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Blood drive set Thursday at the Herald

Participants in Thursday's blood drive, sponsored by the *Big Spring Herald*, will have a chance to win free CDs, music videos, CD holders and Disney Lithographs. The drive is from 1 until 4 p.m. in the *Herald* parking lot.

Door prizes supplied from On Cue will be given to many participants who attempt to give the gift of life.

Included in the prizes are promotional videos from Puff Daddy, the WF Aggression CD, a back to school folder with a CD featuring music from Avant, Jurassic 5 and Common.

Also several Disney Lithographs featuring Mickey Mouse, Minnie Mouse and Donald Duck will be given away.

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 taken in the past 30 days.

Those interested should call blood drive coordinator Lyndel Moody at 263-7331 ext. 238 to make an appointment.

Moody encourages anyone who is considering donating blood to make an appointment to help speed the process of donation.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

□ 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, call Billy Smith, 267-6479.

□ Christmas in April board of directors, noon, Lions Bingo Building.

□ Friends of the Library, noon, Howard County Library.

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Jumper no longer Democratic chair

By JOHN A. MOSELEY
Managing Editor

Howard County Democrats, who saw sheriff's candidate Javier Becerra disqualified for voting in the Republican primary, have been forced to replace their party chair-



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man for a second time this year.

County chairman Woody Jumper has resigned that post to serve as campaign coordinator for Becerra's appointed replacement, Dale Walker.

Jumper could not legally hold the county Democratic chairman's post anyway, since he, like Becerra, had voted in the Republican primary.

Local Republican leaders, however, must decide whether or not they'll

appoint a replacement candidate in the Precinct 3 constable's race where primary winner Boyce Hale has been disqualified for not living within the precinct.

Robert E. Hutte, the new county Howard County Democratic chairman, sees the revelation that Jumper could not legally have held the post as not only a black eye for the party locally, but one for the state's educational system.

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Blackshear confirms he's out of state representative's race

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

Big Spring businessman Tim Blackshear has confirmed the reports that he is no longer seeking a bid for a seat



BLACKSHEAR

in the Texas House of Representatives.

Blackshear, who was unopposed in the Republican Primary for the District 70 seat, said he decided that local business and family commitments outweighed his desire to run for office.

"I have enjoyed my time off from being mayor," he

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Rate hikes

Council plans tax increase, rate fee boost to play for EMS, water line replacement

By BILL MCCLELLAN
News Editor

An accelerated water line replacement program, a debt-free ambulance service and employee raises are included in the city of Big Spring's proposed budget for 2000-2001 — but they won't come without increased costs to taxpayers.

"The average citizen will pay about \$3 more a month, but these are areas citizens have told us they want to see improvement in," said Mayor Russ McEwen, following a budget session Tuesday night. "We are not raising rates and taxes for the sake of raising rates and taxes."

Citizens can expect to see hikes in water and sewer rates as well as an increase in the tax rate. Here's the breakdown:

To fund a boost in water and sewer line replacement, customers will see a flat rate of \$1 added to their monthly water bill and another \$1 tacked on to their sewer bill. Together, that's an increase of \$2 a month, or \$24 a year.

What that pays for is \$400,000 in water and sewer line replacement annually, instead of approximately \$200,000 that is done now. Some of that stepped-up cost, primarily in the first year, will be an increase in capital equipment purchases.

"We'll target those lines that are breaking the most,

first," said McEwen, noting that city has 153 miles of water mains and 140 miles of sewer mains.

To compensate for some \$380,000 in subsidy for the ambulance service, citizens will get tagged with a tax increase of 3.6 cents per \$100 valuation. That tax hike amounts to a monthly increase of 74 cents on the average Big Spring home, appraised at \$29,330. That's \$8.84 per year.

"That not only allows us to run the operation on a break-even point for the year but also allows us to address the \$400,000 deficit that had accumulated over the past five years," said City Manager Gary Fuqua.

"It's a responsible response to the problem," said the mayor. "We know what the costs are; we know how much we have been subsidizing the EMS. We can finally set a budget to deal with it."

The city is also in negotiations with the county on helping with ambulance service cost. The county contributed \$65,000 last year.

The budget also includes a \$125 a month raise for each city employee; enhancements in longevity pay; incentive pay for workers with associate's, bachelor's and master's degrees; an additional stipend for those with certificates; and an increase in pay to rookie police officers.

"We're trying to get our employees a much-needed pay increase, as well as address the problem of turnover," said Fuqua.

One other increase citizens will note is a 5-cent

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Barricades Unlimited Inc. employees Ruben Castillo, Carlos Adkins and Ruben Nunez of Lubbock put up signs along U.S. Highway 87 warning drivers to slow down for construction work ahead. Work begins Monday on a complete renovation of the roadway from Interstate 20 to Second Street.

'Together We Can' United Way theme; new goal announced at \$227,000 today

By BILL MCCLELLAN
News Editor

With a new goal and a fresh theme, United Way for Big Spring and Howard County is ready to start a new campaign.

Volunteers announced this morning a campaign goal of \$227,000.

"I think it's going to be a



MICHAELIS

great campaign," said Cavan McMahon, local United Way chairman. "It's going to take a lot of work, but we have the right people to do it."

"Together We Can" is the theme for this year's campaign. Clem Jones submitted the winning entry and will receive a dinner for two.

It was also announced today that Cindy Michaelis will be taking over Carroll Jennings' position as executive director, effective Jan. 31, 2001.

Michaelis, along with her husband Joel and daughter Bethany, moved to Big Spring from Waco when her husband accepted the position of dean at Howard College.

Michaelis is a 1987 graduate of the University of Texas at Austin and will graduate Saturday from Baylor University with a master's in philosophy. She worked for the American Cancer Society for six years as the executive director for

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Tax-free weekend a success

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Though complete figures are not in, most retailers in Big Spring and surrounding areas report very good sales over the tax-free holiday of August 4-6.

Wal-Mart assistant manager Becky Thomas said that business was up considerably over last year.

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Proffitt Day Care Center will re-open at 6 a.m. Thursday with a new roof. The roof was blown off in last Sunday's thunderstorm. B&M Roofing employees Jerry Garcia and Tim Reed are shown working on their tar machine. Pinner Carpet of Odessa donated new carpet to the facility after hearing of the plight on an Odessa television story.

HERALD photo/Carl Graham

118th District Court jury finds Wheat guilty of delivering drugs

By GINA GARZA
Staff Writer

After about an hour of deliberation, a 118th District Court jury convicted 54-year-old Donald Wheat on two counts of delivery of a controlled substance Tuesday.

According to testimony presented Monday, Wheat had delivered cocaine to an undercover officer on two separate occasions — Sept. 8,

1999 and Oct. 8, 1999.

Dennis Hambrick, a chemist for the Department of Public Safety in Midland, said he received one bag containing .67 grams of cocaine and another containing 1.36 grams of cocaine to be analyzed.

Monday's testimony had been temporarily halted by District Judge Robert H. Moore III when Don Richard, defendant's attorney, said the wording of the indictment was not clear. The trial resumed

Tuesday morning.

After 20 minutes of arguing between Richard and assistant district attorney Robin Orr, without the jury present, Moore agreed to allow the indictments to stand with a clarification added defining a controlled substance.

"A controlled substance means a substance, including a drug, an adulterant, a dilutant, and an immediate precursor, listed in Schedules I through V or Penalty Groups 1, 1-

A, or 2 through 4. The term includes the aggregate weight of any mixture, solution, or other substance containing a controlled substance," said Moore as he read from a definition in the Chapter 481 Texas Controlled Substances Act — Health and Safety Code.

During the sentencing phase of the trial, the state discussed Wheat's 1966 conviction for bur-

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OBITUARIES

Jose "Joe" Diaz Rodriguez

Funeral service for Jose Diaz Rodriguez, 47, Granbury, will be 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, 2000, at the Granbury Church of God. Burial will be in Granbury cemetery.

Mr. Rodriguez died on Monday at a Granbury hospital.

He was born on Dec. 27, 1952, in Big Spring. He married Rose Ingram on May 27, 1977, in Stanton. He owned and operated Rodriguez Lawn Care Service for several years and was a member of Granbury Church of God.

Survivors include: his wife, Rose Rodriguez of Granbury; two sons, Joseph Rodriguez and Daniel Rodriguez, both of Granbury; a daughter, Amy Rodriguez of Granbury; two brothers, Tomas Rodriguez of Summerset and Oscar Rodriguez of San Antonio; five sisters, Elira Sanchez, Elziria Hinojosa, Edilia Flores, Ermelinda Sanchez, all of Stanton; and Ernestina Salgado of Spearman; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wiley Funeral Home, Granbury.

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"To have a sheriff's candidate disqualified for voting in the wrong primary and then to appoint a county chairman who'd done the same thing ... I was just amazed. I'd never seen that before," said Hutte, who has long been involved in politics.

An Iowa native who served as Lyndon Johnson's campaign manager in that state in both 1960 and 1964, Hutte also made an unsuccessful bid to be Iowa's state auditor in 1960.

"I think a lot of the problem is that there's so little taught in our schools about our political parties and our political system," Hutte said. "I don't really want to use the term ignorant, but that's basically the problem. Our educational system doesn't spend much time teaching our kids about politics, so we have a lot of people ignorant of the campaign laws."

Hutte added that he believes Texas' entire candidate selection process needs to be revamped, as well as selection of party leadership on the local level.

"The system we have right now is terrible. I think it was set up to steal votes back in the days when Texas was a one-party state," he explained. "I'm not saying that it goes on today, but the procedure (for selecting county executive committee members) is wide open to make it possible."

"And instead of having a potential candidate circulate petitions, we force them to pay a fee to register. I

seems to me that any system where you have to pay to run for office is just horrible."

Jumper said he did not realize that his having voted in the GOP primary made him ineligible to serve as county Democratic chairman until the day before he announced his decision to step down.

"I resigned a couple of weeks ago, but I'd intended to step down for at least a month before I did," Jumper said Tuesday afternoon, noting that it was only while checking the state's election laws in preparation for turning over the position to a new chairman that he realized he was ineligible to hold the post.

"I'd already agreed to step down before anyone realized I couldn't be party chairman because of having voted in the Republican primary," he added. "It was a well-known fact that I voted for Mr. (David) Mohn because I felt he was the best man in the race."

"At the time, I wasn't planning on holding any position in the party," Jumper continued. "It wasn't until Mr. (Rey) Villarreal had announced at a couple of meetings that he wanted to step down and that somebody was going to have to step up and take the job that I said I'd be willing to do the job."

Elizabeth Hanshaw, director of the Secretary of State's legal division, said Tuesday that the number of instances where candidates and local party officials have been declared ineligible for voting in the wrong primary seems to be on the increase.

"This is something that comes up from time to time," Hanshaw said, "but I think there have been more instances of it this year than there ever have been before."

While Hanshaw said Section 161.005 of the Texas Election Code stipulates that it is a Class C misdemeanor to intentionally participate in the convention of one party after having voted in the primary of another, she said charges are rarely filed in such cases.

Hanshaw said there was no reason to believe that Jumper's ineligibility to serve as county chairman would invalidate Walker's appointment as the Democrats' challenger to incumbent Howard County Sheriff Bill Jennings.

Howard County Clerk Donna Wright noted Tuesday that even though officials from both the Texas Attorney General's Office and the Secretary of State had indicated that Walker's appointment was valid, the local committee took the precaution of reappointing him as its candidate.

Hale, who defeated Joseph "Butch" Lesueur in the Republican primary race for Precinct 3 constable on March 13, had not returned telephone calls from the Herald as the paper went to press today.

Dwain Fox, the Howard County Republican chairman, confirmed that Hale had been disqualified because he did not live in the precinct and added that the county executive committee still has time to appoint another candidate.

you file and the time you run and Tim felt he had to do what he had to do."

Blackshear threw his hat into ring in January, and because he was running for a public office, had to resign as mayor of Big Spring. The Texas Constitution reads that an elected official must immediately relinquish a local position in order to vie for a state office.

In the case of candidate dropping out or being disqualified, the particular party general has an opportunity to name a replacement candidate.

However, contrary to an earlier report, Dwain Fox, Republican chairman, stated it is too late to appoint someone else to fill the vacancy left by Blackshear. District 70 is made up of 12 counties — Howard, Nolan, Scurry, Borden, Lynn, Garza, King, Kent, Knox, Stonewall, Fisher and Jones.

UNITED WAY

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the Central Texas District which covered 14 counties. "I really enjoyed the work I did with the cancer society," she added. "I especially enjoyed traveling."

After working for the ACS, she went to work for the Providence Foundation, staying four years. In 1999, she received her fundraising certification from the National Society of Fundraising Executives.

"This certification was a milestone for me," said Michaelis. "I look forward to being a part of the United Way and serving Howard County."

United Way will be relocating its office within the next six weeks to 808 Scurry. Renovations will be conducted and an open house will be held in the fall.

The United Way kickoff luncheon is tentatively set for Sept. 5, depending on the selection of a speaker, said Jennings. A mid-campaign report will be announced Oct. 24 and the campaign will wrap up with a luncheon on Nov. 17.

Staff writer Gina Garza contributed to this article.

TAX-FREE

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"Without divulging any figures, I can say we were busier than the one we had last year," said Thomas. "In fact it was busy right up to the last few hours of the sale Sunday night."

Ron Howell, manager of the Bealls For Men and Kids store and the Bealls For Her store, said those stores were down a little from last year.

"We were a little lighter than last year, but though not as good, we were still well pleased overall," said Howell.

Ellen Talbot, store manager for Dunlaps, said she didn't see any increase in business over the one a year ago.

"It was about the same as last year for us," said Talbot. "We didn't see any

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significant increase."

At Colorado City, Wood's Boots reported a busy weekend according to Jeremiah Wood, grandson of owner/founder Billy Joe Wood. Besides boots, Wood said they carry a selection of school clothes and shoes.

"We were a little busier than last year," said Wood. "Of course all our figures are not in but I would say it was successful."

Personnel at Colorado City's Alco store, which sells school clothes as well as a wide variety of other supplies, said they were satisfied with their tax-free weekend figures.

"Last year was a powerful one for us but we probably did just as well this year," said Ed Blake, store manager. "We carried a lot more school supplies this year than last because we had a lot of people ask us to."

Tax-free items included baby clothes, bathing suits, belts with attached buckles, boots, caps/hats, choir robes, coats and wraps costumes, diapers, dresses, gloves, gym suits, hooded shirts and hooded sweat-shirts.

Also included were jackets, jeans, jogging apparel, neckwear and ties, pajamas, pants and trousers, raincoats and ponchos, robes, shirts shoes, socks, shorts, suits, slacks, and jackets.

This was the second year the Texas legislature declared a tax-free weekend, saving residents state and local sales tax on selected items.

GUILTY

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glary, for which he received a three-year probation sentence. Wheat also took the stand during this phase.

"I am not a habitual criminal; I was just doing a favor for a friend," said Wheat. "It was a stupid mistake and I was caught off guard — under the influence."

After Orr was able to get Wheat to admit to the 1966 incident, Wheat said he was under the influence of drugs at the time of his current crimes.

The jury was out less than 30 minutes in the sentencing phase.

Wheat received one year of state jail time and two years in a federal correctional facility. The sentences were stacked, meaning he must serve the entire one year in the state facility before he can serve any time in the federal facility.

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hike in water rates, from \$1.95 per 1,000 gallons to \$2. That rate hike was not passed on to customers after

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TEXAS LOTTERY

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

the last increase by the Colorado Municipal Water District. It will be passed on in the new budget, however.

Taxable values declined some \$400,000 this year. Therefore, the effective tax rate — the rate it takes to generate the same dollars as last year — was calculated at 62.23 cents per \$100. Last year's tax rate was 62 cents.

Tuesday night, the council set a tax rate of 65.63 cents for 2000-2001. That's just below the rollback rate of 65.64. The rollback rate, at 8 percent over the effective rate, is the rate at which citizens could petition to "roll back" taxes. By staying under that rate, the city avoids that possibility, yet must set a public hearing, which will come in September.

Meanwhile, the council set a public hearing on the proposed budget for Aug. 22.

In other business, council members approved the low bid on construction of a terminal at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark and took care of items related to grant application for Phase II of the Capehart Subdivision project.

Lee George Construction of Big Spring was the low bidder on the terminal construction at the airpark. In a 5-1 vote, the council approved the company's bid of \$449,000. Councilman Chuck Cawthon cast the "nay" vote, saying, "I'm for the terminal building, but I just feel like we have to set standards somewhere."

He was referring to the fact that the project had originally been estimated at \$400,000. In fact, the council has learned that the cost will be \$488,420, including architecture and design and other incidentals.

"That's a pretty significant increase," said Cawthon.

CLARIFICATION

On the Monday, Aug. 7, arrest log provided by the

DUNLAPS Your Fashion Headquarters
111 E. Marcy 267-8283

Big Spring Police Department, Roy Boyd was listed as being arrested on a charge of possession of marijuana and residing at 1105 S. Runnels. It should have read that he was arrested on charges of no drivers license and no valid inspection sticker. His correct address is 1507 Hilltop.

FIRE/EMS

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

TUESDAY
7:48 a.m. — 1500 block Sycamore, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

1:10 p.m. — SMMC, patient transferred to Lubbock.

2:11 p.m. — SMMC, patient transferred to Lubbock.

2:29 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

4:06 p.m. — 3200 block Parkway, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

7:14 p.m. — 1500 block Lincoln, structure fire, fire was extinguished.

RECORDS

Tuesday's high 99
Tuesday's low 73
Average high 97
Average low 70
Record high 107 in 1952
Record low 57 in 1989
Precip. Tuesday 0.00
Month to date 0.12
Month's normal 0.34
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said "Challenges of my family and business have increased this year."

District 70 incumbent David Counts, D-Knox City, said he understood Blackshear's reasons for dropping out of the race.

"Tim is a good man and I just wish him the best," said Counts. "Sometimes things change between the time

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Inmate smashes diesel truck through fence to escape from prison

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — An inmate driving an 18-wheel tractor trailer cab avoided gunshots from prison guards and smashed through a prison fence

Tuesday morning, then left the truck on an airport runway before fleeing in another vehicle believed driven by his wife. The getaway vehicle was

later found, law officers said Wednesday. State troopers, Texas Rangers and sheriff's deputies, along with corrections officers on horseback

and using tracking dogs, were hunting for Terry Rhodes, 31, who escaped about 9 a.m. from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Wynne Unit at the northern edge of Huntsville near the Huntsville airport. Rhodes had been locked up since April 1997, serving 45 years for an aggravated sexual assault in Hardin County in East Texas. He also had been convicted of burglary and had an escape attempt last September from

the Smith County Jail while he was there on a bench warrant. Officials said the search was being concentrated south of Madisonville, about 25 miles north of Huntsville. It was the first escape from the Wynne Unit in more than two years. The tractor, heavily damaged after running through the fence, was left on the small airfield's runway. Officers and other inmates saw the truck smash

through the prison fence and then through a Huntsville city-owned fence that borders the airport, prison spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said. Corrections officers fired at least nine shots at the truck as it went through the fence. The truck's bed was filled with pillows, sleeping bags, food and other supplies. "They obviously were prepared for some extended time outside," Fitzgerald told The Huntsville Item.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Aug. 10:
Your ability to get to the bottom of problems helps both you and others. Sometimes you can become caustic. Work on using the right language or being more creative when you're trying to say something that's hard to hear. Bone up on sensitivity, and you'll gain in the eyes of others. You are unusually romantic. Your libido often determines the outcome of decisions. If single, you won't tolerate being alone. How you design your single life depends upon your needs. Many of you will have many suitors. Others will opt for one intense relationship. If attached, you add that extra zest to your tie. You like the feelings. **CAPRICORN** always pitches in.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
**** You're unusually direct. You might find that another reacts strongly to your statements or manner. Recognize that others hear you differently than you hear yourself. Imagine walking in another's footsteps. Take charge at work. Use some of that stunning insight. Tonight: In the limelight.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
**** Discussions with a partner prove to be worthwhile. You get down to basics. Understand that both of you might be a bit uncomfortable with these conversations. Hop on the Web to find answers. Results count. Use your ability to sleuth out a problem. Tonight: Where the music is.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
**** Others might not agree with you. Look toward important discussions. Curb your temper, but use your ability to frame issues. Another does hear you loud and clear. Experiment with ideas and different financial options. Discussions need to be on a one-on-one level. Tonight: Togetherness counts.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
**** Plunge into work. Study ways of eliminating expenditures that might make you uncomfortable. Recognize that another tends to look at a situation differently than you do. Ultimately, you make the call because your funds are involved. Others come to you. Tonight: Sort your

options.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
**** You speak your mind. You get strong responses that might shake you up. Think before you stick your foot in your mouth. It might be hard to take away hurtful words. Know what you expect professionally from others. Maintain your standards. Tonight: Work late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
**** Your mind works on overtime. You might wonder exactly where another is coming from. Review ideas carefully and think through a decision. Your idea of what is acceptable could vary. Make family your highest priority. You have the means to make another happy. Tonight: Kick up your heels.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
**** Express your deeper feelings. Don't let another intimidate you because of his attitude. Stand up for yourself, and respect will grow. Together you break past barriers. Spend the evening dealing with a personal or domestic matter. Your family appreciates your care. Tonight: Make a favorite meal.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
**** Finances motivate you, but a boss certainly knows how to push your buttons. Establish limits, but acknowledge what might need to be changed. Work with a boss. Let him know where you are coming from. Communication flourishes as long as neither of you becomes defensive. Tonight: Out and about.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
**** Do whatever you need to do to gain the information you seek. Don't back off until you are satisfied. Your ability to find solutions becomes your strong suit. Trust your abilities. Think. Play amateur psychologist. Others respect your decision. Tonight: Work late.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
**** Deal with a partner so you can understand what motivates him on a subliminal level. Refuse to be cornered, and make strong choices for yourself as well. A money issue might appear to be overwhelming. Solutions are easily found if both parties are willing. Tonight: Take a bow. You're in the limelight.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
**** Stay goal-oriented, even when confronted by another's hostilities. Your vision of what is possible takes you to a new level. Realize limits. Talk to a partner and help him gracefully express a change of heart. Being accusatory doesn't work. Tonight: Do for you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
**** Co-workers and bosses push. You might want to say halt. Work within constraints. Note how much you can get done when you're under the gun. Others pitch in and help. Schedule a get-together in the later part of the day. You celebrate a success. Tonight: Get into the moment.

Birth rate drops to 60-year low for teens

ATLANTA (AP) — Teenagers are having babies at the lowest rate in at least 60 years, and everyone is taking credit — from religious groups that push abstinence to advocates for contraceptives and sex education in schools. Analysts from several viewpoints agreed Tuesday on this much: Teens are more terrified than ever of sexually transmitted dis-

eases, and they are putting off starting families to take jobs in the booming economy. For every 1,000 girls ages 15 to 19, there were 49.6 births — the lowest level since the statistic was first recorded six decades ago, the National Center for Health Statistics said. The rate dropped consistently throughout the 1990s, falling 20 percent for the

decade. "Teen-agers frankly are more conservative sexually," said Bill Albert, spokesman for the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy. "They realize that the risks in the 1990s were quite a bit different than the risks their parents took in the '60s and '70s." The drop was sharp among girls ages 15 to 17, whose rate fell 6 percent.

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OUR VIEWS

Nice to see the city park taking shape

We are delighted to see the Heart of the City Park beginning to take shape in downtown Big Spring.

It wasn't that long ago that the corner of Second and Scurry was occupied by one of our city's worst eyesores — the Permian Building. Through hard work and cooperation, that old structure has been removed.

While that particular lot is actually adjacent to and not a part of the planned park, it is clear that without removal of the aging building, the park project would never have gotten under way. For the time being, the spot where the Permian Building stood will become a parking lot and will remain available in the event the park is expanded.

Last week, Wilderness Camp inmates began constructing a pavilion at the park. Landscaping is planned to include trees, walkways and lighting. Herald employees are proud to be in on the project — they are donating a community Christmas tree that will be planted in the park.

The park will be a place for visitors to find information about Big Spring as well as a place for downtown workers and shoppers to relax. On a broader scale, it will be the scene of entertainment, community picnics, Christmas caroling and... well, the possibilities are limitless.

We can think of few better things for our community than to take what used to be a blight on the downtown area and turn it into an area of function and beauty. Many entities, businesses, organizations and individuals have contributed both funds and time to make the park a reality.

We look forward to the day that it is dedicated this October and to the many community-oriented events to be held there for years to come.

YOUR VIEWS

TO THE EDITOR:

On Saturday, July 15, the Big Spring Shrine Club held a special day to recognize our public officials, such as the police officers, firefighters, sheriff's deputies, volunteer firefighters and all correctional officers.

The event was a success and the turnout was great. Each guest was served ice cream, cake, popcorn and coke and balloons were available for the children.

Thank you Nobles and your Ladies for working so hard to put this together. A special thank you to those who supported this event, the Herald, Wal-Mart, HEB, Blue Bell, Coca-Cola, and the radio station.

All these people were willing to help recognize our public officials. Thanks again for your support and we look forward to a larger and better turn out for next year.

JOHN KELLER JR.
PRESIDENT BIG SPRING SHRINE CLUB

TO THE EDITOR:

I just want to write and thank Margaret Lloyd and the Humane Society for being there when they were really needed.

You're God's gift and angles to these animals. Thank you for helping me!

God Bless you all!
SHARON OSBURN
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LETTER POLICIES

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Lieberman: The epitome of moral rectitude

His every Republican's favorite Democrat. Sen. Joseph Lieberman, Al Gore's pick for vice president, is the epitome of moral rectitude and political independence. Sen. Lieberman didn't mince words when it came to condemning Bill Clinton for having "extramarital relations with an employee half his age ... in the workplace, in the vicinity of the Oval Office."



LINDA CHAVEZ

He called the president's behavior "not just inappropriate, it is immoral."

And Lieberman has taken some courageous stands on political issues as well. He was one of only 10 Senate Democrats to vote to support President Bush on the Gulf War in 1991. He supports private school vouchers, a stand that puts him at odds with Al Gore and the teachers' unions, whose ranks will include more than one out of every 10 delegates to next week's Democratic convention. Lieberman has even taken

on the bilingual education lobby, introducing legislation that would require more English and limit native language instruction.

But can Joe Lieberman's personal decency and political moderation salvage Al Gore's candidacy? Clearly, Gore hopes that Lieberman's addition to the ticket will help distance him from the Clinton scandals. But Lieberman may actually provide a stark — and unflattering — contrast to Gore himself.

For while Gore has said mildly critical things about President Clinton's relationship with Monica Lewinsky, who can forget that it was Gore who led a political pep rally following the House Judiciary Committee's vote to impeach the president?

"This is the saddest day I have seen in our nation's capital," Gore told a group of Democratic lawmakers gathered on the South Lawn, calling Clinton "one of our greatest presidents."

Perhaps, more importantly, Gore has built a reputation over the last seven years as a man willing to compromise principles in order to advance his own and his party's political position. While Lieberman will be remembered as the Democrat who accused his own president of helping

"blur some of the most important bright lines of right and wrong in our society," Gore's legacy is one of claiming "no controlling legal authority" when he had to defend his own unethical and arguably illegal telephone calls from the White House soliciting campaign contributions in 1996.

Gore's dissembling when questioned by the FBI both about the phone calls and his role at a 1996 campaign fund-raiser held at a Buddhist Temple led two career prosecutors at the Justice Department to recommend an independent counsel be appointed to investigate Gore and others in the White House. FBI director Louis Freeh made a similar recommendation, as did a Democratic political appointee at Justice — to no avail, given Attorney General Janet Reno's aversion to unearthing any more Clinton-Gore scandals.

But the worse thing that could come of Lieberman's nomination is that he may lose some of his own moral probity. The demands of political campaigning could turn this "conscience of the Senate" into just another partisan player. Already, Sen. Lieberman has taken to calling names on the campaign trail. At a union rally in Hartford this week,

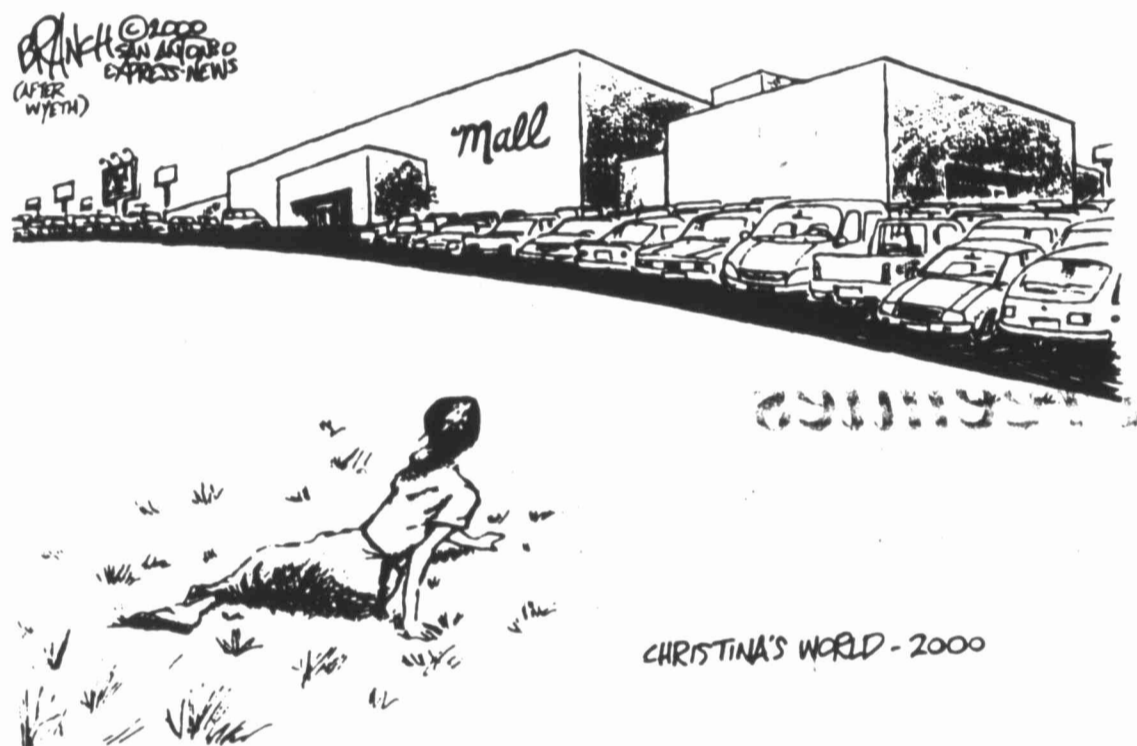
Lieberman accused the Republicans of being the party of the rich, and said the Republican ticket would "savage" Social Security — a charge he surely knows is false.

Attack-politics and scare tactics aren't likely to work this election round. Gore's standing in the polls — he's down between nine and 18 points in the post-GOP convention surveys — prove that he doesn't need another James Carville-like attack dog at his side, which may be one reason he picked Lieberman in the first place. It would be a tremendous mistake for the Democratic ticket, and Lieberman personally, if he were to play hatchet man in this election.

Lieberman intends to run two concurrent campaigns in the fall, one to retain his Senate seat (allowed by Connecticut law), and the other to become vice president. Lieberman remains the odds-on favorite to be re-elected as a U.S. senator from Connecticut, even if his chances of becoming vice president are slimmer. If Lieberman's vice-presidential campaign rhetoric becomes too strident and Gore loses in the fall, a re-elected Sen. Lieberman could end up diminished as a moral leader in the U.S. Senate.

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Enjoying some rather unusual pets

Oscar Morgan spent a whole bunch of years in the oil patch

around Odessa, then settled down on a ranch near Sipe Springs (pronounced Seep Springs) in Comanche county. He goes fishing, loves to dance and takes care of his cattle.

When he was growing up, he always had unusual pets. Once he had a pet crow.

"I found his nest when he was small and took him to the house and raised him," says Oscar. "When we'd be working in the field, he'd perch on my shoulder. Every once in a while he'd fly off and get a grasshopper, then come back to my shoulder. He'd spend the

whole day with me. That crow sure was a lot of company."

Oscar says the bird could practically carry on a conversation with him. They grew very close. One time Oscar found some lice on the bird.

"I decided I'd try to get rid of them. We didn't have sprays and all that stuff when I was growing up. We did have lye soap. I thought I'd give the bird a bath and try to get rid of that lice."

It was a real hot day when Oscar decided to rid his crow of lice. He got a tub, put it under a shade tree, filled it with hot water and soaped up the bird real good. He rinsed off the crow, patted it dry and put it on the ground. The bird wandered over next to the house while Oscar cleaned up the bath area.

"I noticed the bird shaking, but didn't think anything about it. First

thing I knew, he had fallen over dead. Only thing I can figure is the soap took all the natural oil out of his feathers, went under his skin and drowned him, I guess. I sure did hate that 'cause we had a good time together."

Oscar's grandparents lived in a log house with a stone fireplace. They had a pet monkey.

"At night, they'd sit there by the fire and talk and visit, you know. During cold weather, they'd get sweet potatoes, roll them up in a wet cloth, stick them in the edge of the ashes, rake some of that fire up on them, coal and everything, and bake them. When they'd get them out to eat, they'd always give the monkey some. He liked those sweet potatoes."

They also had a big old tomcat that stayed pretty close to the fire most of the time. One night the cat was lying there in front of the fire about half asleep.

"The monkey decided that those potatoes should be just about done. He was looking at my grandparents, then at the fireplace, then at the cat. Nobody was paying him any attention. The monkey decided it was time for that potato to come out of the fireplace. He grabbed that tomato's front leg, reached in there and raked that potato out of the fire with the cat's paw. The monkey got the potato and turned the cat loose."

"The cat went around and up over the furniture, back around and out the front door, squalling all the way."

Oscar says his grandparents just laughed at all that.

"The cat's foot healed OK and it wasn't long before things were back to normal around my grandparents' house."

"But it was a while before the cat took naps in front of the fire while the monkey was around."



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Garden club adopts state hospital's entrance

By VALERIE AVERY
Herald Correspondent

One tireless group of volunteers quietly moves through Big Spring — shovels and rakes in glove-covered hands — turning neglected areas into small oases of beauty.

Members of the Spade and Hoe Club descend on untouched and neglected corners of Howard County, work their magic by turning fertile soil into the hard-scrabble countryside and the section is never the same. The once-ignored spot at once becomes a tiny haven in the weather-beaten countryside.

Most recently, the Spade and Hoe Garden Club transformed the entrance of Big Spring State Hospital with fragrant and colorful lantana. Purple and white blooms grace the first area visitors, patients, and employees see every day upon entering the expansive campus.

When word that funding for Big Spring's psychiatric patients had become stretched at the state level, the area's gardeners recognized how important landscaping is to the campus and approached officials, said Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations Billie Russworm.

Last fall, members of the Rosebud Garden Club planted several flats of purple and gold pansies and when those played out in the heat of the summer, the 20 members of the Spade and Hoe Garden Club asked if they could take a turn on the

entrance's appearance.

"They were a Godsend," Russworm said. "We were trying to decide what to do when Holly Gandy (chairman of the Spade and Hoe Garden Club's state hospital replanting and Comanche Trail Rose Arbor Refurbishing projects) called."

"The garden club wanted to help and we found them an area that needed some work."

Spade and Hoe Garden Club President Ellen Valencia surveyed the area and decided planting the lantana — a heat and drought-tolerant plant — at the entrance would make the biggest impact, Gandy said.

"It's a West Texas plant and it thrives in the hot sun and doesn't take much water."

(Lantana) comes back every year, and it won't have to be replanted. It's a very low-growing flower, and the purple and white was real colorful and smells better. Terri Johansen, our co-chairman, selected it as the best plant and ordered it for us."

Big Spring State Hospital maintenance workers mulched the newly planted area and will water the plants. Members of the Spade and Hoe Garden Club will maintain the area and periodically check on the plants, Gandy said.

The garden club's offer to assist Big Spring State Hospital was a big morale boost for employees and patients, hospital CEO Ed Moughon said. "It was very helpful to us," he said. "I



Holly Gandy, from left, Sue Haugh, Ellen Valencia and Irene Medellin of the Spade and Hoe Garden Club work on planting hardy and colorful vegetation at the state hospital.

don't know if the garden club knows how much we appreciate them for taking on this project.

"We don't always have the money to do the little extras. We like to concentrate our finances on directly helping the patients. Although this helps the patients because it's something lovely to look at, most of our money is directed to hands-on patient care."

Each time a new group or person visits Big Spring State Hospital, it gives hospital employees an opportunity to spread the word about what occurs at the hospital, Russworm said.

"The Volunteer Services Council tries to stay con-

nected with the community as much as possible. Anytime we have the opportunity to get people from the community out here, we can educate them about what we do here and that's a plus for us."

Even though the Spade and Hoe Garden Club has completed the project at Big Spring State Hospital, they are looking for other projects.

Members are actively refurbishing the Comanche Trail Rose Arbor, which is located near the Municipal Golf Course Pro Shop.

"It's been neglected; it has been around for a long time," Gandy said of the Rose Arbor. "They used to

have weddings and other events there. We are planning on making it into an English Tea Garden. We just want to make it look nice."

The city of Big Spring has tilled the area and weeded it, but the garden club still needs more assistance in improving the area. If you would like to donate to the project or if your organization would like to adopt a spot, contact Gandy at 268-9480 or Valencia at 264-0253.

"If somebody wants to donate money to us, we don't mind doing the work. We just have a real mindset in improving Big Spring and cleaning up neglected areas."

Home office at less expense

Setting up a home office can be an expensive venture, whether you want to start a home-based business or have a special place to pay bills and keep financial records.



DANA TARTER

But there are several cost-cutting tactics you can use to reduce your expense, according to Sue Lynn Sasser, family economics specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

For example, you can start with the materials that you have on hand. If you have an extra table or folding table that is not being used, it will make a good temporary desk until you can afford to purchase a new one. Another alternative would be to stack bricks or cement blocks and planks of wood to make a desk or a bookshelf.

If you have a limited budget, you may want to shop at garage sales, flea markets, thrift stores and other second-hand places for bargains.

Be creative and open-minded about the potential use of furniture and other items when shopping. Salvage stores often carry used equipment and furniture that can be bought at a reasonable price. You may also want to shop at auctions or visit local businesses that are liquidating or remodeling (they may be buying new furniture and equipment to match their new look.)

It also pays to ask friends or businesses who are moving if they are interested in selling any of their furniture or accessories. Some people find it easier and most cost effective to sell what they have rather than moving it to a new location.

You may also want to make friends with the second-hand dealers in town. They can help you scout out the items you need to complete your home office and leave you more time to concentrate on other issues.

Another option is to shop online. In addition to the Web sites that allow people to buy and sell such as in an auction, there are also many companies that sell refurbished equipment and furnishings. In many cases, items bought from manufacturers or other companies will include a warranty.

Overall, the money that you save in office furnishings can be invested in your business, be used to pay other debts or be placed into a saving account for future needs.

Dana Tarter is the Howard County extension agent—family and consumer science.

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Preemies

Tiny patients create challenge for hospital workers, families

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. (AP) — Traditional forms of punishment didn't stop Bryon F. Fritz from impersonating a police officer or security guard, so a judge agreed to try something different: public humiliation.

Circuit Judge Thomas S. Shadrick approved a plea agreement Wednesday requiring Fritz to wear a sign while marching in front of the probation and parole office.

The sign will read, "Warning: Do not violate your suspended sentence or probation or you may end up doing this."

Fritz also was ordered to spend three months' worth of weekends in jail for violating terms of his probation by dressing and acting like a security guard. He is to wear the sign on Monday and Tuesday.

"I am not a proponent of public humiliation," the judge said. "But hopefully, this will have some effect on some probationers."

Mark Del Duca, Fritz's attorney, agreed to the deal because he said it was something Fritz wanted to do.

Authorities say Fritz has a long history of pretending to be a police officer.

ST. GEORGES, Del. (AP) — Residents say they didn't know Buck was living the life of an outlaw — until

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HARLINGEN (AP) — Matthew Paul De La Garza beat Mother's Day by a few hours. And he beat his Aug. 20 due date by almost 14 weeks.

Unlike most babies, he didn't come crying into the world.

When doctors lifted him out of his mother's womb after a hurried Cesarean operation, liquid medication was poured down his lungs through a trachea tube to help him develop the ability to breathe.

Then, he was hooked onto a ventilator and placed in an incubator in the Newborn Intensive Care Unit at Valley Baptist Medical Center.

The 1-pound, 14-ounce tiny bundle of life didn't know how to breathe, suck or swallow.

He was not supposed to. But he had to learn to live outside his mother's womb, doing things that come naturally to babies in due course.

His stunned mother, Cynthia De La Garza, who's from San Antonio was visiting family from the Valley with her husband, had a perfect pregnancy before her sudden delivery.

She had seen the doctor a week before and nothing was amiss.

But the night of May 12, she felt slight contractions,

experienced bleeding in the morning and a few hours later gave birth to her second son.

Matthew was only 26 weeks into gestation when he was born.

A registered nurse, Cynthia De La Garza remembers feeling heartbroken and scared when she saw her newborn's little arms and legs, his eyes still shut, his features barely discernible.

"It was hard to believe that the little baby was alive," she said, tears welling up in her eyes at the memory. "It was very overwhelming. I felt sad."

Matthew's father, Louis, had two weeks left before graduation from dental school and a week to go before his board exams.

The family must move to South Carolina, where Louis had to report to the Army base by early August. The house had to be sold and the furniture moved out.

There was a timetable set until the miracle baby came along.

Today, Matthew is about 36 weeks into womb time and 2-1/2 months old in the real world. Recently he weighed close to 4 pounds 3 ounces and was 15 inches long. He was also doing normal baby things, like bottle

feeding his mother's milk.

"We're relieved that he's dodged all the little problems," Louis said. "He hasn't had any setbacks."

During his last weeks in the hospital, Matthew sometimes would forget to breathe and had to be stimulated. Meanwhile, doctors and nurses monitored his progress every minute.

Premature babies carry the danger of underdeveloped internal organs and frequent tests have to be done to ensure that the heart, chest, liver, eyes, the ears, brain and kidneys are functioning fine, said VBMC nurse Catherine Domian, who oversees the nurses' education.

Well settled in the crock of his dad's arm, Matthew continued to slumber while Louis lightly touched the skin folds on his tiny arms, a look of amazement on his face.

"There was a time when we were scared to touch him from fear of hurting him," he said. "He looked so fragile."

The couple has been watching his bodily features mature and mirror some of their own.

"He's beginning to get my feet and his daddy's hands," Cynthia said with a laugh. "God has given us a chance to watch him grow."

Matthew was released

from the hospital July 28 to join his 3-year-old brother, who had been introduced to him only through pictures.

"He's excited," Cynthia said.

VBMC Neonatologist Rodolfo Saca said that premature babies are normally discharged from the hospital when they weighed at least 4 pounds, 8 ounces.

Now that he's out of the hospital, Matthew still has to be monitored for some time for susceptibility to infections, especially lung infections.

And when he's older, Matthew will have to be watched for asthma, learning disabilities, vision or hearing problems.

"Doctors recommend that preemies not be sent to day-care centers because of their susceptibility to infections," Cynthia said.

And to keep an eye on the new family addition, the mother who had originally planned to take a one-year break said she will be at home a little longer.

"We haven't changed our plans," Louis said. "Only, we have changed our approach."

Twenty-six years ago, VBMC's first neonatal intensive care unit had eight beds.

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BACK-TO-SCHOOL NEWS

COAHOMA JUNIOR HIGH WILL have "Welcome Back Night" on Monday from 6-8 p.m. Students can pick up their schedules and locker assignments. Call 394-4615 for more information.

ELBOW ELEMENTARY WILL BE having registration for new students through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Please bring social security card, shot record and birth certificate. Parents may also purchase lunch tickets at this time.

MEET THE TEACHER AT Bauer Magnet Elementary will be Tuesday from 1-3 p.m. All parents of new and returning students are invited to meet their child's teacher.

WESTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER WILL have registration for the 2000-2001 school year today and Thursday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Registration will take place at the Westside Day Care Center building #449 in the Industrial Park. Call 263-7841 for more information.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

BSHS GRADUATING CLASSES OF 1974-75 are planning a 25-year reunion for homecoming in September. We are lacking addresses for a large number of class members, too many to be listed.

Anyone who has locating information on a graduate from these classes is asked to call Roxie McDaniel, 267-5846.

THE CLASS OF 1965 is seeking information about class members for the 35th reunion in September. If you can help them find a member of this class, call Judi Atkins at 263-2760 or 267-5211 or Mariam Williams at 267-8537.

AUGUST 2000

IN BRIEF

Thompson says he'll retire after season

Former Big Spring head football coach and athletic director David Thompson told For Sports Southwest reporter Dave Nobler that he was going to coach just one more season.

Thompson, the head football coach at South Grand Prairie the last 10 years, told Nobler this during a segment on "High School Extra", which first aired Sunday morning.

Thompson coached the Steers from 1988-90 and took them to the playoffs twice, including a semi-final berth in 1989.

Gwyn's team loses at ASA Nationals

Big Spring's Christina Gwyn surrendered just one earned run to the Tempe (Arizona) Hot Shots.

Unfortunately for her, the Everman Cowgirl defense committed five errors behind her as the Cowgirls lost 5-0 at the American Softball Association national tournament in Garland.

Gwyn scattered six hits during the contest.

Big Spring CC to host Guys and Gals event

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

Registration takes place at 10 a.m. on Aug. 12. Lunch each day starts at 11 a.m. and the tournament will begin with a shotgun start 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 (916) 267-5354.

Little League football signups ongoing

Signups for boys and girls for Little League football or cheerleading is currently ongoing 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.

Three fall baseball signups scheduled

Three signups for the Crossroads Fall Baseball League have been scheduled.

The dates of these are Aug. 19, 25 and 26, all at the Big Spring Mall. The signups are set for 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Aug. 19 and 26 and from 6-8 p.m. on Aug. 25.

The cost of registration is \$25.

New Hampshire police upset over deaths

Police are angry that New Hampshire International Speedway failed to tell them about the crash deaths of two NASCAR drivers, and in one case moved the car before local authorities arrived.

ON THE AIR

Television

BASEBALL
6 p.m. — Oakland Athletics at New York Yankees, ESPN, Ch. 30.
7 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Cleveland Indians, FSN, Ch. 29.

Kirkland brings strong bloodlines to position

By JOHN HASSELMEIER

Sports Editor

GARDEN CITY

— If bloodlines mean anything at all, the Garden City High School girls basketball team should have another stellar campaign.

After all, new coach Brent Kirkland's father, Jim, won



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a couple of state girls basketball championships. His younger sister, Krista, was on the Texas Tech national champion womens basketball team in 1993.

As for Kirkland, he turned in a big accomplishment in his previous job at Cooper High School near Lubbock. His Lady Pirates finished third in District 2-3A, but ended up shocking defending Region 1-3A champion Shallowater on the way to the regional tournament.

He's a 1987 graduate of Sudan High School. He started at quarterback for

the Hornets for two years, leading them to a zone championship in 1985 and to a 10-0 record in 1986.

Quite the athlete, he started four years for the Hornets in basketball. His senior year, Sudan lost the Region 1-1A championship game to Paducah. He also qualified for state in the pole vault his senior year as SHS won the Region 1-1A team title.

Even before he graduated Sudan High School, Kirkland knew he wanted to coach.

"My whole life, I've want-

ed to be a coach," Kirkland said. "I just kinda fell into the business, I guess. I've just been around it my whole life and kept going."

From Sudan, he went on to Texas Tech University, where he got his degree in kinesiology with a minor in biology in 1992.

By that time, his father had relocated to Calallen High School in the Corpus Christi area. He just happened to have an opening at the junior high level and Brent Kirkland's coaching career was underway.

He stayed at Calallen one

year. However, during that year, he met a young lady who was a four-year starter on the Calallen basketball team by the name of Shana Brown.

It wasn't too long before she became Shana Kirkland, who has also been hired by the Glasscock County Independent School District to coach at Garden City. The Kirklands have one son, Kellan, who is five.

After that year, he accepted his first head coaching job at Rotan High School.

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Campo remains optimistic

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — If Dave Campo wasn't coaching the Dallas Cowboys, he'd be a great spin doctor for the presidential campaigns. His specialty: finding something good in any situation — even the bad ones.

No matter what has happened the first three weeks of his first training camp in charge, Campo has remained upbeat. Or, to use his favorite buzzwords, he's been "excited" and "positive."

Whether it's the team's continued problems with penalties, the offense's struggles in enemy territory or the absence of two Pro Bowl offensive linemen, Campo has done his best to find the silver lining in each.

Here's how Campo spun those subjects at his daily news conference Tuesday:

Penalties
The Cowboys were the most penalized team in the NFL last season and Campo spent the offseason training his players to follow the rules.

He harped on things like focus and tempo to cut down the pre-snap penalties, such as offsides and false starts. He also brought in officials to work every summer minicamp and every training camp session.

The dedication seemed to be paying off, especially after his team had just two penalties in the opener. Then came the second exhibition game against Atlanta this past weekend.

Dallas committed 10 penalties, including six prior to snaps. Four of the pre-snap penalties were by the defense in the first quarter, when Falcons quarterback Chris Chandler tricked them with a hard count.



Dallas Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith is shown going through drills before a game during the 1993 season. Despite the fact that Smith and his teammates haven't exactly looked good in the first two pre-season games, new head coach Dave Campo is optimistic things will be better.

Campo's spin: The defense was just being overly aggressive, which is easier to correct than if they were too passive, and he's glad to know they need to practice handling a hard count.

"I felt like we'd made a

lot of progress in that area, but Chris Chandler is one of the best in the business at it and he exploited us," Campo said. "We can expect it again from here on out, so it's an area that we need to clean up (quickly)."

Rogers helps Rangers beat Cleveland on road, 11-2

CLEVELAND (AP) — Indians manager Charlie Manuel was tempted to jump off Cleveland's bench, grab a bat and take a couple whacks at Kenny Rogers himself.

"I was sitting there watching and thought, 'We gotta hit this guy,'" Manuel said. "But we didn't. He threw strikes, changed speeds and teased us to death. He put the ball where he wanted it."

Rogers cooled down Cleveland with eight strong innings Tuesday night, and

Gabe Kapler extended his hitting streak to 22 games as the Rangers snapped the Indians' six-game winning streak with an 11-2 victory.

Rogers (11-9), dropping breaking balls on the corners at will, limited the Indians to two runs and eight hits. He walked four and struck out three in winning for the first time in four starts.

After being shut out Monday night, the Rangers gave Rogers more support than he's been used to. Texas had scored just 15

runs in Rogers' last six starts.

And when Rogers took the mound in the first inning, the Rangers were already up 3-0.

"I'll take that any time. I can be a better pitcher when we score runs like that," joked Rogers, who made his 400th career appearance for the Rangers. "I was fortunate. I got the double play early and I minimized my mistakes."

Rogers hasn't gotten much

Giants 1, Brewers 0

At San Francisco, Ortiz (7-10) repeated the feat of fellow Giants pitchers Shawn Estes and Livan Hernandez, who each drove in runs the previous two days, by singling in the fifth to score J.T. Snow, who walked to start the inning.

Brewers left fielder Geoff Jenkins tried to snare Ortiz's hit, but the ball glanced off the top of his glove.

Ortiz retired the first 12 batters he faced, giving up a leadoff double to Richie Sexson in the fifth. He allowed one other hit — a single by Milwaukee pitch-

er Jamey Wright (6-5) in the sixth. Ortiz struck out six, and walked one.

Ortiz, who won his third straight at home after beginning the season 0-4 in eight starts at Pac Bell Park, did not allow a runner past second.

Phillies 10, Padres 4

Pat Burrell hit two homers, including a grand slam, as host Philadelphia beat San Diego.

Burrell is 6-for-7 with 17 RBIs with the bases loaded. It was his second two-homer, five-RBI game of the season, the last coming June 20 against the Mets.

Omar Daal (3-12) pitched six innings for the victory, his first since May 25 when he was with Arizona. The Phillies scored in each of the first four innings against Brian Tollberg (2-2).

Braves 5, Reds 4

Rafael Furcal had his third straight three-hit game, and Andruw Jones and Wally Joyner each drove in a pair of runs to lead visiting Atlanta over Cincinnati.

The game was delayed briefly after the second inning when Braves pitching coach Leo Mazzone fainted and fell onto the dugout floor, leaving him with a bloody nose.

Marlins 7, Cardinals 0

Jesus Sanchez (7-8) threw a six-hitter for his second career shutout and drove in a run as Florida won at St. Louis.

Andy Fox had two hits and two RBIs as the Marlins beat the Cardinals for the first time in five games this year. Florida has won six of seven overall.

Rockies 6, Pirates 1

Brian Rose (1-0) won his Coors Field debut, and Jeff Cirillo drove in three runs to lead Colorado over Pittsburgh.

Jeffrey Hammonds went 3-for-3 with a run scored and increased his batting average to .370. Todd Helton went 2-for-4 to increase his NL-leading average to .381.

Expos 9, Diamondbacks 4

Vladimir Guerrero hit a pair of two-run homers as Montreal cruised to victory at Arizona.

The outcome allowed San Francisco, which beat Milwaukee 1-0, to widen its lead over the Diamondbacks in the NL West to a season-high two games.

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I'm looking for a few good men (or women) to string

There's a lot that goes with football season, hard work, high expectations, picture days, "Meet the Whomevers" and what-have-you, but there's one other thing that it means to me that it hasn't in a while.

As you know (or I hope you do, anyway), the Big Spring Herald covers eight school districts and I can't be there for them all.

Your help is needed.

What I need are "stringers", people who can go to a game and write a story on it. Yes, there's pay involved.

Right now, my plans are to be at all the Big Spring games, plus Stanton at Reagan County (the Steers are off that week) and the Sands homecoming game against Ropesville (it's on a Saturday afternoon). Other than that, writers, I need writers!

I've been told that it would be okay if every single game our eight teams play has someone there.

If you live in the vicinity of the school and would like to do this, call me. One thing I very much

want to point out in the nicest way possible is that these other teams, at one time or another, will play one another.

I bring that up to bring this up. Every person in one of those places is a customer so far as we're concerned and we'd really rather not upset them because of something a stringer did. In this business, people will get upset at you when you do things right, so if you feel like you can keep from cutting the other team down, please call me.

I remember when I led a story with, during my younger days "Brownfield survived a tough Slaton defense and even tougher officiating..." That's an example of

something I would ask you not to do.

If two of our teams play one another, I might ask you to cover one other game. I remember one place I worked where that happened that one of the correspondents through a fit and wouldn't cover an alternate game, which mean money, not going into his pocket.

If you are interested in doing this, please pick up that telephone and call me at 263-7331, Extension 233. If you have a preference on team, that's fine. If you have some work I can look at, wonderful!

Yes, I'm looking for a few good men (or women, I'm not particular), so please call in now!



JOHN HASSELMEIER

AUGUST 2000

SPORTS EXTRA

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
Pittsburgh Pirates traded LHP...

MAJOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

Table with columns for American League East, Central, West, and National League East, Central, West divisions. Includes columns for W, L, Pct., and GB.

WNBA

Monday's Games
Orlando 65, Washington 57
Detroit 74, Indiana 63
Houston 71, Phoenix 54

NFL PRESEASON

Thursday's Games
Tampa Bay at Miami, 6 p.m.
Carolina at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.

KIRKLAND

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The Lady Hammers' basketball record of 10-19 might not sound like much, but the then-Class 2A RHS had won a total of three games the previous three years combined.

"I took a young lady (Julie Williams) to state in cross-country and track in the 800," Kirkland said.

RANGERS

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help from Texas' bullpen this season, either. Relievers have blown saves in three straight no-decisions for him.

ARENA FOOTBALL

Thursday, July 27
Arizona 41, Buffalo 34
Friday, July 28
Oklahoma 52, New England 38

SOCCER

Saturday's Games
Tampa Bay at San Jose, 3 p.m.
New England at New York Jersey, 6:30 p.m.

TEXAS LEAGUE

Tuesday's Games
Round Rock 7, El Paso 3
Midland 7, San Antonio 5, 11 innings

TEX-LA LEAGUE

Tuesday's Games
Alexandria 4, Lafayette 3
Amarillo 19, Greenville 11

After another two years there, he went to Cooper. He assisted in cross-country and girls track in addition to coaching girls basketball.

The Lady Pirates basketball team struggled his first two years and had some rough times that last year before everything turned out all right as Cooper advanced to the playoffs in third place.

However, Cooper went to its first regional girls basketball tournament in quite some time.

"Both times we'd played them (Shallowater) during the regular season, we tried a zone because they had a 6-4 and a 6-7 girl and another girl that was 6-0," Kirkland said.

"We kinda got to looking at the film and we gave our post players the green light to shoot three-pointers anytime we caught the ball

at the top of the key. "We hit six or seven three-pointers," Kirkland said. "We started pulling that 6-4 and 6-7 away from the basket. That kinda opened it up for the guards to take it to the hole. We shot 57 percent and won by three. That shows you how good Shallowater was."

One day, Shana was talking to a college friend, Jamie Walker, who taught for GISD. Walker mentioned that Garden City was in need of some coaches, including someone to coach girls basketball. Kirkland called and the rest is history.

In addition to girls basketball, he'll also be assisting in football (quarterbacks and defensive ends), a career first for him. He's also going to have a hand in track as well.

ting behind Raffy," said Kapler, who was recently moved into the No. 5 spot in the batting order.

Oates felt Kapler's double was the biggest play of the game.

"If he didn't come through there, then there is no telling where the game goes," Oates said. "That's a big at-bat right there."

The Indians blew a chance to get back in it in the fourth when they put runners at second and third with no outs. But Jim Thome got doubled off second on Wil Cordero's line-out, and Sandy Alomar popped out.

"Their balls found the holes, ours didn't," Roberto Alomar said.

Greer hit a two-run homer, his fifth, in the seventh to make it 9-1.

Notes: Bere is 0-4 with a 15.05 ERA in six career starts at Jacobs Field. ... Tuesday's game was the 500th in Jacobs Field since the ballpark opened in 1994.

Cleveland is 306-194 at home. Of the 496 home dates — there have been three doubleheaders — 467 have been sellouts. ... Texas LHP Darren Oliver will start for Triple-A Oklahoma on Saturday night as he begins a rehab assignment. Oliver is on the disabled list with weakness in his pitching shoulder. ... Cleveland's pitchers gave up just 16 runs during the six-game winning streak. ... Rogers has the Rangers' only complete game this season.

Howard College Criminal Justice Department advertisement. Includes logo, text: 'Education...For Learning...For Earning...For Life!', 'Quality Education', 'Individual Attention', 'Thorough Preparation', 'Registration Aug. 23', '264-5126', and 'Correctional Officer'.

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AL LEADERS

Table listing AL leaders in various categories like batting average, home runs, RBIs, etc.

NL LEADERS

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CONCLUSION

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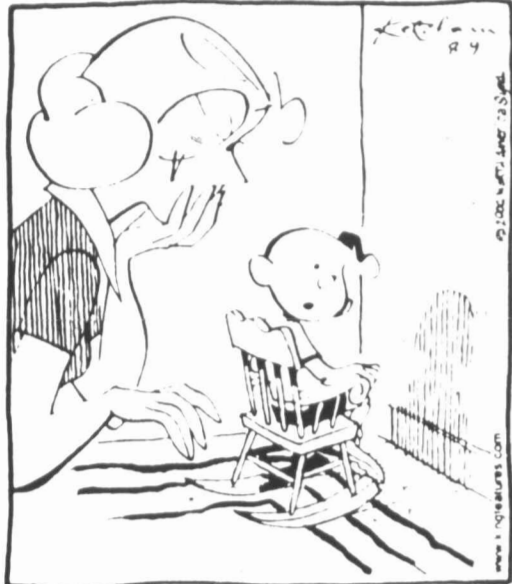
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7:30 PM	Two Guys-Girl Norm (CC)	King of the Hill Family Guy	Whale Rescue	Providence (CC)	Survivor (CC)	Two Guys-Girl Norm (CC)	DateLine (CC)	Ripley's Believe It or Not!	Mujeres Enganadas	(CC)	Magnificent Seven (CC)	(CC)	Movie: A House	Light of the Southwest	Biography (CC)	On the Inside	Movie: Overboard	Extreme Machines	
8:30 PM	Drew Carey Spin City (CC)	Am High Am High	Friends Michael Ball	Courage	Big Brother (CC)	Drew Carey Spin City (CC)	West Wing (CC)	(05) WCW Thunder	Tres Mujeres	2 Hour Tour (25) Movie:	18 Wheels of Justice (CC)	Movie: Trekkies (CC)	Divided (CC)	Sex and-City Arliss (CC)	American Justice (CC)	Egypt Uncovered	(CC)	Space Junkyard	
9:30 PM	Vanished (CC)	Mad Abi You Nanny (CC)	Royal Albert Hall	Early Edtron	48 Hours (CC)	Vanished (CC)	West Wing (CC)	(05) WCW Thunder	Bienvenidos	The Three Musketeers	Dead Man's Gun	Movie: Star Trek: Insurrection (CC)	Soul Food	Sopranos (CC)	Something Good	Investigative Reports (CC)	Egypt Uncovered	Movie: Sixteen Candles	Exodus Earth
10:30 PM	News (CC) Nightline	Jerry Springer (CC)	How to Get What You	700 Club (CC)	News (35) Late	News (CC) Nightline	News (35) Tonight	Ripley's Believe It or Not!	P. Impacto Noticiero Univ	(CC) Jeff Jackson	Cagney & Lacey	Trek: Insurrection (CC)	Movie: Sour Grapes (CC)	Oz (CC)	News Life in Word	Law & Order (CC)	On the Inside	Sixteen Candles	Extreme Machines
11:30 PM	Politically Inc. (36) Maury	Newsradio Unhappily	Really Want	Who's Boss? Who's Boss?	Show (CC) (37) Late Late	Ent. Tonight Politically Inc.	Show (CC) (37) Late	(05) WCW Thunder	Viviana a la Medianoche	Zorro (CC)	Bassmasters Bill Dance	(15) Curse of the Puppet	Kama Sutra	Universal Soldier: The Return (CC)	Duane Sheriff Church	Biography (CC)	Egypt Uncovered	Movie: She's Having a Baby	Space Junkyard
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DENNIS THE MENACE



"I'm filling in for Dennis. He went to get a snack."

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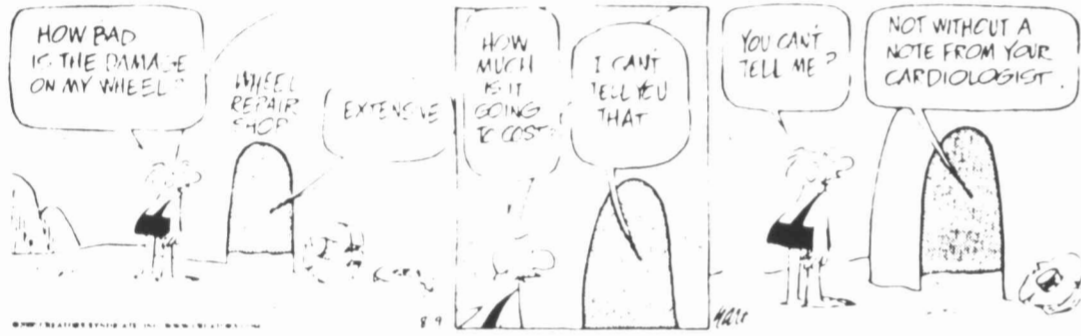
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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Wednesday, Aug. 9, the 222nd day of 2000. There are 144 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Aug. 9, 1945, three days after the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, the United States exploded a nuclear device over Nagasaki, killing an estimated 74,000 people.

On this date:

In 1790, the Columbia returned to Boston Harbor after a three-year voyage, becoming the first ship to carry the American flag around the world.

In 1842, the United States and Canada resolved a border dispute by signing the Webster-Ashburton Treaty.

In 1848, the Free-Soil Party nominated Martin Van Buren for president at its convention in Buffalo, N.Y.

In 1854, Henry David Thoreau published "Walden," which described his experiences while living near Walden Pond in Massachusetts.

In 1902, Edward VII was crowned king of England following the death of his mother, Queen Victoria.

In 1930, a forerunner of the cartoon character Betty Boop made her debut in Max Fleischer's animated short "Dizzy Dishes."

In 1936, Jesse Owens won his fourth gold medal at the Berlin Olympics as the United States took first place in the 400-meter relay.

In 1965, Singapore pro-

claimed its independence from the Malaysian Federation.

In 1969, actress Sharon Tate and four other people were found brutally murdered in Tate's Los Angeles home; cult leader Charles Manson and a group of his disciples were later convicted of the crime.

In 1988, President Reagan nominated Lauro Cavazos to be secretary of education; Cavazos became the first Hispanic to serve in the Cabinet.

Ten years ago: A week after Iraq invaded Kuwait, Western European diplomats and Arab witnesses reported that Iraq had virtually sealed its borders, preventing thousands of foreigners from leaving Iraq or Kuwait.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- Custer's middle name
- Poetry
- Of a particular district
- Fishing basket
- Fit to eat
- Fragrant bod?
- Profound
- Played (with)
- Pass on male genes
- Ram's dam
- Checkers and pawns
- Opponent
- Dawn lawn layer
- Spanish hero, El
- Forcible ejection
- Use boiling water
- "Fly Away"
- Discontinue
- Cassettes' contents
- Zilch
- Pis (last resort)
- Belief involving sorcery
- Farm pen
- Out of style
- 1999 Cy Young winner
- Gender
- PC key
- For each
- Help
- Brief life story
- Iron or wedge
- Sheepish?
- Wife of Zeus
- Johnny's intro
- Yamaguchi's footwear
- Muse of poetry
- Large landmass
- Elizabeth and Bob
- Complicates

DOWN

- In reserve
- Continue a subscription
- "Fibber ___ and Molly"
- Stair
- the season...
- Decomposed
- Vegetable to cry over
- Dark blue shade
- Joyously
- TV adjunct
- Piccadilly Circus statue
- Re-run payments
- Clairvoyants
- In another place
- DiMaggio of the Red Sox
- Central section of a boat
- Broke loose
- Slip-prevention device
- Intense campaign
- Loosen up
- Tolerated
- Spanish horseman
- Of f-stop
- Slip-prevention device
- Recent: pref.
- Snooze in Cancun
- Concerning
- Type of nut
- Dancing Castle
- Tobacco kilns
- noire (bugbear)
- Computer image
- String up
- Help!
- Family

Friday's Puzzle Solved

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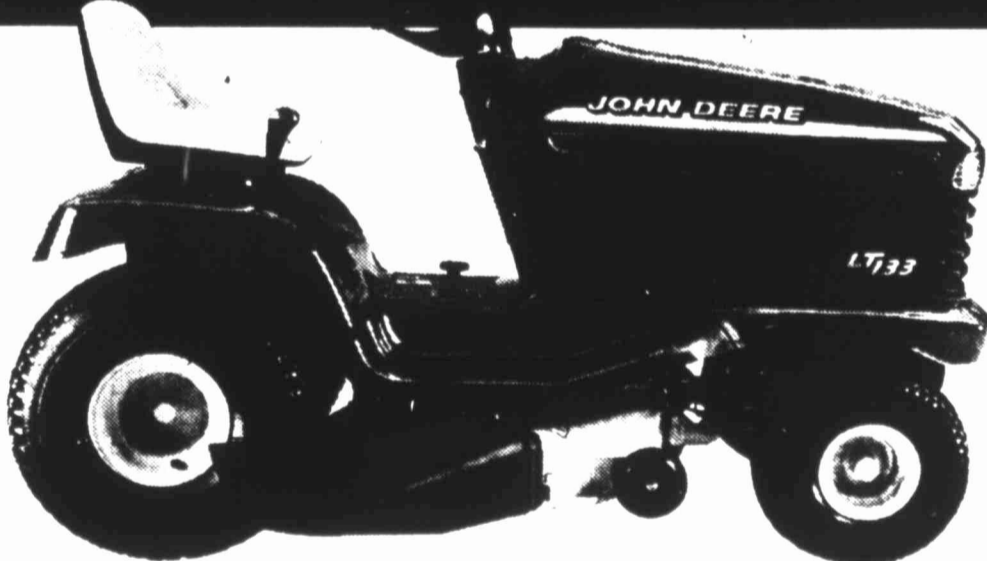
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Please mail, fax, or e-mail your resume, or call for an application to be sent to you. Scenic Mountain Medical Center 1601 W 11th Place Big Spring, TX 79720 Phone: (915)268-4833 Fax: (915)263-0151 E-Mail: robblbanks@yahoo.com OR WEBSITE: SMCCARES.COM Equal Opportunity Employer</p> <p>Construction help needed for 1 month in Coahoma, 7-12. Helpers \$8.40, fitters \$16.20, welders \$15-15.5. Call 915-965-3242</p> <p>Nothing to do at home? Fun job awaits you. Looking for 9 outgoing people. Must be able to travel. Travel & lodging provided. Cash paid daily. Call Casey 888-876-2339</p>	<p>HELP WANTED</p> <p>ENTRY LEVEL COMMUNITY SUPERVISION OFFICER (CSO) minimum requirements as stated in "Standards for TDCJ-CJAD" Section 153.33(a). 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By BETTY DEBNAM

The Mini Page asked our political expert, Polly Ticks, to tell us more about political conventions.

The Republicans held their convention in Philadelphia last week, July 31 through Aug. 3.

The Democrats are getting ready for their convention in Los Angeles, Aug. 14 through 17.

Party Convention Plans

by Polly Ticks

National political party conventions are big meetings where thousands of delegates vote on their candidates for president and vice president.

This is the schedule that political parties usually follow.

Monday: Committee reports, opening exercises and keynote address.

Tuesday: Report from the Platform Committee.

Wednesday: Presidential nominations and roll call of states.

Thursday: Vice presidential nomination and roll call of states; nominees' acceptance speeches.

This year, the presidential election will be held on Nov. 7.

The committees

Much of the work of the convention is done by special committees.

The **National Committee** handles the daily business of the party. There are men and women from each state on this committee.

The **Rules Committee** decides how the convention is to be run and the order of business.

The **Credentials Committee** checks to see if the delegates have the right qualifications, or credentials, to be seated at the convention.

The **Platform Committee** writes the platform, or list, of the party's ideals or goals.

Your plans

During the period of Aug. 14 to 17, you might want to watch some of the convention on TV with your family.

Look for:

- hats
- buttons
- the press
- a gavel
- campaign signs
- security

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MIGHTY FUNNY PHONICS

It's fun to learn phonics, or the sounds that letters make. This week's target sound is the one made by the letter Z, as in the word zipper.

Q: How can you tell the score before the game starts?
A: It's zero to zero.

Q: Would you like your pizza cut into eight or 10 pieces?
A: Only eight. I could never eat 10 pieces!

Q: What goes "zzub, zzub, zzub"?
A: A bee going backward!

Go on a Z word hunt. What other words can you find with the letter Z? What sound do you hear?

Rookie Cookies Recipe

All-American Apple Cobbler

You'll need

- 6 apples, thinly sliced
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 3 tablespoons water
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted

What to do:

1. Combine the first five ingredients in a medium bowl. Mix well.
2. Place in a greased casserole.
3. Combine remaining ingredients in a medium bowl. Mix well.
4. Place topping evenly over apples.
5. Bake in a preheated 350-degree oven for 45 minutes or until topping is slightly browned. Serves 8.

CAMPAIGNS TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of campaigns are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward. See if you can find: VOTER, NEWS, OFFICE, GRASSROOTS, FUNDS, MEDIA, COMMITTEE, CITIZENSHIP, ELECTIONS, VOLUNTEER, CONTEST, AGENDA, TELEVISION, TRAVEL, RUN, POLLS, MONEY.

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- peapod
- donkey's head
- word MINI
- hotdog
- letter D
- canoe
- number 3
- ruler
- mushroom
- question mark
- letter C
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Say Hey to Big L.A.

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The L.A. area is huge

L.A. is in Los Angeles County, which has the largest population of any county in the country (9.8 million). If Los Angeles County were a state, it would rank eighth in population, behind Ohio and ahead of Michigan! There are 88 cities inside the Los Angeles metropolitan area. The cities run together; you cannot always tell when you pass from one city to another.

Like most big cities, L.A. has many problems, including crime and earthquakes.

L.A. Gets Ready

Busy, busy, busy!

The Los Angeles Host Committee is a special committee set up to pay for and put on events to help the city "show off" as the world watches.

Here are some of the people the committee must work to keep happy:

- 4,368 delegates, 610 alternates, and thousands of other guests.
- 15,000 members of the press, who will be writing and filming stories about the convention and the L.A. area.
- the citizens of Los Angeles, who will be welcoming such a huge crowd.

Here are some of the L.A. Host Committee's duties:

More than 5,000 volunteers will help. Here's what the volunteers on various committees will do:

- Information:** Welcome guests and help direct lost visitors.
- Hospitality:** Offer a city guide of things to do and places to visit.
- Special events:** Help plan the special parties and meetings in the L.A. area.
- Media:** Answer questions and suggest local stories reporters might like to cover.
- Transportation:** Take people to and from events and the convention.
- Clerical and Office:** Answer phones and keep up with schedules.

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