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Big Spring Mall

The Big Spring Mall is sponsoring a blood drive on Saturday inside the mall, north of Santa Fe Sandwiches from 12 p.m. until 5 p.m.

Donors will receive a T-shirt and a \$5 mall gift certificate, said mall manager Kathy Lusk.

Lusk encourages any one interested to call 267-3852 to make an appointment. Making an appointment will help speed the donation process.

Walk ins will not be turned away, Lusk said, but their donation time may take a little longer to process.

Donors must be 17 years old, weigh more than 110 pounds, be in good health, carry proof of identification and know the names of any medication they have taken in the past 30 days.

The Big Spring Herald will hold a blood drive on Aug. 10, and the United Blood Services bloodmobile will be in the parking lot of Wal-Mart on Aug. 28.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ Texas Workforce Center, 6 p.m., free seminar on Career Opportunities with StarTek.

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

FRIDAY

□ Signal Mountain Quilting Guild, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church. 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.

□ VFW Post 2013 presents the Gamblers, a county western rock and roll blues band, 8 p.m. until midnight, \$4 singles, \$7 couples, VFW Post 2013 Bar and Lounge, 500 Driver Road.

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Three Howard County residents killed in crash near Midland

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

A two-vehicle accident on a north I-20 service road 3-1/2 miles west of Midland claimed the lives of three Howard County residents around 4 p.m. Thursday.

Pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Michael Wallace were Larry Joe Padron, 25, of Big Spring; Michael Anthony Rodriguez, 29, of Big Spring;

and Annie Marie Harrison, 17, of Coahoma. All died instantly, according to Department of Public Safety reports.

Injured in the accident was Rosa Cuellar, 25, of Big Spring. She is listed in stable condition at Midland Memorial with two broken shoulders.

Also injured was Charles Shipman, 23, of Midland. Shipman, originally refused treatment at the scene but

later asked to be taken to Midland Memorial Hospital. He was treated for his and later released.

The accident occurred when a 1990 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Padron failed to yield right of way to a Southwestern Bell work truck driven by Shipman. The work truck hit the Grand Am broadside, according to the DPS.

According to reports, emergency personnel were

able to remove one of individuals killed in the accident was from the passenger side of the car while the other two had to be removed by firefighters using the Jaws of Life.

A DPS report indicated that about an hour and a half after the accident, three cars passing by to look at the accident were involved in a minor accident. Sonya Harrell, a communications supervisor with the DPS

office in Midland, said a late-model Cavalier made an abrupt stop in front of the crash site, causing the driver of a late-model Nissan to rear-end a Ford pickup behind the Cavalier.

All three drivers of that accident were ticketed.

Funeral services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home for Rodriguez and Harrison, and at Myers & Smith Funeral Home for Padron.

Registration nears for new school year

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

Over the next few weeks, local and area students will start registering for a new school year.

July 31-Aug. 4, and Aug. 7-11 are registration dates for new students to the Big Spring district in grades 6 through 12, with hours from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m.

Aug. 4-8, all new BSISD kindergarten through eighth graders may register at the school they will be attending. Registration is open from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aug. 4, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Aug. 7, and 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. on Aug. 8.

Parents must sign registration cards. Kindergarten students and first grade not attending a Texas Kindergarten should bring birth certificates and immunization records. On Aug. 11, from 1 to 3 p.m., students and parents are encouraged to visit the kindergarten center to meet their child's teacher.

Goliad Elementary students in grades 1-5 will have an orientation Aug. 15 from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the Goliad gym. Parents must accompany students.

All Personalized Achievement Center students register Aug. 4-8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 421 Main Street. Space is limited, and students are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

Parents of returning students who will attend sixth grade at Goliad Elementary should sign registration cards from 8 a.m. to noon



Bauer Magnet School secretary Laura Murphree, left, and Bauer principal Andre Clark inventory a box of office supplies this morning in preparation for the new school year. Many teachers have already gone back to school to prepare their classroom for the new year.

and 1 to 4 p.m. July 31-Aug. 4 and Aug. 7-11. Orientation and schedule pick-up is scheduled for Aug. 15 from 9-10 a.m. in the Goliad gym. Parents must accompany students.

On Aug. 14 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. seventh graders will have an orientation, an open house and can pick up their schedules at Big Spring Junior High. Eighth graders will have an orientation and open house, and

pick up schedules from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Parents must accompany both seventh and eighth graders.

Ninth grade students will have an orientation and be able to pick up their schedules from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Aug. 14 in the high school auditorium.

From 9 to 11:30 a.m., 10th graders will pick up schedules from the high school office on Aug. 14.

Aug. 15 from 9 to 11:30

a.m., 11th graders are required to pick up schedules from the high school office, and from 1:30 to 3 p.m., seniors will pick up schedules also in the high school office.

Big Spring ISD schools begin classes Wednesday, Aug. 16.

Forsan ISD will also be conducting its registration in just over a week.

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Deadline nears to donate school supplies for drive

By ALLISON THOMAS
Staff Writer

As the deadline to donate supplies to the Salvation Army school supply drive draws near, more individuals, businesses and groups are coming forward to help.

Employees of the Covenant Malone & Hogan Clinic will be making a large donation of supplies Friday, and the Salvation Army has announced it will continue the drive for two more weeks.

The Salvation Army school supply drive is a yearly event that helps children from low-income

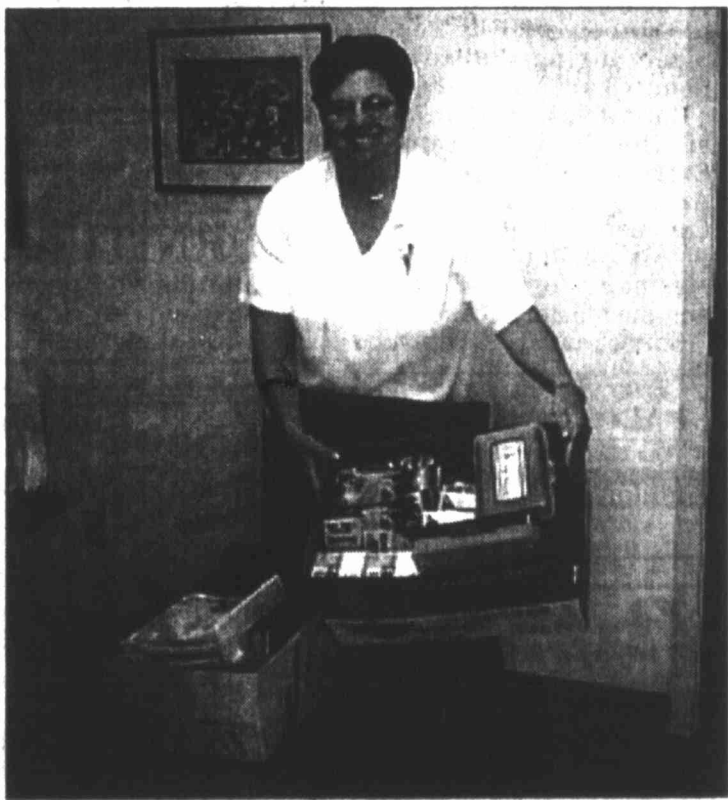
families prepare for the coming school year. The supplies will be handed out to children in kindergarten through eighth grade on Aug. 11, from 9 a.m. until noon.

"I'll be delivering the supplies tomorrow afternoon around 5 (p.m.)," said Danelle Castillo, billing and collections specialist for Texas Surgery in Malone & Hogan Clinic. "We will gather everyone's collections of supplies together at some time tomorrow morning."

The clinic's donation, which consists of two large boxes containing various supplies, is composed of supplies gathered personally by clinic employees and combined to make one large donation.

"We have two boxes full of assorted stuff, like pens,

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Bonnie Miller, special project coordinator for Covenant Malone & Hogan Clinic, displays the collection of school supplies clinic employees have gathered to donate to the Salvation Army. The Salvation Army will be accepting donations for its annual school supply drive until Aug. 11.

Big Spring's Coca-Cola warehouse to close

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

The Coca-Cola Bottling Co. is shutting down its warehouse and distribution operation in Big Spring, according to David Sords of the corporate office in Austin.

"We have announced a restructuring of the warehouse and distribution operations in Big Spring," said

Sords. "The warehouse and distribution operations will be consolidating with the Coca-Cola operations in Odessa, Lubbock and Abilene."

Sords said the Big Spring warehouse and distribution center will close either the first or second week in August.

The local operation employs 24 people. Sords said all of the employees will be offered positions

with Coca-Cola at other locations.

"The restructuring will provide significant opportunities for the local bottler to generate greater efficiencies in the distribution system in order to improve our service to our customers and consumers," said Sords. "The company expects to have minimal disruption for our workforce."

Sords said the company will still have a presence in

the Big Spring area, especially through its relationship with Western Container, which makes plastic bottles for Coca-Cola.

"As we have demonstrated in the past, the company remains dedicated to the community and will continue to support those organizations and business partners with whom we have had relationships for so many years," Sords said Wednesday.

Not guilty

Jury decides man didn't assault girl

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

It took a jury less than 30 minutes to come back with a not guilty verdict for Verlin Wayne Harrington, 25, on a charge of sexual assault of a child in the 118th District Court on Wednesday.

Harrington was charged with the sexual assault of a 14-year-old female on or about Jan. 9.

"I have to respect the service the jury rendered in this case," said Robin Orr, Howard County assistant district attorney. "Personally, I am disappointed."

According to testimony from the victim's father, Mike Peterson, he and Harrington and two others had gotten together on Jan. 8 and gone to the Ice House Sports Bar. They drank until the early morning hours of Jan. 9.

"We returned home around 2:30 a.m. and it was suggested that Verlin stay the night because of the events of the evening," said Peterson. "I had set up a mattress in the living room for him to sleep on and I went to sleep on the sofa."

Peterson was asked about what he had observed when he woke up.

"I always keep the TV on and it was turned off when I had awoke," he explained. "The other thing I had observed was that Verlin wasn't on the mattress."

As Peterson had testified, he went to check on his children and that was when he found Harrington in bed with his daughter.

"I was shocked and just stood there like an idiot. I didn't know what to do," he said. "I yelled out a profanity and told him to get out and he grabbed his stuff and ran out."

According to Peterson, Harrington had apologized to him on his way out.

The victim testified that Harrington had pinned her down and told her to be quiet.

In testimony given by Dr. Robert Bruha, he had examined the victim and found no trauma that would indicate penetration.

The defense also brought in David Young, Texas Department of Public Safety Crime Lab out of Lubbock.

Young testified to the fact that no semen had been found on any of the evidence presented to him.

"The jury has spoken based on the evidence presented," said Norvert Morales, defense attorney. "They did a great job and we are glad things worked out for Verlin."

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OBITUARIES

Geneva Tooley Bowermon

Graveside service for Geneva Tooley Bowermon, 82, of Lubbock will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, July 29, 2000, at Resthaven Memorial Park with the Rev. Bill Jernigan officiating.

Burial is under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Ms. Bowermon died on Wednesday July 26, 2000, at her residence.

She was born on Sept. 30, 1917, in Chillicothe and moved to Lubbock in 1961 from Pampa. She married Robert P. Bowermon on April 7, 1946, in Pampa. He preceded her in death on July 29, 1989. She was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include: one daughter, Paula Stephens Bishop and husband, Robert, of Georgetown; one son, Robert Kent Bowermon and wife, Kathie, of Big Spring; one sister, Mary Lou Butler of Fort Worth; four grandchildren, Shermette Jackson of Austin, Clay Stephens of Iowa City, Iowa, Keely Dunn of Dallas and Kade Bowermon of College Station; three great-grandchildren, Stacie Hall, Kristen Stephens and Travis Naumann; and one great-grandchild, Keesley Hall.

The family suggest memorials be made to Hospice of Lubbock, P.O. Box 53276, Lubbock, 79453.

Paid obituary

Michael Anthony Rodriguez

Funeral service for Michael Anthony Rodriguez, 29, of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mr. Rodriguez died Wednesday, July 26, 2000, in Midland due to injuries received in an auto accident.

Fannie Ada Murphy Chandler

Funeral service for Fannie Ada Murphy Chandler, 92, Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Saturday, July 29, 2000, at Myers & Smith Chapel with Ralph Anderson and Rodney Tedford officiating. Burial will be in Westbrook Cemetery.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Larry Padron, 25, died Wednesday. Services are pending.

Fannie Ada Murphy Chandler, 92, died Wednesday. Services are 10:00 AM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial is in Westbrook Cemetery.

NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home

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

Annie Marie Harrison, 17, died Wednesday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Michael Anthony Rodriguez, 29, died Wednesday. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

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Sands High School has announced its registration dates as follows: Aug. 3 seniors pick up schedules at 9 a.m., juniors at 11 a.m., sophomores at 1 p.m. and freshman at 3 p.m. On Aug. 4, all new high school students need to register. Aug. 15 begins the first day of classes.

Colorado City ISD will have registration beginning Aug. 8.

Colorado High School students in grade 12 will register from 9 a.m. to noon and 11th graders will register from 1 to 4 p.m. on Aug. 8. Tenth grade students register from 9 a.m. to noon and 9th graders from 1 to 4 p.m. on Aug. 9. Colorado Middle School will have registration on Aug. 15. Sixth graders meet at 9 a.m., 7th graders at 10 a.m. and 8th grade students at 11 a.m. Both Kelley and Hutchinson Elementary Schools will register their students on Aug. 15 at 9 a.m. Colorado schools begin Aug. 17.

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pencils, notebooks and tablets for the kindergartners," said Castillo.

"There was a need, and we wanted to help fill it," said Castillo.

The Salvation Army is accepting donations for the drive in the form of 8-pack and 24-pack crayons, scissors, glue, pencils, spiral notebooks, pink erasers, boxes of facial tissue, school boxes, notebook paper, red grading pencils and pens, 12-inch rulers, map colors and markers.

Coordinators at the Salvation Army cite the clinic's donation as a good example of community involvement.

"This is great," said Patricia Aaron, a caseworker with the Salvation Army. "We had quite a bit on hand, and this will help a whole lot."

Aaron is pleased with the community response to the supply drive. There are currently 102 families and 191 children who will be able to receive supplies.

"We've received several donations of cash and supplies to make this possible," said Aaron.

Donations will continue to be accepted until the distribution date of Aug. 11. All donations should be taken to the Salvation Army headquarters, 811 West Fifth.

Federal judge shuts down Napster site

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal judge shut down the trading of music on Napster Inc. on Wednesday, saying the online company was encouraging "wholesale infringing" against music industry copyrights.

U.S. District Judge Marilyn Hall Patel noted that 70 million people are expected to be using Napster by year's end.

"What lures them is the infringing use," Patel said. Patel said the injunction will go into effect at midnight Friday, after the nation's largest record producers post a \$5 million bond against any financial losses Napster suffers from being shut down pending a trial.

Napster said it would appeal. The Recording Industry Association of America sued Napster in December, accusing the San Mateo, Calif.-based company of encouraging an unrestrained, illegal, online bazaar.

Napster argued that personal copying of music is protected by federal law. Napster provided a clear target for the lawsuit because the song files in question actually reside on the company's computer servers. The injunction will likely have no effect on Gnutella and other decentralized "freeware" technologies spawned by Napster. With Gnutella, there is no center, the song files are traded directly between a constantly changing collection of computer users.

The music industry has made Napster the focus of a long-running dispute between copyright owners and Internet enthusiasts who believe information of all sorts should be traded freely.

"All of this litigation is really setting the groundwork for what is going to be the future of the Internet," said Larry Iser, an intellectual property attorney.

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

TEXAS LOTTERY

Pick 3: 3,0,6
Lotto: 9,14,24,27,42,52

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

THE DEPARTMENT OF THE CONTINUING EDUCATION and Workforce Training at Howard College plans to offer a variety of fun and educational classes for the Fall such as Line Dancing, Quilting, Philosophy for Fun and maybe even Yoga. To suggest other ideas for classes, call Continuing Education at 264-5131.

SUPPORT GROUPS

THURSDAY
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting.

•A.D.D.A.P.T. non-profit support and learning organization about attention deficit disorder, learning disorders and dyslexia. Meets second Thursday of September, October, November, January, February, March, April and May, Cerebral Palsy building, 802 Ventura, Midland.

•Al-Anon support group, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

FRIDAY
•Turning Point A.A., 8-9:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10th and Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. Big Book Study.

•NA 8 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Call 268-4189 (pager no.).

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

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

BRIEFS

THE GRAND OPENING OF THE VFW Post 2013 bar and lounge is planned this weekend, starting with live music from 8 p.m. - midnight Friday and 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Saturday at 500 Driver Road.

The Gamblers, country and western, rock-n-roll and blues band, will perform. Cost is \$4 for singles and \$7 for couples.

Regular hours for the lounge will be 10 a.m. - midnight Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. - 1 a.m. Saturday and noon-midnight Sunday.

The community is invited to support the VFW Post. For more information, call 270-5985.

ENTRY FORMS ARE AVAILABLE for the 2000 Howard County Fair Queen contest. The contest takes place on Saturday, Aug. 19, at the Big Spring Mall, then the queen will be recognized during the Howard County Fair Aug. 25-29.

Entry forms are available at the Howard County Extension office, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Athletic Supply in Big Spring Mall, Merle Norman, Joy's Hallmark and the Master's Touch. Entries must be returned

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Bush, Cheney defend their records in their first campaign trip together

AUSTIN (AP) — Dick Cheney said Thursday he voted against the Equal Rights Amendment when he was in the House because he feared it would require the drafting of women into the military.

"Now, I didn't think that was a very good idea," Cheney said on CBS' "The Early Show." He said he had wanted to change ERA to state that drafting women would not be required, but that the rules under which it was being considered barred any amendment.

The Wyoming Republican, picked this week to be George W. Bush's vice presidential running mate, defended his conservative record in interviews on three network morning television programs Thursday.

On ABC's "Good Morning America," he was asked why, in 1988, he was one of only four members of Congress to vote against banning plastic guns and also voted against a ban on armor-piercing "cop-killer" bullets.

"I was a great believer and a great believer today in the Second Amendment, the right of the citizens to keep and bear arms, and that the solution to our gun problems really lies in enforcing existing regulations and laws that prohibit felons, for example, from owning guns, rather than imposing new requirements on law-abiding citizens," Cheney said.

And on NBC's "Today," he denied that his vote not to impose economic sanctions against the segregationist government of South Africa meant he opposed freedom for the jailed Nelson Mandela.

"This notion that somehow I was opposed to freeing Nelson Mandela is a typical distortion by Al Gore," he said.

On Wednesday, Cheney returned to his roots in Casper, Wyo., campaigning for the first time with Bush. "I am generally proud of my record in the House and the job I did representing the state of Wyoming," Cheney

said. But the former defense secretary also acknowledged he might have voted differently on some matters in the current healthy economy than he did in the deficit-plagued 1980s.

"I'm sure if I were to go back and look at the individual votes, I could probably find some that I might tweak and do a bit differently," Cheney told reporters, referring to his 1979-89 tenure in the House.

He said he voted against some new programs in the era of budget deficits because he was "concerned about controlling federal spending."

But with current projections for a \$4.5 trillion surplus, "We've got the opportunity now I think to go do some things that we could not have done 20 years ago and the governor's laid out a number of those: for example, such things as reforming the education system, improving the Medicare system, fixing Social Security."

House GOP pushes bill to repeal 1993 tax increase on Social Security benefits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Legislation to repeal a 1993 tax increase on the Social Security benefits of millions of senior citizens is up next for tax-cutting House Republicans, even as President Clinton admonished the GOP to "stop passing tax bills you know I'll veto."

The House was to vote Thursday on the bill, which would reduce taxes on Social Security for people with certain incomes — above \$34,000 for individuals and above \$44,000 for married couples — from 85 percent of benefits to the pre-1993 level of 50 percent. The bill's cost was estimated at \$100 billion over 10 years.

Rep. Bill Archer, chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, said the original purpose of the tax increase — reducing the federal budget deficit — has disappeared now that projections indicate surpluses of \$2 trillion over the next decade, not counting Social Security.

"The budget surplus is real, not imagined, and it means that the tax is no longer needed," Archer, R-Texas, said Wednesday in a letter to Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers.

In addition, money would be transferred out of the general budget surplus to make up for any losses in Medicare, where the tax proceeds are now trans-

ferred. About 9 million senior citizens are now paying the higher tax rate, a number expected to reach 13 million by 2010.

Democrats say the bill's promise to use general tax revenue for Medicare could come up short if the surplus projections are wrong. They planned to offer an alternative that would cut the Social Security tax for all but those beneficiaries with incomes above \$100,000 — but only if the surplus actually materializes.

The GOP bill, Summers said in his own letter, "is the latest in a series of costly and poorly targeted tax proposals" to emerge in Congress.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, July 28:

You always put your best foot forward and try your best. You often succeed — more so than not this year. In fact, you are unusually lucky this year. You can almost wish upon a star. Others will often come around to your way of thinking, even though they're accustomed to having things their way. Pull back, and give yourself and others space. If you are single, sort through your many admirers, as several could be emotionally unavailable and not what they seem. If attached, give your partner space to grow and spread his wings. Count on your appeal. It comes through for you. Schedule several weekend retreats together. **CANCER** reads you cold.

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)

*** Emphasize your security, especially when confronted with another's wild actions. Sometimes you need to put your foot down. What another perceives as the right way to go might be off. Pioneer fresh thinking. Don't settle for the fast solution. Tonight: Celebrate the weekend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Take the first step and make a call. Standing on ceremony gets no one anywhere. Superiors continue their unpredictability. Talk about your need for space. Discuss a change in work with a partner or roommate who always encourages you. Tonight: At favorite haunts.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Don't juggle finances, but make needed changes. Leave nothing to mystery. Understand more of what you can expect from work vis-à-vis promotions and growth. News can jolt you, but it reminds you that you can't take anything for granted. Tonight: Take

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Others find you magnetic. Make the best of the circumstances. Make a reasonable request, or you'll get a strong reaction. An associate simply doesn't see a money matter the same as you do. Lighten up. Remember that you have many options in life. Tonight: Out on the town.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Make your best effort and put your best foot forward with a touchy associate or partner. Relax and take your time. Concentrate on your work. Focus on one item at a time. Someone you meet might be a lot different than your original impression. Tonight: Away from the social scene.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Keep your chin up, despite an immediate disappointment. Look at what is best for all in the long run. A co-worker acts unpredictably, and again you need to pitch in. Be realistic about your work. You might need a more stable environment. Tonight: Where the party is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Others look to you for answers. You accept responsibility and do what others can't or won't. Network and make new business contacts. You know what you want. Should another prove to be provocative, let this person fall back and do his thing. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Disruption encourages you to detach rather than react. A superior means well, and you put your best foot forward. Unexpected developments or reactions could toss your schedule into chaos. Seek the deeper meaning here. Look to streamline problems. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** You accept others' quirks far more easily than others do. One-on-one relat-

ing proves to be instrumental with an emotional of business tie. Help this person understand the value of the present instability. Tonight: Greet the weekend with your best friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Others hold the cards, and you need to let them play their hands. You don't have as much control as you would like. Examine long-term goals with a partner. Quit taking any financial risks, as you are in a period where unexpected bills arrive. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Dig into work. Don't get entrenched in personal issues. Don't let your emotions go haywire; your effectiveness could be marred. You mellow out by concentrating on the here and now. Review work; clear your desk; make calls. Tonight: Be your wild self.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Use your imagination when you hit an obstacle. The real issue at hand might be how much this problem stems from your perspective. Try another approach. A co-worker's perspective helps you mellow out, as does a walk and relaxation. Tonight: Playful works.

BORN TODAY

Actress Sally Struthers (1948), author Beatrix Potter (1866), cartoonist Jim Davis (1945)

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OUR VIEWS

Time short to help our school kids

We've told you before that the Salvation Army school supply drive is under way. What we haven't said, until now, is that time is running out to make your donation to this worthwhile program.

The employees of the Covenant Malone Hogan Clinic will be making a large donation of supplies this Friday. We hope others can follow their example during the next two weeks.

The school supply drive is a yearly event that helps children from low-income families prepare for the coming school year. The supplies will be distributed to children in kindergarten through eighth grade on Aug. 11, so the community needs to get behind the Army quickly to make the drive a success.

The clinic's donation will be the largest the Salvation Army has received yet. Staff members gathered supplies personally, then combined them to make one large donation.

Can your business try something similar? The Salvation Army needs 8-pack and 24-pack crayons, scissors, Elmer's glue, pencils, spiral notebooks, pink erasers, boxes of Kleenex, school boxes, notebook paper, red grading pencils and pens, 12" rulers, map colors and markers.

Last year, the group served 298 children, all of them from low-income families. In most of these cases, the supplies may be the only ones they receive.

We have said before that there must be nothing worse than starting back to school without the needed materials. It puts that student one step behind before he or she even walks in the school building.

Get behind this program before time runs out — a good education is the most valuable thing a community can give its children.

OTHER VIEWS

Americans are living longer — living longer and getting sicker. Fortunately, as life spans have lengthened, more and more helpful pharmaceuticals have been developed.

Unfortunately, they all cost money.

About two-thirds of the nation's 39 million Medicare recipients have some sort of insurance that helps them pay for prescription drugs. The other third do not.

Republicans and Democrats agree that Medicare coverage should be updated to provide at least some help to seniors facing high prescription costs. Since the demand for prescription drugs would be huge, it is clear that creating a new entitlement program could involve astronomical costs.

Republicans in control of Congress suggested the nation could afford to

spend \$40 billion over five years on a program to subsidize private prescription coverage. President Clinton suggested that the nation spend \$250 billion over 10 years to create a new government drug entitlement and a bureaucracy to run it.

The difference in approach was so great that even in an election year politics would swamp progress and seniors would come out of the fight with nothing.

The fact of the matter is, as members of the huge Baby Boom generation go into their seniority, they are going to have to plan to cover most of their own prescription drug costs. Living longer, as it turns out, means planning to take care of yourself longer.

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Bill of Rights guides one individual's vote

I've given up on the Constitution. After all, the Constitution and the republic of sovereign states it created were destroyed in 1865. But I still have some hope for the Bill of Rights, those first 10 amendments.



CHARLEY REESE

For that reason, I intend to vote for George W. Bush. He's the only candidate with a chance to win who hasn't indicated that he views the Bill of Rights with utter contempt.

Yes, my conservative friends, I know that Pat Buchanan would make a better president. But Pat isn't going to win not because I say he isn't, but because an overwhelming majority of Americans don't agree with him. If you think otherwise, then I believe that you are out of touch with your fellow Americans. I

suggest you look at the kinds of movies and television programs they patronize by the millions.

At any rate, reality will decide that issue on Nov. 7. But so far as I can foresee the future, smell the political winds and spot tracks in the jungle, our choice for president is either George W. Bush or Albert Gore. There is a huge difference in these two guys — true, not on many issues such as trade or big government but on the key issue of respecting the Bill of Rights.

Gore already has said publicly on more than one occasion that he will appoint people to the Supreme Court who won't be bound by the document's original meaning. In other words, Gore's Supreme Court, which would curdle the country for decades, would be an anything-goes legislative type of court with a left-liberal agenda.

If Gore is elected, you can kiss your right to own firearms goodbye. What has the Gore-Clinton mob been hollering on this subject? "If they can do it in Australia and England, we

can do it here." And just what did they do in Australia and England? They confiscated and destroyed practically all the private firearms held by the population.

Don't kid yourself. That's the intention of the Gore crowd: first registration and licensing, then confiscation. Otherwise, there is no point, as no sane criminal is going either to register or apply for a license. What they want is your name, your address and a complete inventory of all your firearms. Then, when they later pass legislation, similar to that already on the books in California, you will be given so many days to surrender your arms or be declared a criminal felon.

And don't think they will be satisfied with effectively repealing the Second Amendment. They will go after speech, the press, religion and protection from search and seizure. Already the FBI has placed, with court authorization, a software sniffer program on an Internet service provider that scans all the e-mail that flows through it. The results of the scan are not

available to the provider, nor is the provider allowed to notify its customers that the FBI is monitoring all e-mail.

The Gore-Clinton crowd has been insistent that the federal government should have a key to all private encryption. It has authorized searches of public housing for firearms — without a warrant — as if the residents of public housing were not entitled to a Bill of Rights.

They will go after hate-speech laws, which will make private thoughts criminal. Nothing is more of an abomination to the First Amendment than for the government to criminalize people's thoughts and opinions. Several European countries have already done this. If you, for example, disagree with the orthodox version of the Holocaust, you can be sent to prison.

As Thomas Jefferson and James Madison both said, however, the only way to maintain freedom is to be tolerant of error. People have a right to be wrong or mistaken.

A vote for Gore is a vote against liberty.



Churning up fond memories

I beat cobwebs and a dirt dauber's nest off the old ice-cream churn, then search high and low for the crank. It's the same dusty drill each summer.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

The Williams-Sonoma catalog is full of sleek, electric ice-cream makers in stainless steel or designer colors. The kind of ice-cream machines you could keep indoors.

They all claim to make ice cream and other frozen desserts in less time than it takes for me to unearth the churn and find my stupid recipe box.

I often stare at the catalog beauties and even went so far once as dogearing a page. The temptation is tremendous.

But I stick with the old-fashioned wooden bucket with the handle for turning, the kind that spits salt water all over the porch. I have to.

I bought the ice-cream churn the summer I decided to become my grandmother. It's all I have left of that plan. It quickly became apparent that she's too tough of an act to follow; I don't have the right stuff.

She made summertime — and every other season — look effortless. Working

mostly behind the scenes, my grandmother was like a superb ventriloquist. She was the brains, called all the shots, but you forgot she was there. Only since there are children in my life do I realize how hard she was working to entertain us dummies.

My niece is in Georgia, looking for summer. She deserves one.

I start out all right, leap from the gate with a genuine enthusiasm. I remember to converse in the car, and to put the panda pillowcases on her bed. The first night we eat big, fat barbecue chicken potatoes for supper and make a cake in my new fleur-de-lis pan.

But along about the third day I get tired, overwhelmed, need my writing rut. I take shortcuts, forget to talk. At night I break out the macaroni and cheese in a box.

By the weekend I'm guilt-ridden, which inspires the ice-cream adventure. I remember how my grandmother carefully packed towels in the brine after we finished turning the crank. Except she really did most of the turning, while we ran around the old house five times holding chunks of salted ice in our outstretched hands.

Someone said if you did that, your boyfriend's initials would appear in the ice.

I wonder now if she felt the least bit of irritation, watching us run from the job, silly girls with monogrammed ice and short

attention spans.

If she did, she never showed it. Not for a second. "Chelsey!" I scream. "Get out here. You're going to help crank this ice cream like I used to."

See what I mean? I find the ice-cream recipes. I have two.

One calls for five eggs, a cup of sugar, Eagle Brand milk and vanilla. You mix them all together, then add your regular milk.

That's the easy one that I always end up using. The other recipe in my box came from Gladys Castle, a great and efficient Mississippi lady. Hers involves scalding milk and fresh eggs from a hatchery. Gladys was like my Grannie. The genuine article.

Her "Vanilla Ice Cream recipe" fills a page, typed and single-spaced. There's even a part she labels "Now my comments and variation."

When I first tasted Gladys' ice cream, it was so good it made me want to crochet a hammock. She served her guests using china bowls of different patterns, but all of them featuring pink roses. Gladys was artistic like that.

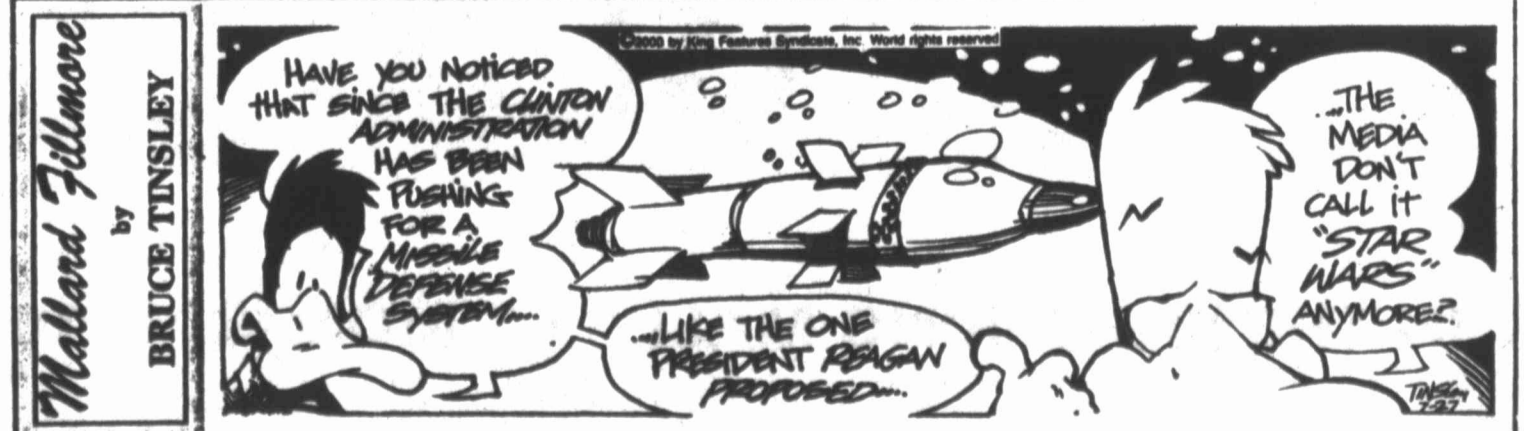
Chelsey and a friend take turns at the crank, and before the cream is completely frozen we add peaches. I put the wooden bucket on a table where all our guests can see we used an old-fashioned, labor-intensive, Great Lady churn.

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Beat high energy bills

Tips may help lower the high cost of staying cool this summer

By DEBBIE L. JENSEN
Features Editor

In summer's heat, high energy bills can cause a form of "sticker shock." But TXU Electric and Gas has tips that may help cut your electric usage and lower your costs.

Since the air conditioner is the largest energy user in most homes, limiting its use will have the most effect on your bills. To save energy and money this summer:

- Set the thermostat at 78 degrees or higher. Each degree you lower it means more energy use and more money. Use portable fans to help you feel more comfortable, and turn the air conditioner off when you go on vacation.
- Keep the fireplace damper tightly closed to prevent air leaking, or use a glass fire screen.
- Check your air conditioning filter once a month and clean or replace it if dirty.
- Check the accuracy of your thermostat by placing a thermometer next to the thermostat and comparing the readings. You may be cooling your home more than you think if the thermostat is not accurate.
- If a room air conditioner has a fresh air intake or exhaust vent, keep it closed.
- Check the weather stripping around windows



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen
Rosa Lee Allred checks the thermostat at the Canterbury South store. Experts say each degree you lower the thermostat on a central air conditioning system means more energy use and a higher bill.

- Set the fan switch on a central system to automatic, not continuous.
 - Keep blinds or drapes closed on sunny days, especially on windows that receive direct sunlight.
 - Keep doors and windows closed when the air conditioning is on.
- There are steps you can take year-round to make your energy usage more efficient and save money.
- Make sure your central air conditioner, heat pump

- or room air conditioner has a Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio (SEER) of 12 or higher. Or on a room air conditioner, look for an energy efficiency ratio (EER) of at least 10. The higher the SEER or EER, the lower the cost the unit will be to operate.
- Try an all-in-one system such as a heat pump, which works as a high-efficiency air conditioner in the summer and a heating system in the winter.
- Duct work should be free of leaks and well-insu-

- lated. The ducts should be carefully taped and wrapped with at least two inches of insulation.
- Insulating your home will help lower both heating and cooling bills. Even simple steps such as caulking around plumbing pipes will save money.
- Keep up with maintenance. Have your heating and air conditioning units inspected by a professional at least once a year. Your outdoor unit should stay free of grass clippings and other obstructions.

Good discipline: Not about producing perfect children

QUESTION: I like your idea of balancing love with discipline, but I'm not sure I can do it. My parents were extremely rigid with me, and I'm determined not to make that mistake with my kids. But I don't want to be a pushover, either. Can you give me some help in finding the middle ground between extremes?

DR. DOBSON: Maybe it would clarify the overall goal of your discipline to state it in the negative. It is not to produce perfect kids. Even if you implement a flawless system of discipline at home, which no one in history has done, your children will still be children. At times they will be silly, lazy, selfish and, yes, disrespectful. Such is the nature of the human species. We as adults have the same weaknesses.

Furthermore, when it comes to kids, that's how it should be. Boys and girls are like clocks: You have to let them run. My point is that the purpose of parental discipline is not to produce obedient little robots who can sit with their hands folded in the parlor thinking patriotic and noble thoughts! Even if we could pull that off, it wouldn't be wise to try.

The objective, as I see it, is to take the raw material with which our babies arrive on this Earth, and then gradually mold them into mature, responsible and God-fearing adults. It is a 20-year process that will bring progress, setbacks, successes and failures. When the child turns 13, you'll swear for a time that he's missed everything you thought you had taught — manners, kindness, grace and style.

But then maturity begins to take over, and the little green shoots from former plantings start to emerge. It is one of the richest experiences in living to watch that blossoming at the latter end of childhood.

QUESTION: You place great emphasis on instilling respect during the developmental years. Why is that so

important? Do you just want adults to feel powerful and in control of these little people?

DR. DOBSON: Certainly not. Respect is important for several very specific reasons. First, a child's relationship with his parents provides the basis for his attitude toward every other form of authority he will encounter. It becomes the cornerstone for his later outlook on school officials, law enforcement officers, future employers, and the people with whom he will eventually live and work.

Teachers, for example, can tell very quickly when a boy or girl has been allowed to be defiant at home, because those attitudes are brought straight into the classroom. Again, relationships at home are the first and most important social encounters a youngster will have, and the problems experienced there often carry over into adult life.

Second, if you want your child to accept your values when she reaches her teen years, then you must be worthy of her respect during her younger days. When a child can successfully defy your authority during her first 15 years, laughing in your face and stubbornly flouting your leadership, she develops a natural contempt for everything you stand for. "Stupid old Mom and Dad!" she thinks. "I've got them wound around my little finger. Sure they love me, but I really think they're afraid of me." A child may not utter these words, but she feels them each time she wins the confrontations with her mom or dad.

Third, and related to the second, respect is critical to the transmission of faith from one generation to the next. The child who disdains his or her mother and father is less likely to emulate them on the things that matter most. If Mom and Dad are not worthy of respect, then neither are their morals, their country, or even their most deeply held convictions.

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



DR. JAMES DOBSON

Hip-hop books reach for new audience

NEW YORK (AP) — What kind of book reads like an action movie, comes with a soundtrack and is easier to find in a record store than a book shop?

It's a new breed of story styled in the image of hip-hop music — slick, quick tales packed with violence, adventure and the kind of sexy drama more commonly found in music videos.

Publisher Marc Gerald hopes the books will create a new genre and grab the attention of young hip-hop music fans. So he's packaging his slim volumes of fiction with music CDs and selling them in record stores and clothing shops.

"Our books are really about style — they're like cinema," says Gerald, CEO of the Hollywood-based Syndicate Media Group Ltd. "I wanted to create a place where people who'd never really thought of picking up a book for entertainment could turn."

Gerald's hip-hop fiction line, dubbed

(S) Affiliated, is to debut later this summer with "Street Sweeper," a glamorized tale of a disillusioned killer-for-hire written by Rogin Ro.

At least 10 books are planned for the series. Most will be sold in record shops and clothing stores, although some copies will be available in bookstores.

The publisher, whose other projects have included unearthing and rereleasing what he calls "black pulp fiction" novels from the 1960s and '70s, says he hopes the new series will draw an audience of young music fans who have yet to learn the joys of reading.

"My mission was to bring books to people," he says. "We want people to be able to read them in two hours, between subway stops. We want to make them really democratic. ... A lot of people don't know what it means to pick up a book for pleasure."

Gerald sees his nontraditional sales plan as a way to reach out to young

black readers who he says have been largely ignored by mainstream publishing houses.

The novellas — which are the shape and size of CDs and have shimmering covers — will be sold mainly in music stores and PNB Nation clothing shops. The first 50,000 copies of each book will be packaged with an original hip-hop CD from Def Jam records. Def Jam plans to produce a different six- or seven-song CD for each (S) Affiliated book.

The packages are to sell for \$16.99, although Gerald said discounts would likely make the cost more like \$14 or \$15.

He has commissioned music journalists and novelists to turn his ideas into books that are about 150 quick pages. Actor Wesley Snipes is involved in the (S) Affiliated project, and Gerald hopes some of the stories will make it to the

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Abilene joins short list of towns with drive-in theater

ABILENE (AP) — Drive-in movie theaters simply do not open for business anymore. After a 20-year heyday from the mid-1940s to the mid-1960s, drive-ins began closing. Americans spent more time watching movies on cable TV, on videocassettes, or at temperature-controlled indoor theaters with surround-sound and stadium seating. Or, they began taking their dates and families to other activities.

So when the Town & Country Drive-In at Vogel and North Mockingbird reopened July 7 after almost 20 years of darkness,

Abilene joined the short list of American cities that has seen a new drive-in open in recent years. Ray Andress, a longtime Abilene movie theater sound technician and projectionist (including a stint at the T&C in the 1970s), and Glenda Thornton, who owns a furniture rental store, have been working since January to reopen the T&C, which closed in September 1981.

The reopening means jobs for about 20 people, and gives Abilene a drive-in for the first time since 1986. The nearest Big Country drive-in is the Tower Drive-In in Rule.

The T&C site has the last remaining drive-in screen standing in Abilene. All of the others — there were seven at one time — have been torn down (or blown down), and the parking stalls have either been abandoned or sold to land developers.

Thornton said the phone at the T&C office has been ringing off the hook, with people as far away as San Angelo asking when the drive-in would reopen.

"They want to bring their kids with their jammies and sleeping bags and come to the movies," Thornton said. The T&C first opened

June 21, 1956 (23 years after the first drive-in opened in Camden, N.J.), with space for more than 1,450 vehicles and two screens on its 23-acre lot. At the time, it was billed as the largest drive-in in the Southwest. (Two drive-ins, one in Lufkin and one in Detroit, Mich., eventually boasted space for 3,000 cars.)

The T&C was one of 475 drive-ins in Texas, and one of more than 5,000 that existed nationwide by 1960.

"Texas was the greatest state for drive-ins," said Don Sanders of Dallas, who co-wrote "The American Drive-In Movie Theater"

and "Drive-In Memories" with his wife, Susan. "There were 40 drive-ins in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. ... Every town had one or two. You could get on Highway 80 and if you drove from Fort Worth to Abilene, you'd see drive-ins in Weatherford, Mineral Wells, Eastland, Ranger ... west of Abilene, you'd have Pecos, Big Spring, all of those towns had drive-ins. They were God-awful places where it doesn't rain and it's hot, but people still loved to go to those movies."

C.D. "Toad" Leon of Abilene owned the T&C when it opened in 1956.

Depending on which version he tells, he either built a drive-in because he was impressed with the turnout at a Corpus Christi drive-in, or because, "I had moved to Abilene and was here a year without any visible means of support and they were going to arrest me for vagrancy, so I built the drive-in."

Although a number of teen-agers used the drive-in for making out in the back seat, Leon said most of his business was from families looking for affordable entertainment.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP) — Newt Gingrich's mother approves of his new bride. The 57-year-old former House Speaker and his 33-year-old fiancée, Callista Bisek, joined his mother, Kathleen "Kit" Gingrich, in cutting a cake at a wedding shower she threw for the couple Sunday.

Kathleen Gingrich was all smiles as she talked about her only son, whom she affectionately refers to as Newty, and his future bride.

"She is a lovely girl. I liked her from the first time I saw her," she said. Newt Gingrich, who divorced his second wife, Marianne, last December after 18 years of marriage, will marry Bisek Aug. 18. Gingrich admitted to having a six-year affair with Bisek, a congressional aide, while he was married. It will be Bisek's first marriage.

DETROIT (AP) — Baseball great Hank Aaron is stepping to the plate for a group of children in Michigan. Eighteen children were recognized Monday as the first to benefit from a partnership between the Hank Aaron Chasing the Dream Foundation and Comcast Cablevision of Detroit.

They will receive grants to help pursue their special interests, such as attending space or math camp or the arts. The awards totaled \$25,000.

"Young kids have to be able to dream and have someone to help foster their dreams," said Aaron, who holds the major league record for career home runs at 755. "You want to get these kids and help stabilize their lives."

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ENTRY FORMS ARE AVAILABLE for the Howard County Fair Queen contest. The contest takes place on Saturday, Aug. 19, at the Big Spring Mall. Then the queen will be recognized during the Howard County Fair Aug. 25-29.

Entrants must be enrolled in a Howard County high school, or one in an adjacent county, or at Howard College.

Entry forms are available at the Howard County Extension office, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, Athletic Supply in Big Spring Mall, Merle Norman, Joy's Hallmark and the Master's Touch.

Entries must be returned to the county extension office in the courthouse by Aug. 14, along with the \$35 sponsorship fee.

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"It was what they could afford," he said. "Money was tight back then."

Frank Sheffield, who at various times ran the Park Drive-In and several indoor theaters in Abilene, said the drive-ins were "the original tail-gate parties. You see this at the football games, but they used to come to the drive-ins, with the kids in the back of the car, and pull up to one of those ramps and eat out of the back. And if they didn't bring anything, they bought it at the concession stand," he said.

By the mid-1960s, the drive-in's glory days were over. Drive-in closings started out as a trickle, and then turned into a flood after 1980, when the number of drive-ins dropped from 3,500 to about 500 last year.

Many of the drive-ins that remained open relied on X-rated films to draw patrons. But that had serious drawbacks. Three employees of the Park Drive-In were charged in 1981 with obscenity violations after showing a film called "Star Babies," and the same drive-in was vandalized, and two dirty movies were unspooled, in 1985.

By that time, interest in drive-ins had all but dried up in Abilene. The Park Drive-In closed in 1986.

Leon said he doesn't buy the theory that television killed the drive-in.

"I contend that it was Hollywood," Leon said. "It wasn't television. It got to where you couldn't get the pictures. They stopped making family pictures. It was all sex and thunder, blood and guts. The parents didn't want to take their kids to it," he said.

Many of today's most frequent movie-goers have missed the drive-in experience completely.

According to the Motion Picture Association, people ages 12-29 accounted for 53 percent of the movie admissions sold in the United States in 1999, even though they made up only 30 per-

cent of the population. "There is a whole generation of people who missed the drive-in," Sanders said. "You get down to people who are under 40 or 35, and you're going to miss a generation. People stopped going. And they didn't introduce their children to the drive-in."

That concerned Rhett Burns, who, with his mother and stepfather, re-opened the Tascosa Drive-In in Amarillo in June 1999 after reading about drive-ins in a magazine.

He didn't need to worry. Attendance on Friday and Saturday nights tops 300 cars. Even on slow nights, 75 carloads show up.

"When we look out and see only 75 cars, we tell ourselves that at the multiplex with those tiny screens, that's a sellout," Burns said. Still, there are some people who don't quite have the drive-in experience down pat yet.

"Some people try to pay us for the second movie in our double feature," Burns said, chuckling. "They come up to us after the first one and say, 'I haven't paid for the second one.' That gives you an idea whether they've been before."

Reopening a business that has sat idle for 20 years has required a lot of hard work. Andress and Thornton said the doors and windows of the projection tower and concession stand had been broken or stolen, the buildings had been sprayed with graffiti, the wiring was missing or destroyed, and vagrants had been living in the abandoned buildings.

They also built a new fence around the lot, cleared a lot of weeds, and painted just about everything in sight. Andress has even spent the night at the T&C after putting in a full day's work of cleaning and repairing. Several changes have been made to reflect changes in the times, and in technology.

Instead of listening to the sound over tinny speakers

attached to poles in each parking stall, today's drive-in audiences can tune in the movie's sound on the radio. Movie-goers may listen on their car radio, or on a portable radio, by tuning in to 88.9 FM or 97.3 FM. Andress boasts he may have the first drive-in to offer both Dolby sound and Digital DTS sound.

Instead of uniformed ushers armed with flashlights, the T&C plans to have uniformed, armed security guards to keep trouble-makers at bay.

Today's drive-in audiences will be more likely to see the hot Hollywood blockbusters instead of B-movies starring men in rubber Godzilla suits, and less likely to see odd promotions cooked up by drive-in owners who knew they didn't have the best films available. Andress said he hopes to have films that have been out only a few weeks, and change the double feature every week or two.

Still, people who go to the movies at the Tascosa Drive-In use the last few minutes of daylight before films start to toss footballs or flying disks, eat picnic suppers, or play with their dogs. And that's all right with Burns. "We have little doggie bones at the door. A lot of people bring their dogs. You can't do that at an indoor theater," he said.

"(Drive-in fans) don't go to watch the movie, or to be serious," Sanders said. "It was just fun. I've been to the one in Granbury seven or eight times. We have never watched a movie there. I sit in lawn chairs and talk to people at the concession stand. That is why we enjoy going."

Andress and Thornton expect big crowds upon the reopening in Abilene, and they hope it will last. Burns said he's still seeing good business in his second year in Amarillo.

The Abilene Convention and Visitors Bureau has been getting questions about the drive-in.

HIP-HOP

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big screen.

Gerald's aim is to have the books evoke the street-smart feel and gritty ethos of popular hip-hop music, while holding onto the tongue-in-cheek irony of a good action movie. Many of the stories, he says, are influenced by the "blaxploitation" film genre of the early '70s. He acknowledges that the books are "for the short attention span."

Ro's profanity-packed "Street Sweeper," the first in the (S) Affiliated series, introduces readers to a professional New York killer named Jerome Usher, who has a closet filled with expensive suits and a safe packed with guns.

Usher carries a roll of hundred-dollar bills, guzzles Dom Perignon with a different woman each night and lives a life filled with cartoonish violence.

But his cavalier attitude toward murder changes after a young girl is injured in the crossfire that follows one of his contract hits. Usher falls in love with the girl's mother and starts a more down-to-earth life with her, promising to take just one more assignment in his old profession so he can pay for her daughter to have surgery.

Although his characters pull out guns at the slightest provocation, Ro says his book doesn't glorify violence. He was just writing a good story, he explains, adding that its twists and turns bring it down against the gunplay, drugs and materialism that are sometimes a problem in the music world.

For Gerald, it's all about bringing the spirit of sound to the page. He says several rap and hip-hop artists have

contacted him offering to write their own stories for the series.

"You hear hip-hop when

you read these books," he says. "I love that that's possible."



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Little League signups
Signups girls for Little League ball or cheer begin Aug. 14. Spring Mall. Among things are first and third graders. He shouldered for the last. Signups until Aug. 14. Birth last year's must be shown. The sign place. Monday from 10 a.m. Saturdays.

Ragball set for IL
An Inter League ragball tournament is set for the Internat. Signups 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. \$10 per player. For more please call (915) 756-2819, 1945, Raym 3811) or D 263-2631.

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IN BRIEF

Little League football signups scheduled

Signups for boys and girls for Little League football or cheerleading will begin Aug. 1 at the Big Spring Mall.

Among the football offerings are flag football for first and second graders and tackle football for third through sixth graders. Helmet and shoulder pads are provided for the latter endeavor.

Signups will take place until Aug. 12 with no signups taking place after that. Birth certificates and last year's report card must be shown at registration.

The signups will take place Monday through Friday from 6-8 p.m. and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

Ragball Tournament set for IL Field

An International Little League ragball tournament is set for Aug. 4-5 at the International Field.

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 either Denise at (915) 756-2841 or (915) 263-1945, Raymond at (915) 263-3811 or Delbert at (915) 263-2631.

Comanche Trails City Championship slated

The City Championship at Comanche Trails Golf Course is set to run Aug. 5-6.

The tournament is not limited solely to members of Comanche Trails. In fact, members of either local golf course or a resident of Howard County.

However, one requirement is the fact that any man or woman wishing to participate must present a verifiable handicap.

The entry fee is \$35 per player. To enter, please call the golf shop at 264-2366.

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.

Registration takes place at 10 a.m. on Aug. 12. Lunch each day starts at 11 a.m. and the tournament will start by shotgun each day at 1 p.m.

Entry fee for the event is \$130, plus cart fee. Private carts are welcome.

Anyone wishing to enter must contact the pro shop at (915) 267-5354.

Smith suffers toe injury, not serious

Emmitt Smith didn't practice Wednesday for the Dallas Cowboys because of a strained big toe on his left foot, but coach Dave Campo said the running back's injury isn't cause for great concern.

"The X-rays were negative, so it's nothing like Deion's. It's just a tip of the toe sprain," Campo said.

Former Cowboys defensive back Deion Sanders missed all of training camp last season and the first two regular season games after having surgery on his left big toe.

ON THE AIR

Television

ARENA FOOTBALL

7 p.m. — Playoffs, Buffalo at Arizona, TNN, Ch. 35.

BASKETBALL

6:35 p.m. — Florida Marlins at Atlanta Braves, TBS, Ch. 11.

7 p.m. — Arizona Diamondbacks at St. Louis Cardinals, FSN, Ch. 29.

BASKETBALL

7 p.m. — NBA Summer Pro League, Dallas vs. Phoenix, ESPN, Ch. 30.

Summerfest Pro/Am to take place this weekend

Herald staff report

The 12th Annual Summerfest - Pro/Am Benefit Golf Tournament, proceeds of which will go to the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center, is set to take place Saturday through Monday at Big Spring Country Club.

Through the years, moneys raised from the event have been used to help the center retain a very qualified staff using the latest

equipment with a standing policy that no one is turned away due to their inability to pay.

Tournament play itself starts Sunday, but registration and practice rounds take place Saturday. Any participant who wishes to take a practice round, must contact the pro shop at 267-5354. Carts will cost extra.

The tournament itself will start via the shotgun. Tee times range anywhere

between 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The format for the tournament will be four-person lowball, best two net balls of the foursome.

Continental breakfast or lunch will be served, depending on the hour, from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. A cash bar is available starting at 6:30 p.m. and dinner is to be served at 7 p.m.

Shotgun starts with the same format will take place at the same time Monday as

will the continental breakfast or lunch. However, the agenda is a little different come 5:30 p.m.

At 5:30 p.m., a free keg and hors d'oeuvres will be available on the patio as will a cash bar. At 7 p.m., a drawing for a trip to Las Vegas will be taking place.

The winners of that Las Vegas trip will stay at the MGM Grand for three days and two nights. The prize also includes air fare for

two and must be used by July 2 of next year. Incidentally, the entry fee covers three days of golf and use of a driving range, plus five meals.

Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center has a wide range of therapy, including physical therapy, occupational therapy, cardiac rehab, audiology and message therapy. The center also does drug testing for companies and has a wellness center.



Courtesy photo
The Coahoma Division III Girls Softball All-Stars, which swept through undefeated through the 2000 UGSA Tournament in Abilene recently. Front row (from left to right): Megan Young, Ronna Dodson, Brandi Kilpatrick, Michelle Villa and Tawna Jacobs. Back row: Manager Teresa Kilpatrick, Erica Stewart, Whitney Hufford, Rachel Savia, coach Tracy Stewart, Miranda Parsons, Haley Butts, coach Ronnie Dodson and chaperone Sharon Dodson. Ruby Garcia and Laura Olague are not pictured. The team swept through the tournament with seven wins and no losses and scored 66 runs in the tournament while surrendering only four in the seven games.

Lowry replaces Barnett at Sands

By JOHN HASSELMEIER
Sports Editor

ACKERLY — Clint Lowry is entering his third year as a head football coach, but Sands High School offers some things he hadn't experienced before.

Lowry comes to Sands from Kopperl, located about half-way between

Waco and Fort Worth. Unlike Kopperl, the Ackerly school has a football field. Not only that, it has a track around it.

"At Kopperl, we didn't have a football field," Lowry said. "All our games were played on the road. We didn't have homecoming. They had it during basketball. We also had no practice field. We practiced on the baseball field."

He is a 1976 graduate of Gordon High School, which is about 70 miles southeast of Abilene. During his days as a Longhorn, he participated in a variety of sports.

"We made the playoffs in football my junior year," Lowry said. "My sophomore year, we were 9-1 and had to stay home. I played quarterback and linebacker. Our basketball wasn't that strong. It was basically a football school. In district, we had to play Huckabay, Lipan, Lingleville, and none of those schools played football. Back then, they could start basketball at the same time we started football."

Lowry was best in track. He pole vaulted, ran the mile relay and high jumped. He might not have gone to state in the pole vault, but he did vault for two years in college at Tarleton State.

"My dad coached and taught for 31 years," Lowry said. "I've been around the coaching profession all my life. I've always wanted to coach, but back then, the money wasn't too good. I felt like I could make more doing other things so I did other things for a while."

He went to Tarleton a few more years before going to work in Stephenville. First, he worked for a car dealership and then for a convenience store.

During that time, he met a young lady named Lisa Lewis, who was studying and playing basketball at Tarleton. She eventually became Lisa Lowry. They have one son, Matthew, four.

Kevin Millwood won for the first time in five weeks and John Rocker picked up his first save in more than a month as host Atlanta won for the 10th time in 13 games since the All-Star break.

Javy Lopez homered for the second straight night and Wally Joyner hit his 199th career homer.

Rocker pitched the final two innings for his 13th save — first since June 23 against the Milwaukee Brewers.

His wife, who will be coaching the Sands High School girls basketball team, convinced him to go back to college. After she earned her degree, she went to work and then he went to college. He eventually earned that degree in 1995. It was in physical education with a minor in business.

After that came his first coaching job at Venus, located south of the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex in Johnson County. He coached junior varsity football and all junior high sports.

"That first year, he didn't coach just football. He literally, just about, coached everything."

"I was head football coach, head cross-country coach, head power-lifting coach, head baseball coach," Lowry said. "I also assisted in varsity basketball. I had a power-lifter come within 10 pounds of going to state. I also had a player (Corey Pick) who was all state in football and baseball for me."

The next year he requested that his load be lightened. It was, slightly.

"I talked to the superintendent about lightening my load," Lowry said. "I was head football, head power-lifting and head baseball coach."

However, one thing that wasn't done was the building of a field. The Eagles had to play every game on the road. That got a little bit old for Lowry's liking.

"I had decided to leave Kopperl because they weren't making any efforts to build a field," Lowry said. "I spent two years down there. They had some land the school had purchased some years ago."

"The school wouldn't put any money into it," Lowry said. "I told them when I first went there I wasn't waiting five years for a field. I'd already spent two there and was starting my third year with nothing, so I started asking around."

One of the people he asked was Panther Creek head coach Mitch Lee. As it turns out Sands Consolidated Independent School superintendent Donald Bryan had called Lee not too long before that asking him if he knew anyone. As it happened, Lee did.

"It's been great," Lowry said. "People have been real friendly. I've met almost all the kids by now. It sounds like we've got a lot of good kids here — and we've got a football field — with a track around it! It's also kinda nice walking into the field house and not having to walk through a gym."

Gwyn helps Everman win two tournament contests

Herald staff report

SHAWNEE, Kansas. — Chalk up another two wins for Big Spring's Christina Gwyn and the Everman Cowgirls softball team.

The Cowgirls chalked up two more victories Wednesday in the AFA National Tournament, dousing the Kansas Flames, 11-0

and then shutting down the Washington (Illinois) Gators.

In the Kansas game, which came first, Gwyn fired a two hitter to shut down the Flames. She struck out seven while walking three during the contest, which was shortened to four innings due to the time limit.

She also helped Everman offensively. She got just one hit, but it was an inside-the-park grand slam in the first inning. The Cowgirls also didn't have any errors during the contest.

As for the Gator game, she collected a base hit and scored a run.

Play continues in the tournament tonight at 7:30 p.m.

Rangers win another game without 'Pudge' Rodriguez

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Texas Rangers appear to be hopelessly buried in the AL West standings, sitting in last place 9 1/2 games behind the Seattle Mariners. Earlier this week they watched in horror as their best player, Ivan Rodriguez, was lost for the season with a broken right thumb.

But the Rangers have acted in back-to-back victories as if they are still in contention.

Frank Catalanotto had a ninth-inning pinch-hit triple and Rusty Greer drove him in with a two-out single to give the Rangers a 6-5 victory over the Anaheim Angels on Wednesday night.

"For a few days there we started to have a sense that we were 'out of it,'" said Catalanotto, 9-for-20 as a pinch-hitter this season. "Now we're starting to think we're back in it again. These clutch wins are big."

The Rangers rallied to win

after John Wetteland blew his seventh save in 33 chances by allowing an RBI single to Scott Spiezio in the ninth.

Wetteland and teammates David Segui and Luis Alicea have been the subjects of trade rumors. The players may think they're still in the race, but management might not agree, especially with the trading deadline approaching.

"With Pudge (Rodriguez) out, any win right now feels nice," said Greer. "This builds character on the club. We hope we can carry this over the last two months of the season."

Catalanotto hit for Royce Clayton and his one-out drive off Al Levine (2-3) nearly sailed over the wall in right center. Catalanotto thought he had a shot at an inside-the-park homer when the ball bounced hard off the wall and back toward the infield. But third base coach Jerry Narron held

him at third.

Angels manager Mike Scioscia moved center fielder Garret Anderson to first base to give the Angels a five-man infield. When Luis Alicea flied out, Anderson returned to center.

Greer then singled down the left-field line on Levine's 3-1 pitch to drive in the winning run, giving him 16 game-winning hits in Texas' final at-bat since the start of the 1995 season.

"With two outs and a sinker ball pitcher on the mound, I'm looking for a pitch that's up," Greer said following his fourth hit of the night. "He was keeping the ball down early in the count, but he got one up and I got a good swing on it."

Wetteland (4-3) picked up the victory as the Rangers won for the third time in four games.

Texas starter Matt Perisho allowed four runs and four hits in six innings. He struck out three.

Astros pull off sweep of Cincinnati Wednesday

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Julio Lugo, Jeff Bagwell and Moises Alou hit solo homers in the sixth off Steve Parris (5-13) as Houston again came from behind to sweep Cincinnati at Riverfront Stadium.

The majors' worst team completed its first sweep of the season and first in Cincinnati since September 1986. The Astros have won a season-high five straight.

Scott Blanton (10-4) became the Astros' first 10-game winner.

In other National League games Wednesday, it was

Arizona 8, St. Louis 4; Atlanta 6, Florida 3; Pittsburgh 5, Milwaukee 4; Colorado 11, Los Angeles 4; the Chicago Cubs 14, Philadelphia 9; and San Francisco 3, San Diego 1. The Montreal at New York game was rained out and rescheduled in a double-header Thursday.

In the American League, it was New York 4, Baltimore 1; Toronto 8, Cleveland 1; Oakland 6, Seattle 1; Kansas City 7, Chicago 6; Tampa Bay 6, Detroit 2; and Texas 6, Anaheim 5. The Minnesota at Boston game was post-

poned by rain.

D'backs 8, Cardinals 4

The Arizona Diamondbacks were bolstered by the acquisition of Curt Schilling, but it not soon enough to stop their losing streak.

Darryl Kile (12-6) earned his first win this month and Thomas Howard went 2-for-4 with four RBIs as the St. Louis Cardinals handed Arizona its fourth straight loss, 8-4 Wednesday night.

Schilling, acquired before the game from Philadelphia for first baseman-outfielder Travis Lee and pitchers

Omar Daal, Vicente Padilla and Nelson Figueroa, is scheduled to make his debut for Arizona on Friday night at Florida.

Braves 6, Marlins 3

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Rocker pitched the final

Correction

In the article about the Coahoma Division I All-Stars softball team's tournament victory that ran on Page 1B of the July 20 issue of the Herald, the name of Paige Jackson was inadvertently omitted.

Also, in the same article, the article said that Jordan Martin was cited for her play at second base. She was cited for her play at rover.

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SUMMER SPECIAL \$99.00 DEPOSIT. EFFICIENCY. \$200/mo 1 BR, \$210/mo, 2BR, \$265/mo WITH CH/A, ON SITE MGR & MAINTENANCE 267-4217

UNFURNISHED HOUSES 100 N. Wasson off I-20 near Cornell on Interstate & State Hosp. \$300/mo \$100/dep. No bills paid. No pets. Call 263-8513.

1308 Ridgeway 3 bdr, 1 bh, \$350/mo \$100/dep. 263-1792 or 264-6006

1400 MtVernon 2 Bdrm 1 bath \$285/mo \$150/dep. 263-1792 or 264-6006

1402 Stadium 3 Bdrm 2 bath \$375/mo \$150/dep. 263-1792 or 264-6006

1407 Oriole 3 bdr, CH/A Extra nice & clean \$325/mo. \$150/dep. Sorry No Pets. 263-4922

1804 Mittel, lgr 3BR 2 bath, stove & refrig. HUD approved, available Aug. 1. \$382/mo \$200/dep. 263-3846

2 bdr, brick 2 bath lgr den & fireplace, 2 car garage, fenced yard, good location and corner lot. \$300/dep. \$575/mo. Call 9-5. leave message @ 267-7032 leave name and phone number.

2 bdr. home. 1512 Harding. \$275/mo, \$150/dep. ALSO 3 bdr. 1321 Harding. \$375/mo \$150/dep. Call 267-6667.

2 bdr. Mobile Home in the Midway area. Fenced yard. Call 267-5952.

UNFURNISHED HOUSES

2+ bedroom country home. CH/A. Stove, refrigerator, washer furnished. \$300/mo \$150/dep. 264-8522

511 E 18th. Nice, clean 2 bdr., 1 bath, stove & refrigerator furnished. \$275/mo., \$150/dep. 267-1543

710 NOLAN 3 BR 2 bath, CH/A, Washer & dryer, connections, stove & refrigerator. Available Aug. 1st. \$450/mo plus deposit. 267-2296.

For Sale or Lease Lg. rock house with garage on corner lot 4 br. 2 bh. kitchen, dining/living room. \$550/mo & dep. 1-800-354-2384

Immaculate executive brick One year old. 3-2-2. \$695/mo. Coldwell Banker 267-3616 or 267-2656

Sell/Rent 3 bdr 2bh, 2107 Main #1 Building w/large lot on E. 4th. Call 267-3905

MOBILE HOMES FOR RENT Mobile home for rent. 2 bdr. 1 bh. clean, stove & ref., fenced yard, water pd. No Pets. \$250/mo. + dep. 267-2177.

2 bdr. 1bh. \$285/mo \$150/dep. References 263-3689

5 Family Garage Sale Fri. & Sat. Good new and old junk, old bottles, tools. 1503 Todd Road

PUBLIC NOTICE THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HARRIS TO JIMMY TITO ALATORRE SR AND TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney if you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the Clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and OMBG.

1981 Honda Goldwing Interstate 49K, \$2,450 263-0292, 803 Timothy Lane after 5PM.

Garage Sale, 1612 Harding Sat. 8-7 Clothes, dishes, housewares, woodwork, and misc.

Garage Sale, Sat. & Sun. 7:30-7, 2100 S. Main. Kids & baby clothes, shoes, tires, baby items & more.

PUBLIC NOTICE The Howard County Auditor will accept sealed bids until 10:00 A.M. on August 11, 2000 for one (1) vehicle for the County of Harris, Texas.

Bids will be presented to the Commissioners' Court at 10:00 A.M. on August 14, 2000 for their consideration. The Court reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Garage Sale, Sat. & Sun. 7:

| THURSDAY | | | | | | | | | | | | | JULY 27 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Channel | Time | Program | Channel | Time | Program | Channel | Time | Program | Channel | Time | Program | Channel | Time | Program | Channel | Time | Program | Channel | Time | Program | Channel | Time | Program | | | |
| KMID | 6:30 | News (CC) | KPEJ | 6:30 | Home Imp. Judge Judy | KERA | 6:30 | Wishbone Zoboomafoo | FAM | 6:30 | Early Edition | KOSA | 6:30 | News Ent. Tonight | WFAA | 6:30 | News (CC) Fortune | KWES | 6:30 | News Seinfeld (CC) | WTBS | 6:30 | Fresh Prince (35) Major | UNI | 6:30 | Por Tu Amor |
| | 7:00 | Whose Line? Whose Line? | | 7:00 | Movie: Event Horizon (CC) | | 7:00 | Savage Earth (CC) | | 7:00 | Movie: Where Are My Children? | | 7:00 | Whose Line? Whose Line? | | 7:00 | Whose Line? Whose Line? | | 7:00 | Friends (CC) Daddio (CC) | | 7:00 | League Baseball | | 7:00 | Rosalinda |
| | 8:00 | Be a Millionaire | | 8:00 | Mad Abt. You Nanny (CC) | | 8:00 | Nova (CC) | | 8:00 | Early Edition | | 8:00 | City of Angels (CC) | | 8:00 | Be a Millionaire | | 8:00 | Will & Grace Just Shoot Me | | 8:00 | Florida Marlins at Atlanta | | 8:00 | Tres Mujeres |
| | 9:00 | 20/20 Downtown (CC) | | 9:00 | Jerry Springer (CC) | | 9:00 | News-Lehrer | | 9:00 | 700 Club (CC) | | 9:00 | News (35) Late | | 9:00 | 20/20 Downtown (CC) | | 9:00 | ER (CC) | | 9:00 | Braves (CC) (35) Movie: A | | 9:00 | Aqui y Ahora |
| | 10:00 | News (CC) Nightline | | 10:00 | Politically Inc. (36) Maury | | 10:00 | Newsradio Unhappily | | 10:00 | Greeks: Crucible of | | 10:00 | Who's Boss? Who's Boss? | | 10:00 | Show (CC) (37) Late Late | | 10:00 | Ent. Tonight Politically Inc. | | 10:00 | Show (CC) (37) Late | | 10:00 | (45) Movie: A |
| | 11:00 | News (CC) Nightline | | 11:00 | Cops (CC) Hollywood | | 11:00 | Civilization (CC) | | 11:00 | Paid Program | | 11:00 | News (CC) Grace Under | | 11:00 | News (CC) Grace Under | | 11:00 | News (CC) Grace Under | | 11:00 | News (CC) Grace Under | | 11:00 | News (CC) Grace Under |
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DENNIS THE MENACE



*REMEMBER, JOEY, THE SECRET TO PLAYIN' CATCH IS TO NOT DROP THE BALL!

FAMILY CIRCUS



"When Goldilocks grows old, will she be called Silverlocks?"

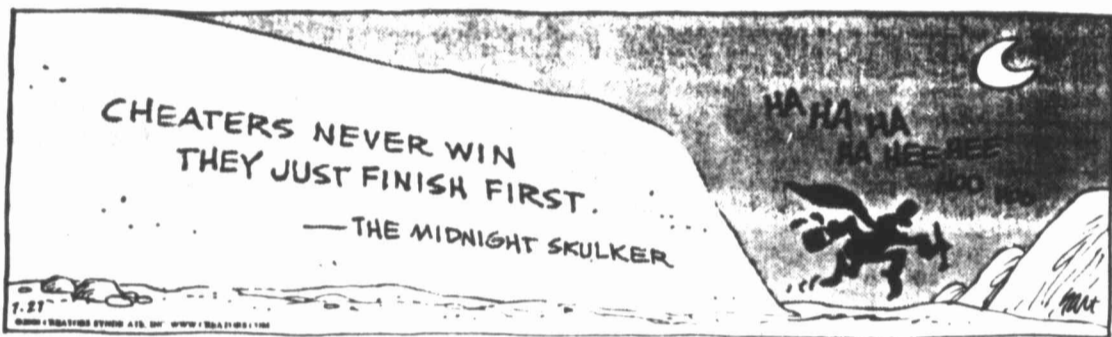
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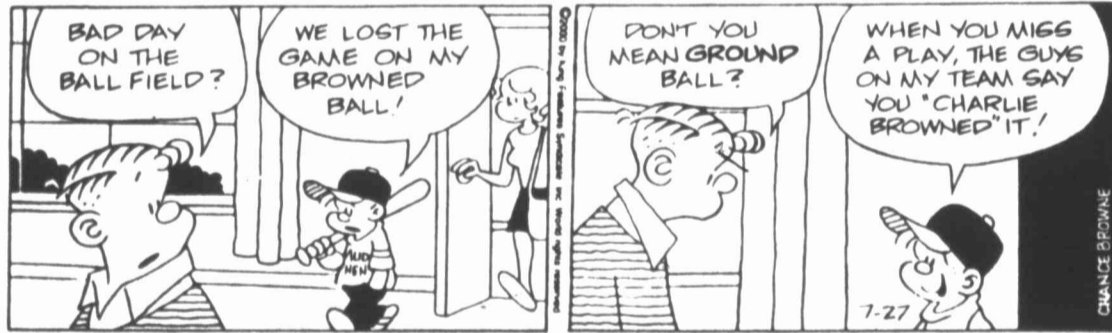
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS
Today is Thursday, July 27, the 209th day of 2000. There are 157 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History:
On July 27, 1789, Congress established the Department of Foreign Affairs, the forerunner of the Department of State.
On this date:
In 1794, French revolutionary leader Maximilien Robespierre was overthrown and placed under arrest; he was executed the following day.
In 1861, Union Gen. George B. McClellan was put in command of the Army of the Potomac.

In 1866, Cyrus W. Field finally succeeded, after two failures, in laying the first underwater telegraph cable between North America and Europe.
In 1940, Bugs Bunny made his official debut in the Warner Brothers animated cartoon "A Wild Hare."
In 1953, the Korean War armistice was signed at Panmunjom, ending three years of fighting.
In 1960, Vice President Nixon was nominated for president at the Republican national convention in Chicago.
In 1974, the House Judiciary Committee voted 27-11 to recommend President Nixon's impeachment on a charge that he had personally engaged in a "course of conduct" designed to obstruct justice in the Watergate case.
In 1976, Air Force veteran Ray Brennan became the first person to die of Legionnaires' disease following an American Legion convention in Philadelphia.
In 1980, on day 267 of the Iranian hostage crisis, the deposed Shah of Iran died at a military hospital outside Cairo, Egypt, at age 60.
In 1996, terror struck the Atlanta Olympics as a pipe bomb exploded at the public Centennial Olympic Park, killing one person and injuring more than 100.
Today's Birthdays: TV producer Norman Lear is 78. Movie and drama critic Vincent Canby is 76. R&B singer Harvey Fuqua is 71. Actor Jerry Van Dyke is 69. Sportscaster Irv Cross is 61. Actor John Pleshette is 58. Singer Bobbie Gentry is 56. Actress-director Betty Thomas is 52.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- Garret
- Small boy
- Ford or Mahre
- Dash to pieces
- Pileus
- Alleviate
- Dorothy Dandridge portrayer
- Waste allowance
- Heart of a hurricane
- South African grassland
- Roman gods
- Talking test
- Nimble
- Devoid of substance
- Man-powered vehicle
- Man-lion figure
- European eagle
- Wise guy
- Resembling: suff.
- Bitter irony
- Make free (of)
- Actor Richard
- Kanga's joey
- Mogadishu resident
- Artlessness
- Postponed
- Canvas colors?
- Noxious weeds
- Surpass
- Helen's abductor
- Flower-to-be
- Algonquian language
- Mass. senator
- Mountain lake
- Lotion additive
- Mental picture
- Landed
- Used leeches
- Life-drawing subjects

DOWN

- Pain
- Ice follower?
- Narrative
- Landmass: abbr.
- Striped badges
- Foreign antigens identifiers
- Gridiron demarcations
- Composer Weill
- Bridge authority
- Loud firecrackers
- Long-time voice of the Cubs
- Oh yeah, right
- Permits
- Flamboyant architectural style
- Med. asst.
- Yes, Yves
- Like letters without bases
- Churchill's gesture
- Stoppage of breathing
- "SNL" regular
- Govt. med. grp.
- Spry
- Made over

By Stanley B. Whitten
Highwood, IL

7/27/00

Wednesday's Puzzle Solved

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| PHASE | SLAT | EARP |
| LOSER | IONA | ELIA |
| OSHEA | CONSCRIPT | |
| TSETSE | PUMA | BET |
| SALERNO | NAH | |
| OVA | UCLA | ROOST |
| DOMENICO | MODUGNO | |
| AWARE | ONER | LOU |
| FRANCE | BADDEBT | |
| FRANKS | SINATRA | |
| AOL | ETNA | EARTHA |
| WYANDOTTE | FREUD | |
| NAME | PREP | TORME |
| SLOE | SOSA | SWISS |

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36 Caviar 50 Caspian feeder

37 Nappy fabric 51 Survey

40 Plain to see 52 Actor Pitt

43 Mothers 53 Egg on

45 "Xanadu" grp. 54 Tints

46 Mended with yarn 56 Setup punch

48 Western lake 57 Flightless bird