez, Colorado, 8; Worrick, Arizona, 8; Goodwin, Colorado, 8; VGuerrero, Montreal, 7; Azeo, Philadelphia, 6; Lansing, Colorado, 6; AMartin, San Diego, 6; Shumpert, Colorado, 6; LWalker, Colorado, 6.

Armstrong's journey: Texas plains to Champs-Elysees

PARIS (AP) — As a teenager full of talent and stubborn pride, Lance Armstrong would sometimes pedal toward the lonely Texas horizon until it became Oklahoma and dream that, one day, his bike might take him all the way to the Champs-Elysees. Now 28, Armstrong is living beyond those boyhood fantasies and his story is the inspirational stuff of a best-selling autobiography and a Hollywood movie in the works.

Just after the 1996 Olympics, America's No. 1 cyclist was diagnosed with testicular cancer so advanced that it had already spread to his lungs and brain. He retreated back to his Austin, Texas, base where doctors gave him a 40 percent chance of survival.

Against those odds he recovered: A testicle amputated, brain tumors removed, lungs bombarded with chemotherapy all formed part of a high-risk aggressive treatment that paid off. Perversely, the ordeal so toughened him mentally and pared him down physically that it helped transform him into a world-beating cyclist.

"Cancer was probably the best thing that ever happened to me. It nearly killed me, but instead it made me a better athlete," Armstrong says today.

Before the cancer, Armstrong had been an exciting but erratic prospect on the European-dominated world cycling circuit.

He won the world championships in 1993, but he also was forced to drop out of three of his first four Tours de France, the most prestigious but correspondingly difficult cycling race on earth, because of exhaustion or injury.

His victories on two Tour stages showed how his strength could sometimes prevail. But in the end, the sheer epic scale of the Tour often got the better of his overly broad-shouldered

frame. More important, his tactical grasp of the sport was poor. Through a mix of youthful impatience and misdirected ego, he tried to win rather than stay well positioned within races. He often didn't recognize when to hold back and conserve energy for those decisive moments that the best cyclists recognize and pounce upon.

The chemotherapy winnowed down his bulk, inspiring a more aerodynamic, cycling-friendly shape.

"My whole body's different," he said. "That in turn completely changed how I trained, how I ate, how I positioned myself on the bike. And the fact is, I'm 20 pounds lighter than I was in 1996. That's a whole lot of weight when you're trying to climb the Pyrenees or Alps in the middle of the Tour."

But rebuilding his body required a newfound mental discipline — a willingness to push himself beyond his old limits, and to add maturity and patience to his play book.

"I knew if I could beat cancer, I could get over any mountain," he said. "Once I got back into racing in 1998, I could always draw strength from the fact that, no matter how hard things might look at a given moment, they could never be as hard as when I was back in Austin in a hospital bed with my hair falling out."

Armstrong's triumphant return to the Tour in 1999 proved as shocking to some as it was inspiring to others. Many wondered how on earth somebody on his deathbed could miraculously rebound to win one of the world's most grueling sports events.

The suspicion in a sport already reeling from revelations that top cyclists had abused banned performance-boosting drugs, was that Armstrong was taking

chemical shortcuts. When French media insisted that a steroid-based substance had been found in his urine samples, Armstrong was forced to backtrack on his previous claim to using no inappropriate medicines — but insisted that the offending product was a skin cream for saddle sores.

"I like to talk about cancer, but definitely not about cortisone cream!" Armstrong jokes today about the embarrassing episode.

Nonetheless, it undercut Armstrong's victory and, combined with accusations he'd defeated a scandal-depleted field, left the survivor feeling he had yet more to prove.

This year's Tour has been, in his words, "a total vindication. It's been sweet." After Saturday's stage, he kept his lead of more than six minutes. Now only a ceremonial swing through Paris remains.

"We have to be careful," he said. "It's still a stage, it still counts, it's still official, and I'll still not be convinced of victory until we finish the race."

Armstrong surged ahead of his chief competitors at the first mountain stage, a performance that the top French mountain-climber, Richard Verinque, likened to seeing a plane take off. His lead soon soared to beyond seven minutes, a huge amount in Tour terms.

At the last mountain stage the following week, Armstrong was attacked by Verinque and his two biggest threats: Jan Ullrich of Germany and Marco Pantani of Italy. As he struggled but failed to keep up, Armstrong's legs burned with pain as he suffered through his darkest hour.

But the reborn Armstrong knew his limits and what it would take to win. He ended the day still in first place and with Pantani resigning the Tour in decisive defeat.

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Steelers last draft pick signs, reports to camp

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cornerback Hank Poteat, the last of nine draft picks to sign with the Pittsburgh Steelers, finally arrived for practice at training camp Saturday at St. Vincent College.

Poteat, a three-year starter at the University of Pittsburgh, would have earned more money if he had signed last week.

The Steelers already were close to their \$1.646 million rookie salary cap after completing a deal with No. 1 pick Plaxico Burress. Poteat got what was left — \$193,000 this year, \$275,000 in 2001, and \$358,000 in 2002 — all league minimums, with a signing bonus believed to be around \$400,000.

"We tried to make up what he lost in signing bonus with incentives," Steelers director of football operations Kevin Colbert said. "He didn't take what we thought was a fair market offer."

"I don't regret anything," Poteat said. "I'm just happy to be out here to start practicing with the guys."

"Wherever the coaches need me to play and wherever they need my help at, that's where I'm at ... special teams, the dime (pass defense), so it's almost like my freshman year in college. I was like a role player, and I accepted my role."

Poteat is expected to give the Steelers depth in the secondary and possibly play in passing situations.

Browns

Peyton Manning improved drastically from his rookie year to last season, and it was no coincidence that the Indianapolis Colts' record did, too.

Now, Manning believes Tim Couch can follow the same learning curve and bring the Cleveland Browns along for a similar thrill ride. And so does Couch.

"I think I can make the jump," Couch said after the Browns' combined practice and light scrimmage with the Colts at Columbus Crew Stadium on Saturday.

"I don't know if I can do as good as Peyton did. He had a great year last year. But I think I'm going to be a lot better this year."

Manning and Couch spoke on the bus ride to Columbus on Friday. The two compared notes on what they're going through as young quarterbacks.

"The game slows down for you in your second year, you start to make better decisions," Manning said. "You start to throw the ball away maybe a little bit instead of taking the sack and throwing the interception."

"You kind of learn that a punt is not a bad play — sometimes defenses are good and they stop you. Those are some of the things I learned. I made better decisions and we scored more points."

Dolphins

The Miami Dolphins have not set a time table for

receiver O.J. McDuffie to return from a toe injury that required surgery in February.

"Two days, two weeks — who knows?" McDuffie said Saturday. "It's a tedious process."

McDuffie concedes two weeks is a more realistic prognosis, though even that isn't definite.

Miami placed McDuffie on the active/physically unable to perform list Friday after the 30-year-old failed his physical.

McDuffie does some light running while his teammates go through complete practice drills. He says the aggravated toe prevents him from making the necessary cuts to complete his routes. Structurally, he said the toe is fine. But the strength in the foot is not there.

"When he says he's ready to go, he will," Dolphins coach Dave Wannstedt said Friday.

McDuffie's left big toe sustained tendon, muscle and tissue damage in 1999. The injury kept him inactive four games late in the season, and snapped a string of 73 straight regular-season starts.

Lions

When Detroit Lions coach Bobby Ross thinks about the ideal running game, he reminisces about 1994 when his San Diego Chargers reached the Super Bowl with Ronnie Harmon, who had twice as many career yards receiving as rushing, and Natrone Means, the bruising 245-

pound running back who had a career-best 1,345 rushing yards.

Ross might feel he has the best of both in James Stewart, the 6-foot-1, 227-pound running back the Lions acquired in the offseason.

"James plays a little bit better than what I thought," Ross said after Saturday's training camp practice at Saginaw Valley State. "He's not just strictly a power guy" but has the ability to evade defenders.

"He's a very good screen guy. He can be pretty darn dangerous with it because he's such a powerful guy when he gets space."

The Lions have big hopes for Stewart, the sixth-year back Detroit lured away from Jacksonville in hopes of reviving a running game that was the fourth-worst in the NFL last season.

"They want to do some things on the ground and they feel I'm the guy for that," Stewart said. "I think it's a new era in Detroit. (The coaches) want to get back to what it was like in San Diego. We are working on that style. We want to get the running game to where we can dominate. If we can do that, we'll definitely be a better offensive team."

Stewart, who holds Jacksonville's all-time rushing yards record, ran for a career-high 931 yards last season.

This year, he'll have to do really well to do that again as the Jaguars are hoping to do a little better this year.

U.S. is mainly on the wane in Spain

SANTANDER, Spain (AP) — Round and round the court, the Spanish team danced deliriously with hands joined as music played and fans sang in celebration of the end of more than three decades of Davis Cup anguish.

Slipping away sullenly, John McEnroe and his merciless men spoke of lost opportunities and lost teammates.

McEnroe could only shake his head, a sour expression on his face, when asked if the team had heard at all from Pete Sampras and Andre Agassi, who claimed they were too hurt to play and left their teammates stranded. Did Sampras or Agassi call or send even a message of support?

"Nope," McEnroe said, the word barely audible and the response summing up the American experience in Spain.

Alex Corretja and Juan Balcells clinched the best-of-five semifinal series Saturday with a 7-6 (6), 2-6, 6-3, 6-7 (5), 6-3 doubles victory over Todd Martin and Chris Woodruff that rendered Sunday's singles matches meaningless.

Spain, a Davis Cup finalist only in 1965 and 1967, will play for its first title against Australia in

Barcelona in December.

"If you reach the final, what is important is to win it," Corretja said. "We've started history, and we want to go on with history."

On a cooler, cloudier day than Friday's thick heat at this seaside resort near Bibao, Corretja and Balcells saved four set points in the opener before taking the set on their first opportunity in the tiebreaker when Balcells put away a volley.

"The first set was ours," McEnroe said. "There's no way in the world we should have lost that set. Instead of being two sets up, it's a set all and they're in the thick of things."

Woodruff said he played with a "little too much fear in the first set," but it was doubtful the Americans would have won this one even if McEnroe had played in his place.

Spain appeared on its way to winning in four sets, but the Americans refused to quit, pushed it to a tiebreaker and won that when Woodruff nailed a volley at set point.

After an exchange of breaks to 3-3 in the fifth set, Spain won the final 10 points to close the match. The last three points came on crushing volley winners by Balcells.

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Brave Soldiers



Back to school means clothes, supplies ... and shots

Back-to-school doesn't just mean buying new clothes or school supplies. It also means it's time to get those — ouch! — immunizations.

"All school-age children are required to have their immunizations up to date," said Laurie Burks, registered nurse for the Texas Department of Health. "It's very important children receive these vaccinations to help prevent childhood diseases such as diphtheria, polio or hepatitis."

The first set of shots is usually given at around the age of 2 months, then again at four, six and then between 12 and 15 months of age.

"If the parents have kept up with the required vaccines, then, the child will not need anymore until he or she begins school," she added.

"Usually a booster shot is required around age 14."

The first reported vaccination was given to James Phipps in 1796 for cowpox.

Children are given three doses of hepatitis B, several doses of the diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis vaccines, five doses of the haemophilus influenzae, four doses of the polio vaccine, two measles, mumps and rubella immunizations and one varicella vaccine (or chicken pox vaccine).

"The most recent changes to immunizations are that the polio vaccine is no longer given orally and the varicella is required between

the ages of 12 and 18 months if the child has not had the chicken pox," Burks explained.

The health department has regularly scheduled immunization days.

"We give immunizations on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 4 p.m.," said Chrissy Lopez, licensed vocational nurse. "The cost is \$5 each visit and we do accept Medicaid."

She added that no one will be turned away regardless of their ability to pay.

The health department usually sees between 200 and 400 patients per month, with an annual increase right before school starts.

"We really urge parents not to wait until the last minute to bring their child here to get their immunizations," said Burks. "It makes it very busy and hard to get everyone in if they all come at the same time."

To offer further help to busy parents, the health department is planning to have a kindergarten shot clinic at Anderson Kindergarten Center during registration.

— Gina Garza



HERALD photos/Lyndel Moody

Pictured top, Chrissy Lopez, West Texas Department of Health and Human Services immunization nurse, gives Michael Clarke, 9, a shot. Pictured middle top, Mackenzie Stone, 6, is still a little nervous when Lopez removes the needle from her arm. Bottom, Shelby Jackson, 4 months, held by her mother, Rachelle, disagreed with Lopez about receiving three immunization shots that day. Shelby voiced her complaint to both her mother and Lopez very strongly.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Eleven-year-old Kamrun Green, right, bravely receives an immunization at the West Texas Department of Health and Human Services. Many children will have to have vaccinations before school starts.



In a brush with greatness, I 'clicked' with a screen legend

I have had for many years now a little gift from God, which I call my "instant rapport." It does not happen with many people, only a very few.

When the phenomenon occurs, both parties know immediately that there is a kindred spirit on both sides. It was there the moment I met my wife, Arlys. It was there in 1937 at a Los Angeles Junior High School when I met two very good friends, forming a kinship that lasted some 40 years or so.

It happened about 1971 in Big Spring with a character I met with whom I corre-

spond frequently.

I won't name him here, because I want now to write about a very famous writer, director, legendary gentleman who is very well known to movie buffs of our age.

There was an ad one day in 1937 in the Los Angeles Evening Herald and Express. David O. Selznick was looking for a 12-or-13-year-old kid to play "Huck Finn" in the film he planned to make, "Tom Sawyer."

My aunt Winnie brought over the clipping. She literally begged me to try out for

us. So we have a very small teenager, on a bus headed for Culver City, Calif.

When I arrived, there was a line of kids three or four blocks long. We all waited and waited — finally a grown-up guy with a clipboard walks up and points to several of us.

"You step out.... thank you



AL SCOTT

That immediate rapport surfaced. I watched peripherally; Mr. Selznick was squinting his eyes, listening, taking it all in.

for coming." Those kids were dismissed.

At length, I wound up inside that studio, in a fantastic area with fake scenery, with plaster-of-Paris rocks, trees and shrubbery which I learned later was the set for another Selznick film called "Garden of Allal."

I, along with some of the other kids, was given a script and was told to mem-

orize it. Some young lass was reading hers, and we did the Tom and Becky "door knob" bit. We practiced; she was great. I like to think this little lady grew up to be someone like Jennifer Jones or Ann Rutherford.

Finally, the entourage — with Mr. Selznick leading — approached and listened to my spiel.

That immediate rapport

surfaced. I watched peripherally; Mr. Selznick was squinting his eyes, listening, taking it all in.

"I want this guy to have a test," he said.

My screen test, however, was nothing compared to that encounter with the screen legend, because Mr. Selznick was not there for it.

A kid named Jackie Moran was chosen to play Huck. But I really think that if the great Selznick had been there, it might have been Al Scott who got the role.

Al Scott writes a regular column for the Herald.

2000

WEDDINGS

Gibbs-Hobbs

Kristi Gibbs and Justin Hobbs, both of Big Spring, were united in marriage on June 3, 2000, at First Baptist Church Chapel with Gary Phillips and L.C. Gibbs III officiating.

She is the daughter of Joe and Nancy Ward of Colorado City and L.C. (Trip) and Jana Gibbs of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Ray and Joyce Davidson and L.C. and Zelda Gibbs, all of Big Spring.

He is the son of Jarrell and Betty Carroll of Arlington and Doug and Elaine Hobbs of Georgetown, and the grandson of Loy and Joyce Carroll and Arnie Long, all of Big Spring.

Organist was Beth Spence and Annette Parsley performed as the soloist.

Given away in marriage by Stacey Gibbs, brother of the bride, she wore an A-line, two toned, ivory and champagne colored sleeveless gown with braided straps. Flowers were embroidered around the train. She carried a bouquet of cream roses and peach lilies.

Brenda Terrazas of San Angelo served as maid of honor and bridesmaids were Lana Henderson, Veronica Moran, Heather Gibbs, sister of the bride, all from Big Spring.

Flower girl was Morgan Long of Lubbock, cousin of the groom.

Brandon Johnson of Austin served as best man and groomsmen were Kyle Carroll of San Antonio,



MR. AND MRS. JUSTIN HOBBS

James Womble of Arlington, Travis Hobbs of Georgetown, all brothers of the groom.

Ushers were Phillip Bridge, Jeff Johnston and David Belaw, all of Big Spring.

After the ceremony, a reception was held in the First Baptist Church parlor.

The wedding cake was a four-tiered ivory cake with sweetpeas on the border and going diagonally across the cake. The groom's cake was a one-layered chocolate cake.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Big Spring High School and a 1996 graduate of Howard College. She is presently employed by Dois Ray Insurance Agency.

The groom is a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School and is presently employed by the Union Pacific Railroad.

After a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple made Big Spring their home.

Paul-Winn

Andrea Paul of Big Spring and Allen Winn of Sand Springs exchanged wedding vows on July 14, 2000, at Wedding Island on the River Walk in San Antonio with Judge Robert Tinente officiating.

Given away in marriage by Chad Tidwell, son-in-law of the bride, and Leslie Kuykendall served as matrons of honor.

Flower girl was Kelli Tidwell, granddaughter of the bride.

Todd Kuykendall served as best man.

The bride is a registered



MR. AND MRS. ALLEN WINN

nurse at the Big Spring State Hospital.

The groom is presently employed at Seago Construction.

After a wedding trip to San Antonio and the Austin area, the couple made their home in Big Spring.

Wells-Peugh

Shanna D'awn Wells and John Cody Peugh, both of Stanton, exchanged wedding vows on July 7, 2000, at Belvue Church of Christ with Mr. Glen Glaeser officiating.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Wells of Stanton.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Peugh of Stanton.

Vocalists were Ravonna and Russell Lloyd.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a Dulciana gown with beaded bodice and basque waistline with alencon and Venice lace overlaying the cathedral train. She carried a cascading bouquet of pink Anna roses, dendrobium orchids and stephanotis.

Sherra Wells of Stanton, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor and bridesmaids were, Caroline Madison of Lenorah and Tandi Peugh of Lubbock.

Kristen Blocker was the flower girl and Bryce Blocker was ringbearer.

Brady Peugh, brother of the groom, served as best man and groomsmen were Brad Cox of Lenorah and Dusty Wells, brother of the bride.

Ushers were Trey Harrell, Wade Kirkwood and Brain Tubb. Cody Wells and Kandace Schuelke were candlelighters.



MRS. JOHN PEUGH

Kaitlyn Blocker, Maegan Blocker and Julia Schuelke served as junior attendants.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at First Baptist Fellowship Hall in Stanton.

The bride's cake was a three-tiered cake decorated with lace sotas and pearl beading and the groom's cake was a three-tiered red velvet cake.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Grady High School and currently attends Texas A&M University.

The groom is a 1997 graduate of Grady High School and is currently a senior at Texas A&M University. He is presently employed at ASTREC in College Station.

After a wedding trip to New Orleans, the couple made their home in Snook.

Sneed-Escobar

Jennifer Sneed and James (Moe) Escobar, both of Big Spring, exchanged wedding vows on June 30, 2000, at Coahoma with Justice of the Peace Quail Hobbs officiating.

She is the daughter of Leonard and Zonell Sneed of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Mary Sneed, Winfred and O'Ber Mears, all of Big Spring.

He is the son of Teresa and Dan Escobar of Big Spring.

The bride is a 1999 graduate of Big Spring High School who works for the Wal-Mart Pharmacy. The groom is a 1996 graduate of Big Spring High School who works for Solitaire Homes.

The couple will live in Big Spring.

Self-treatment book provides insight for parents when children leave the nest

HOUSTON (AP) — Dr. David Krueger still remembers what it was like to come home from work to see his excited toddlers hurling themselves at him and hugging his legs.

The psychiatrist, psychoanalyst and professor at Baylor College of Medicine also remembers playing hours of basketball with his kids as they got older, riding bikes with them, philosophizing with them, reading to them.

Every moment, every contact with his kids was precious to him. It was tough, then, when adolescence struck, and the man who was always ready to play had sulky, silent young people stalking around the house. It was harder still when Krueger realized that stage was nothing compared to the real challenge ahead.

His son, Ryan, was getting ready to leave home for college. His daughter, Lauren, was only two years behind Ryan. Krueger was about to become an empty nester, and the thought of it sent him into mourning.

Krueger wondered how he could let the kids go, how rotten he would feel when they left, and what he could do with feelings he couldn't deny but didn't want to dump on Ryan and Lauren, either.

His self-treatment was the slim volume now available in some Houston bookstores, "Making Memories: Reflections on Parenting From the Head of a Psychoanalyst and the Heart of a Father" (Xlibris Publishers, \$25).

The book, four years in the making, could be dubbed "Parenting From the Rear-View Mirror." It's chock-full of child-rearing advice, and it includes sometimes painful insights into mid-life, separations and growing old.

The words on the book jacket sum up the riddles within: "Finally, by the time we've got the rhythm of the thing, it's over. 'Making Memories' documents how children give birth to their parents. It is about learning from our children and, ultimately, learning to say goodbye to them so they can mean it when they say it back to us."

Not surprisingly, it seems easier for Krueger to write down his feelings than express them in an inter-

view. He's used to being on the other side of the notepad. In his posh Galleria-area office, the chairs, the analyst's couch, even the lighting are arranged so that he can listen and others can spill.

But he gives the role of interviewee a whirl.

Krueger, 52, grew up on a farm in Miles, a town in central West Texas. As a boy, he dreamed of becoming a doctor, and as he got older and realized he could reach that goal, he wondered what kind of a doctor he wanted to be.

He got married between college at the University of Texas at Austin and medical school at Louisiana State University in New Orleans. He and his wife, Vicki, had Ryan when he was a fourth-year medical student. They had Lauren when he was a resident at the University of Colorado at Denver.

By then Krueger was a full-fledged psychiatrist with a special interest in psychoanalysis. It's a process that's rare in medicine, he says, because his goal is to finish with patients who are not just healed or as good as they were before they realized they had problems, but better. To do that, Krueger says, he and his patients review less-than-perfect pasts, make discoveries and decisions, and become co-creators of new stories.

Bottom line, Krueger says, is that when he shows patients he believes in them, then they believe in themselves. The same theory works with parents and kids, he says, as long as parents, not to mention therapists, don't try to fake it.

Early in the parenting business, the Kruegers realized they weren't raising the children; the children were raising them.

"We went through all the developmental experiences all over again," Krueger says. "Hopefully, you're a step ahead of the children to serve as guide."

When the kids were little, Krueger sometimes saw himself as an honorary child. He could play sports or video games for hours on end. If Lauren wanted to play dolls, too, he played dolls. He learned to do hair. He learned the differences between boys' basketball teams and girls' basketball teams, and he adapted to

both. It was dandy with him if the girls played best after warming up with talk as well as stretches and if they said "excuse me" after fouling an opponent.

When adolescence hit, Krueger lost his easy entree to his kids' worlds, his honorary kid status. Instead, he became the guardian of their solitude, the protector of their privacy.

It wasn't the job he wanted, necessarily, but the one they allowed him to fill.

Krueger wrote in the book, "Sometimes when my adolescent son or daughter gave me the stiff-arm, it hurt. ... I would retreat for a moment (truth be known, sometimes a long string of moments) to lick my wounds. My wife would say, as we both said numerous times, 'Remember not to take it personally.'"

To get through those years, he and Vicki depended on rules and consistency. They found that "no" could be a complete sentence. They loved the children standing before them, not the illusion of who or what they wanted them to be.

Krueger explains, "If we love them for themselves, then they are free to have their own dreams rather than being burdened with living out ours."

Krueger settled on five sentences he thought his teens really wanted and needed to hear: "I am proud of you, you can come to me with anything, I want to understand, I trust you, I love you," and he repeated them often.

Then, inevitably, it was time for the really difficult stuff. Ryan started making plans for college and leaving home.

Meanwhile, Lauren started dating. Trying to help her feel more comfortable with the topic, Krueger told her about the first few times he tried to pin a corsage on a girl's dress.

His point was that guys are intimidated on dates, too.

Lauren cut him off, informing him with a quick wave of the hand that the dress material stopped just above her bosom. There was no room for a corsage unless her date wanted to pin one to her skin.

Krueger wrote, "There I sat, a real frog in an imaginary garden; one more illusion would no longer hold me captive."

GETTING ENGAGED



Lee Paterson and Noah Wright, both of Kerrville, will be united in marriage on Aug. 5, 2000, at Punta Mita, Nayarit, Mexico on the beach with the Rev. Diane Brown, First Presbyterian Church of Big Spring, officiating.

She is the daughter of Robert Patterson and Claudie Patterson of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Mrs. Morris Patterson of Big Spring.

He is the son of John G. Wright and Liz Wright of Kerrville.

ODDS-N-ENDS

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) — Scheherazade, eat your heart out.

Convicted murderer Jesus Delpino spun a tale so good, police spent two days looking for non-existent bodies.

Delpino, who is serving three consecutive life terms, apparently told police that he murdered a 14-year-old girl and her mother in 1981, and then buried the bodies in a Key West back yard.

The search ended Wednesday when authorities, tipped off by a Miami-Dade Police detective, interviewed Delpino again and he admitted to concocting the murder confession in an attempt to get out of solitary confinement and possibly attempt an escape.

"Obviously he didn't like state prison, he was in isolation," police spokeswoman Cynthia Edwards said. "Apparently Delpino thought a county jail would be more pleasant."

Delpino tried a similar ploy last year. He wrote a letter to Miami-Dade police claiming he had shot a New Jersey drug dealer in the head and buried the body in Miami.

ANNIVERSARIES

Franklin



MR. AND MRS. GEORGE C. FRANKLIN THEN AND NOW

George C. and Bonnie J. Franklin of Big Spring celebrated their 50th anniversary with a two-week trip to Ireland and a dinner at K-C Steak House hosted by their daughter, Janice Ferguson.

George was born in Big Spring, Bonnie Gill was born in Hope, Ark.

The couple met at Airport Baptist Church and were married Bonnie's parents' home on July 22, 1950.

The couple have one son who is deceased, one daughter, Janice Ferguson of Coahoma and one grandchild.

During their 50-year marriage, the Franklins have lived in Cedar Falls, Iowa; Bellville, Ill. and Big Spring.

They are presently th



owners of Howard County Abstract Co. Inc.

George works for Cosden and American Petrofina for 39 years and Bonnie was the Howard County Treasurer for 20 years.

The Franklins are members of First Baptist Church, the Big Spring Squares, Big Spring Amateur Radio Club and Signal Mountain Emmaus Community.

George and Bonnie enjoy traveling.

The couple had this to say about their 50 year marriage: "Our marriage has always been centered around the church and it has made a difference. One of the best quotes for any marriage is 'Don't let the sun go down on your anger.'"

IN THE MILITARY

Air Force Airman James C. Buys has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs



BUYS

and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Buys is the son of Jimmie D. and Rebecca J. Buys of Stanton.

The service member is a 1999 graduate from Greenwood High School in Midland.

WHO'S WHO

Roger Glenn Pope of Big Spring earned a place on the Dean's Honor Roll for the Spring Quarter at Texas State Technical College (TSTC) in Waco.

The Dean's Honor Roll recognizes the scholastic achievement of students with a grade point average of 3.5 to 3.99 for the quarter. Pope recently graduated from TSTC in the Spring Quarter from the Telecommunications program.

The A Honor Roll and Distinguished Student list for the Spring 2000 semester has been released at Tarleton State University, Stephenville.

Students listed on the A Honor Roll have a 4.0 grade point ratio (GPR) on a 4.0 system and are taking a minimum of 12 hours.

Distinguished students included freshmen and sophomores students who have a minimum GPR of 3.25 with no grade lower than C, and juniors and seniors who have a minimum GPR of 3.50 with no grade lower than C and are in good standing.

Area students who were named to the A Honor roll and distinguished student are as follows: Jason N. Henry of Big Spring and Ryan C. Costabile of Colorado City.

Area students who were named to the Distinguished Student list are as follows: Jennifer Nichol Cohn of Big Spring, Kristie D. Havlak of Garden City and Erin Alexis Wheeler of Stanton.

PUBLIC NOTICE

CITY OF BIG SPRING
INVITATION FOR BIDS
The City of Big Spring, Texas, will be receiving sealed bids for Improvements at the City of Big Spring Wastewater Treatment Plant at the Office of the Purchasing Manager, City of Big Spring, 1380 Arpark Drive East, Bldg. 19, Big Spring, Texas 79720-3850, until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 8, 2000, and then from 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 307 East 4th Street, Big Spring, Texas 79720, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Improvements to the Big Spring Wastewater Treatment Plant include replacement of primary clarifier float mechanisms. Additional details are included as well as for secondary clarifier improvements and primary sludge pump station improvements. Bidders must submit a Cashier's or Certified Check, issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Proposal Bond from a reliable Surety Company, payable without recourse to the order of the City of Big Spring, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid submitted as a guaranty that the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds in the terms provided within fifteen (15) days after notice of award of contract to him. Bids without the required check or Proposal Bond will not be considered.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the amount of the contract, written by a responsible Surety Company, authorized to do business in the State of Texas, and satisfactory to the Owner, as required by Article 5160, V.A.T.C.S., as amended by H.B. 344 passed by the 56th Legislature, Regular Session 1958.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions. Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file in the Office of the Public Works Director, City Hall, City of Big Spring, Texas, and at the office of Camp Dresser & McKee, Consulting Engineers, 8140 Walnut Hill Lane, Suite 1000, Dallas, Texas.

Copies of the plans, specifications and contract documents may be secured at the office of Camp Dresser & McKee, Consulting Engineers, 8140 Walnut Hill Lane, Dallas, Texas 75231 (Phone: (214) 346-2800) or at the Office of the Purchasing Manager, City of Big Spring, 1380 Arpark Drive East, Bldg. 19, Big Spring, Texas 79720-3850 (Phone: (915) 264-2388) for a price of Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00) for each set of plans and specifications.

Attention is called to the fact that there must be paid on this project no less than the general prevailing rate and wages which have been established by the Secretary of Labor. Equal Opportunity in Employment: All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex or national origin. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11256, as amended. The requirements for bidders and contractors under this order are explained in the specifications.

City of Big Spring, Texas
By: Honorable Russ McEwen,
Mayor
Attest:
By: Tom Ferguson
City Secretary
2858 July 23 & 30, 2000

ON THE MENU

SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

MONDAY-Chicken, potatoes, squash, vegetable salad, milk/rolls, pudding.

TUESDAY-Hamburgers, French fries, baked beans, lettuce and tomatoes, milk/buns, fruit.

WEDNESDAY-Charbroiled steak, noodles, broccoli and cheese, salad, milk/rolls, apple crisp.

THURSDAY-Liver and onions, baked potatoes, mixed vegetables, salad, milk/rolls, cobbler.

Friday-Brisket, potato salad, beans, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

(GOLIAD, MARCY, BAUER, BIG SPRING JUNIOR HIGH)

MONDAY-Pork cutlet, rice pilaf, green beans, black-eyed-peas, juice, hot roll, milk.

TUESDAY-Nacho grande, pinto beans, corn, mixed fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Chicken sandwich, waffle fries, salad, sliced melon, milk.

THURSDAY-Steak fingers, mashed potatoes, sliced carrots, pineapple tidbits, hot roll, milk.

FRIDAY-Chili dog, French fries, pickle spears, ranch style beans, milk.

HUMANE SOCIETY

Pictured: Sadie - Tri-colored female bird dog mix, 1-year-old plus.

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

Joe - Black and gray male Heeler mix, neutered, 1-year-old.

Rusty - Rusty brown medium size male mix dog, neutered, 1-year-old plus.

Anastasia - Black and tan female German Sheppard, spayed, 2 years old.

Ozzy - Black male Lab mix, neutered, 1-year-old.

Harry - Black male Lab mix, neutered, 1-year-old.

D.L. - Gold colored female Retriever mix, spayed, 8 months old.

Prissy - Black female Terrier mix, spayed, 3 years old plus.

Al - Cream colored male Beagle mix, neutered, 2 years old plus.

Pretty Bow - Gold colored female Chow mix, spayed, 4 years old.

These, plus many more dogs and cats are awaiting adoption. Adoption fees for dogs are just \$60, full blooded dogs are \$100 and cats are \$60.

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Philanthropist to build center in Dallas for contemporary sculpture collection

DALLAS (AP) - A century of modern sculpture resides among the stately trees and lush landscape of real estate developer Ray Nasher's eight-acre garden.

Nasher and his late wife, Patsy, spent four decades assembling the celebrated pieces by Calder, Matisse, Picasso and Rodin into what is widely regarded as the world's most extensive private collection of modern and contemporary sculpture.

Now Nasher has decided to share his collection in a public venue that could make Dallas an important destination for art lovers.

"It will bring a collection of international stature into the public eye," said Jack Lane, a director of the Dallas Museum of Art. "It alone will put Dallas on the visual arts and cultural map."

Although he has long loaned pieces from his \$250 million collection to museums around the world, Nasher said he wanted to create a permanent center for the exhibition and study of modern sculpture.

Construction may start as early as next month on the Nasher Sculpture Center, which is planned to open in spring 2002 in a parking lot adjacent to the Dallas Museum of Art. The 2.4-acre outdoor garden will feature a rotating mix of about 20 works, from a pool of 67 outdoor sculptures by 42 famed artists.

The project, designed by acclaimed architects Renzo Piano and Peter Walker, also will include an indoor gallery, auditorium, cafe and educational institute.

Landing the \$30-million project, which Nasher's Foundation is funding, was quite a boon for Dallas. The National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C., the Tate Gallery in London and the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum in New York all vied for the center.

Nasher, 78, said he decided to keep his cherished collection in the city where he prospered.

"We had good fortune here," said Nasher, whose real estate projects include Northpark Center in

Dallas. "We felt strongly that this would be a place we could help become an international cultural center. This will make Dallas the world center of modern sculpture."

The collection covers a broad span, ranging from the pioneering work of Auguste Rodin, Paul Gauguin and Medardo Rosso in the late 19th century to works by contemporary artists like Tony Cragg and Richard Serra.

"It is, by far, the most important collection of modern sculpture in private hands anywhere in the world," said Steven Nash, chief curator and associate director of the Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco. "Trying to buy these works would be impossible to find or afford."

Many of the most important art movements of the past century are represented, including cubism, futurism, surrealism, abstract expressionism and minimalism.

"It offers an encyclopedic history of 20th century

sculpture," said Robert Rosenblum, an art history professor at New York University who has written a catalog about the collection. "There are probably very few museums with a collection this thorough."

The center itself will be an architectural draw.

Piano has designed five slender pavilions leading to the gently sloped outdoor garden. Walls of pale Italian travertine will be treated to look like the products of an archaeological dig; a vaulted glass roof supported by thin steel rods will screen out the harsh Texas sun.

Visitors will be able to see into the garden from the entrance to the pavilion. But once on the lawn, not all the sculptures will be visible from any one location. Visitors will be encouraged to step off the stone pathways and view the works from all sides.

"Sculpture is three dimensional," Nasher said. "You have to walk about it. A great piece of sculpture changes as you go around it."

Doctors say mentally ill children can't control behaviors, language

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Most doctors believe that severely mentally ill children can't control their violent behaviors and language. Punishing them for an outburst is like punishing a child for breaking a lamp during an epileptic seizure, said Dr. Demitri Papolos, author of the best-selling book "The Bipolar Child."

Andy and Wes won't turn their backs on their son. Sometimes, they glimpse his potential.

Bryan can repair a broken VCR when neither of his parents can figure it out. He loves to work with his hands, and spends hours with his father tinkering with the family's truck or doing yardwork.

"I love my son dearly. He's only got one or two periods a month when I can do anything with him. But it's either that or give up, and I don't see where it's worth giving up," Wes said. "There's far too much potential that tells me he's incredibly bright and has a chance."

Families and doctors say that mentally ill children - however horrifying their stories - can become productive, talented, creative and loving citizens.

State Rep. Garnet Coleman, D-Houston, for example, was so sick with bipolar a few years ago that he was hospitalized. Today, recovered and on medication, he is credited with pushing through anti-discrimination legislation that mental-health advocates call some of the best in Texas.

But treatment is crucial. Severely ill children who languish without proper medication and therapy

often commit suicide, abuse their parents, are expelled from school, get arrested, hurt themselves in accidents caused by impulsive behavior or otherwise lead tormented lives filled with fear, rage, confusion and pain.

About four years ago, a worried nurse tried to give battered-women's literature to a Jeri, a mother from Northeast Tarrant County who asked that her last name not be used.

The nurse had seen bruises and scars, the result of years of being kicked and having her nose broken, her shoulder dislocated, chairs thrown at her.

"It's not my husband that's doing this to me," Jeri told the nurse. "It's my 9-year-old daughter. ... She's crazy; she's insane; she's the devil. Really, I feel like I live with the devil."

Jeri has been trying to get help for her daughter since psychosis set in around age 6, about the time the girl began threatening to kill her mother, then herself.

"This girl will end up on Death Row," said Jeri. "I know she will. And I'll be apologizing to the family of someone she victimized."

Now that her daughter is 13, Jeri stares at her locked bedroom door every morning, wondering what's on the other side, wondering if today's the day she'll die.

Research on medication and treatment for mentally ill children is giving hope to many that reliable diagnoses and successful treatments will be developed in their lifetimes.

But patience is difficult. "I don't expect much from anybody anymore," said Jeri.

All Sunday life! items are due Wednesday noon.

For more information call 263-7331, ext. 236.

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Burlington Northern and Canadian National call off merger plans

DALLAS (AP) — Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corp. and Canadian National Railway Co. said they have ended their attempt to merge and create the largest railway in North America.

The freight railroads said they were unwilling to endure a long wait for regulators to approve the merger, valued at \$6.2 billion when it was announced in December.

In March, the federal Surface Transportation Board imposed a moratorium on rail mergers until at least June 2001, and the compa-

nies estimated their deal would not be approved before late 2002.

"We had looked forward to creating a company that could have been the leader in every aspect of the rail industry," Paul M. Tellier, Canadian National's president and chief executive, said. "But the delay and uncertainty caused by the STB's moratorium and proposed rule making made it impossible for us to continue with our combination efforts."

The merger was met with opposition by shippers from the moment it was announced.

Shippers complained that past mergers, especially Union Pacific Corp.'s 1996 acquisition of Southern Pacific Rail Corp. and last year's splitting of Conrail Inc. between Norfolk Southern Corp. and CSX Corp., had caused massive delays and poor service.

Burlington Northern, based in Fort Worth, Texas, and Montreal-based Canadian National went to court to block the Surface Transportation Board's 15-month moratorium on new mergers, saying the agency was exceeding its authority. But the U.S. Court of

Appeals in Washington, voting 2-1, upheld the federal agency's decision last Friday.

"Burlington Northern didn't have an appetite to wait another 1 or 2 years to carry out the merger," said James Valentine, an analyst for Morgan Stanley Dean Witter.

Valentine said the railroads can now examine mergers with other partners or revive the failed combination when the moratorium expires next summer.

"If this merger was so compelling when they announced it in

December, it will be just as compelling a year from now," added James Higgins, an analyst with Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette, who said dropping the deal was "absolutely right."

Valentine and Jenrette both predicted consolidation will eventually reduce the six largest freight railroads to two.

The companies said there would be no breakup fee. The merger agreement included a \$450 million payment by Burlington Northern or a \$200 million payment by Canadian if either killed the deal.



Patsy Shaw, center, receives a plaque for 25 years of postal service from her supervisor, Postmaster Gloria Jimenez. Looking on at left is Judy Hale, a relief postal carrier. Shaw began her postal career on April 2, 1975, at the Coahoma Post Office. She also received a 25-year pin to go with the plaque. Jimenez said Shaw is a dedicated postal service worker and has a high priority to customer and community service.

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Technology

Handheld computers explode in popularity as functionality increases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Brett Bendickson, a Web site developer at the University of Arizona, says he couldn't get along without his handheld computer. He reads magazine articles on it, writes down ideas and downloads every piece of interesting new software he can find.

"I've used it while on the road to log in and check e-mail and even to restart production systems," he boasts of his Palm IIIe.

With faster, more expandable and more useful handheld computers on the market, more Americans are opting for a pocket-size gadget costing a few hundred dollars rather than lug around a laptop computer that can cost a hefty \$2,000.

Finding one to buy may be the hardest part of all.

Palm Inc., the nation's largest manufacturer of handhelds, is exceeding its own rosy sales projections, and is experiencing nationwide supply problems because of the demand.

"Even with our strong performance, demand for Palm products still outstripped supply in an environment of industry-wide component shortages," Carl Yankowski, Palm's CEO, said in an earnings briefing.

The explosion in popularity of handheld computers has closely tracked the devices' increased functionality.

The earliest generation of Palms were little more than electronic Rolodexes — with an address book, calculator and memo pad for note-taking. They couldn't be used by workers for such routine tasks as accessing the corporate network and reading e-mail.

The latest generation from Palm, Handspring Inc. and vendors using Microsoft Corp.'s Pocket PC operating system have added all sorts of attachments, including telephone and wireless

The latest handheld computers allow their owners to write and receive e-mail and faxes, send and receive pages, download files and even browse the Web.

modems that allow their owners to write and receive e-mail and faxes, send and receive pages, download files and even browse the Web. The only limitation is the amount of data that can be viewed at once on the small screen.

Fellow handheld users can beam information back and forth using infrared technology, and some of their devices now come with color screens. They also have the option of add-on gadgets and software that can play music, view and take pictures, allow users to read complete books and even function as a television remote control.

The functionality is so improved that many doctors now use handhelds to keep track of patient records, and workers at some Texas oil fields and the morning hosts at an Indiana radio station use them to input and exchange information.

"For us, it's about providing our customers with choice and easy access, so they can connect wherever and whenever they want," said Prudential spokesman Mike Hanretta. Prudential customers and employees can access insurance quotes and stock quotes, and even find real estate listings or find a real estate agent with a wireless Palm VII.

Garden City graduates receive four-year scholarships

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Two Garden City graduates came one step closer to their dreams of a college education when the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo presented each of them with a four-year, \$10,000 scholarship during ceremonies at the Texas 4-H Roundup in College Station.

The two were among 70 Texas 4-H individuals receiving scholarships from the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Deidra Deanne Hirt, daughter of Lana and Chris Hirt, and Jill Denise Hoelscher, daughter of



HIRT HOELSCHER

Karla J. and Tommy J. Hoelscher, were selected by the Texas 4-H Foundation.

The scholarship recipients all demonstrated academic excellence and strong leadership skills throughout their high school and 4-H careers. To qualify, recipients of Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo 4-H schol-

arships must pursue a degree in agriculture or life sciences at a Texas college or university.

Hirt plans on attending Howard College this fall and will pursue a degree in nursing. She is a 4-H Gold Star award holder, was a class officer, honor roll student, homecoming queen, head cheerleader, member of the National Honor Society and participated in basketball and track.

Hoelscher plans to attend Texas A&M University in the fall and will major in agricultural development. Like Hirt, Hoelscher is a 4-H Gold Star holder, varsity cheerleader, Glasscock

County 4-H president, Student Council treasurer, basketball team captain, class president and listed in Who's Who among American High School students.

Since the show presented its first scholarship in 1957, more than 17,000 educational awards have been presented, including 1,225 4-H scholarships totaling more than \$10 million. In addition to 4-H scholarships, the show presents FFA, FHA, Area Go Texan, Metropolitan, Opportunity and School Art scholarships as part of its current educational commitment of more than \$8.3 million.

Howard County youth attend Texas 4-H Congress

Two Howard County 4-H members attended Texas 4-H Congress this past week. They are Kyle Knight and Meagan Knight.

This is an activity where 4-H members age 15 or older across the state have an opportunity to experience

the legislative process that a bill has to go through in order to become a law.

The program is held in the State Capitol in Austin, in the House and Senate Chambers.

Five hundred 4-H members from across the state were involved in this legislative process.

All participants are asked to submit bogus legislation in the form of a bill.

Membership then decides on the bill that will be introduced. Members assume roles as senators,

representatives, lobbyists and journalists.

The legislation is written up and assigned to the appropriate committee for debate in the house and senate.

All 4-H members learn several valuable lessons through this process. They learn the legislative process for Texas, and they also learn how to work with people and how to compromise on solutions for the good of others.

4-H members are involved for two days with this

process. At the end of the event, some bills are signed into law by the youth congress group and forwarded to the Texas Governor's office for review.

This was all possible due to donations from private industry as well as support from Howard County 4-H Adult Leaders for the two Howard County participants.

David Knight is the Howard County extension agent-agricultural. He can be contacted at 264-2236

At Big Spring's StarTek, it's never all work and no play

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Competition was fierce at StarTek last week as contestants battled it out to win events held during employee appreciation week.

"Our customer service care employees are the foundation of the business," said human resources manager Shelby Christensen. "They are the rock that holds the entire center together."

StarTek provides technical support customer service. The Big Spring center employs close to 300 people, Christensen said.

"This particular center provides service to clients on American On Line," she said. "We have about 300 customer service employees who help troubleshoot prob-

lems over the phone for clients on AOL."

Events kicked off with a blood drive on Monday. Employee Donna Salazar won a special \$25 prize associated with the drive.

"We had a high number of participants," Christensen said. "We had close to 25 donors. We usually have a really good response for the blood drive."

On Tuesday, employees battled it out in a three-on-three basketball tournament held in the College Park Shopping Center parking lot from noon until 5 p.m.

"We blocked off part of the parking lot for the tournament," Christensen said. "We had close to 10 teams participate."

Competition was fierce, Christensen said, and at the end, team members Rene Flores, Jason Watson, Jason Birdwell and Brad Long stood as the victors.

In the obstacle course, contestants performed a variety of office tasks while always remaining on their



StarTek employees competed in a three-on-three basketball tournament last week. The competition started at noon and lasted until 5 p.m. The tournament was just one of the events held during StarTek employee appreciation week.

rolling chair.

"They had to go through an obstacle course where they had to toss paper in a

basket, go around and staple pieces of paper — they like that — alphabetize, pour a glass of water and

balance it while they rolled across the finish line."

The fastest time went to Patrick North, who com-



pleted the obstacle course in 45 seconds.

George Harwood came away as the winner of the table tennis tournament.

Friday culminated the week with awards given to the winners — \$25 in cash. Employees wore football jerseys to work that day.

According to Christensen, StarTek holds employee appreciation events every month.

"We want to have a fun environment," she said. "The events are determined by a group of peers in a committee I chair, not by management. They tell us what they want to do, and we manage it."

Previous employee appreciation events held were ice cream day served to the customer care employees by management and a Cinco De Mayo celebration.

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Marriage Licenses:
Richard Joseph Nunez, 39, and Patricia Ayala Nunez, 43
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Juan Munoz Ruiz Jr., 25, and Sandra Lee Lain, 23
Brant William Murphy, 26, and Stephanie Gail Anderson, 19
Luke Cyrus Jewett, 27, and Sherry Leigh Brown, 21
Joshua Eric Taylor, 19, and Maggie May Ryan, 17
Scott Allen Mackenzie, 24, and Erin Denise Roberts
Lehbronn Farr Jr., 25, and Elizabeth Marie Wheat, 23
Rafael Mendez Vazquez, 32, and Juanita Martha Garcia, 36

Deeds:

Warranty Deeds:
grantor: David Allen Risner and wife, Marjorie Risner
grantee: Ronald L. Howell and wife, Patricia M. Howell
property: Lots 8 and 10, blk. 6, Lakeview Addition
filed: July 7, 2000
grantor: John Dutchover Perez and Darlene Marie Bursch (W/A Darlene Marie Perez)
grantee: Evilita Perez
property: Lot 2, blk. 1, Highland Park Addition
filed: July 10, 2000
grantor: Helen Spiller, Individually and as Independent Executrix of the Estate of Earl F. Spiller and Gayland C. Harding as Independent Executor and Trustee under the terms of the Wills of G.B. Harding and Irene Harding, deceased
grantee: James L. Green and Cheryl A. Green
property: 9.82 acres out of the north half sec. 47, blk. 31
filed: July 10, 2000
grantor: Robert L. McDonald
grantee: Rosa Zermeno
property: Lot 9, blk. 3, Marshall Fields Estates
filed: July 10, 2000
grantor: Patricia Ann McIntire
grantee: John Lyons
property: All of lot 10, blk. 3, Stanford Park
filed: July 10, 2000
grantor: Donald Mack Rosow
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000
grantor: Clifford Smedsrud Jr.
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000
grantor: Dennis Smedsrud
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Connie K. Neagle
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Thomas Park Reinhardt
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: James Caldwell
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Barbara E. Pieper
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Bruce Caldwell
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Russell McCloud
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Doris Storbek
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Donald Wayne Sorenson
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Dennis Lee Sorenson
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Lonnie R. Blaylock
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Clodell McCloud
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Shirley D. Tyler
grantee: Don B. Estill
property: Sec. 10, blk. 31
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Charles R. Tessier Jr. and Sarah D. Tessier
grantee: Mariano G. Granados and Odilia O. Granados
property: The Surface Estate only of lots 8, 9, 10 and 11, blk. 1, in the town of Vealmoor.
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Donald Dean Mills and spouse, Jarnia Mills
grantee: Sixto Rios
property: Lot 11, blk. 6, Douglass Addition
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: J.W. Alfred Gregory
grantee: Maria de Los Angeles Lopez
property: The west 75 feet of lot 14, blk. 4, Wright's Second Addition
filed: July 12, 2000

grantor: Viola Neas
grantee: Sandra K. Rhodes
property: A tract of land out of a 1.47 acre tract out of sec. 6, blk. 32
filed: July 13, 2000

grantor: Luis D. Perez
grantee: Cathy Greenhill Perez
property: Lot 1, saved and except the South 14 feet hereof, blk. 5, Wright's Second Addition
filed: July 14, 2000

Warranty deed with vendor's lien:
grantor: James Lynn Matthews Jr.
grantee: Paula Brooks and spouse, Terry Brooks
property: Lot 27, blk. 5, Kentwood Unit 1, addition
filed: July 7, 2000

grantor: A.K. Guthrie
grantee: Jimmy Hector and Gene Hector
property: A 2.3 acre tract of land out of the southeast quarter, sec. 48, blk. 32 A 2.30 acre tract of land, more or less, out of the southeast quarter of sec. 48, blk. 32
filed: July 10, 2000

grantor: David Smith and wife, Lynn Smith
grantee: Lois O. Ray and wife, Lyn Nell Ray
property: A 237.5 acre tract of farm land situated in Howard County, more particularly described as the northeast quarter sec. 17, blk. 32
filed: July 10, 2000

grantor: Willie L. Garrett and wife, Mildred Garrett
grantee: Robert Edmund Freitag Jr. and wife, Rita Diane Freitag
property: Lots 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, blk. 19, Original Town of Forsan
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Adelino Vieira and Barbara Vieira
grantee: Richard Gomez
property: The south half of lot 2, blk. 1, Parkview Addition
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Ronald Howell and wife, Patricia M. Howell
grantee: Maria Irene Resendez
property: Lot 8, blk. 6, Lakeview Addition
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum
grantee: Gaylon Knowlton
property: All of lot 13, blk. 6, Stanford Park
filed: July 11, 2000

grantor: Robert D. Miller and joined pro forma with wife, Mary Miller
grantee: William G. Taylor and wife, Sharran N. Taylor
property: All of lot 2, blk. 7, Highland South #4
filed: July 12, 2000

grantor: Johnny Lee Palmer and Mary Palmer
grantee: Jacob Oliver Burcham and Cherie Lee Burcham
property: The west 15 feet of lot 16 and all lot 17, blk. 10, Edwards Heights
filed: July 13, 2000

grantor: Arthur Williams and wife, Karen Williams
grantee: Gunner Pickett
property: Being a 16.07 acre tract of land out of a 152.5 acre tract in the north portion of sec. 14, blk. 33
filed: July 14, 2000

grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum
grantee: John Rentena
property: All of lot 4, blk. 4, Hillcrest Terrace
filed: July 14, 2000

filed: July 14, 2000

grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum
grantee: Robert Greene
property: All of lot 3, blk. 7, Monticello Addition
filed: July 14, 2000

grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum
grantee: Robert Greene
property: All of lot 6, blk. 16, Monticello Addition
filed: July 14, 2000

118th District Court Filings:

Divorce:
Gary Dwayne Bradbury vs. Laura Elizabeth Bradbury
Robert Wade Cobb vs. Lisa Anne Cobb
Saray Lam vs. Dung Nguyen
Manuela S. Rivas vs. Mario D. Rivas
Misty Maelee Adwell vs. David Ira Adwell
Sharon Elouise Filson vs. Frank Jess Filson
Ming Sue Taylor vs. Robert E. Taylor
Christopher Michael Lee vs. Judy Marie Lee
James Walter Salvato vs. Joe Jean Salvato
Juanita Carol Leonard vs. Gene Laroy Leonard
Kristi Gordon Grosse vs. David Lee Grosse
Layla Ann Dunnham vs. Thomas Derrick Dunnham

Accounts, Notes and Contracts:
Carl Burleson vs. Esteban Martinez and Martinez Transport Inc.
Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union vs. Robert and Jana Read
Superior Band FSB vs. Daniel Olvera Perez
Citizens Federal Credit Union vs. Jerry L. Edwards
Family:
Christy McMahan vs. Richard Price
Diane Valencia vs. Jose Ernest Valencia Sr.
Felicia Marie Hinojosa vs. Randy Perez
Brandy Antuna vs. Fabian Chavera

Court Rulings:
Edward Garcia vs. Donald E. Cummings, accounts, notes and contracts—transfer
Debra L. Davis vs. Thomas Garland Hannum, family—judgment
Oscar Prince Garcia vs. Priscilla Ann Deleon, divorce—granted
Shawn Coker vs. Lana Coker, divorce—judgment
Irma Moreno vs. Joe Moreno, divorce—granted
Tina Marie Rose vs. Timothy Ray Rose, divorce—granted
John Luke Yarbar vs. Leslie Carol Yarbar, divorce—granted
Michael Steven Calvio vs. Debra Jean Calvio, divorce—granted

Mozelle Osborne vs. James M. Osborne, divorce—judgment
Barbara Michelle Green vs. Michiel Wayne Green, divorce—judgment
Erlinda Olivas vs. Guerrero Olivas, family—judgment
Debbie R. Yandrich vs. Jimmy Benavides, family—judgment
Texas Farmers Insurance Company vs. Gaylon R. North, accounts, notes and contracts—judgment
Daniel Lane Brewster vs. Amanda Larays Brewster, divorce—granted
W.A. Burchell Jr. vs. Lovetta Bowlin Burchell, divorce—granted
William H. Carter vs. Vicky L. Carter, divorce—granted
Larry Gene Chandler vs. Brenda Sue Chandler, divorce—granted
Larry Charles Peterson vs. Sally Ann Peterson, divorce—granted
Victoria Perez vs. Israel Perez, family—judgment
Sears, Roebuck and Co. vs. Lawrence R. Lozano, accounts, notes and contracts—judgment
Mary Katherine Juarez vs. Reynaldo Juarez, divorce—granted
Bank of America N.A. vs. Stanley S. Phillips, accounts notes and contracts—dismissed
Sears, Roebuck and Co. vs. Amelia C. Hurren, accounts, notes and contracts—judgment
Sears, Roebuck and Co. vs. Russell S. Meyer, accounts, notes and contracts—dismissed
Bobby Lee Cox vs. Janetta Lynn Cox, family—judgment
Janie M. Ortiz vs. Adolfo Franco, family—dismissed
Alexander Valencia vs. Joann Herrera, family—judgment
Carol Ann Berry vs. Jimmy Eugene Berry, family—judgment
Kenra Denise Bartee vs. Emmet Howard Bartee, family—judgment
Derrick L. Houston vs. Anthony Wright, family—judgment
Christina Perez vs. Cruz Gutierrez, family—judgment
Vincenta Dell Socorro Portocarrero vs. Felix Alfonso Portocarrero, divorce—judgment
Providian National Bank vs. Anna B. Holguin aka Anna Peane, accounts notes and contracts—judgment
Nicole M. Hernandez vs. Anthony George Hernandez, family—judgment
Clint Lackey, Jacqueline Perez vs. Camilo Martin Nieto Jr., injuries and damages with a motor vehicle—judgment
Miguel Mario Zapata vs. Julia Garza, family—dismissed
Noemi Alvarez vs. Gerald Jpe Alvarez, divorce—judgment
Sears, Roebuck and Company vs. Pamela J. Jameson, accounts, notes and contracts—dismissed
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