#### **TUESDAY**

August 22, 2000

WEATHER

Tonight:



TONIGHT **WEDNESDAY** 70°-75° 90°-95°

#### Dinner theatre tickets on sale at the chamber

Tickets are on sale for a Sept. 1-2 dinner theatre production of the comedy "I Take This Man."

Sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce and the Howard College theater department, the ticket price will include a candlelight meal before the

Tickets are \$25 a couple, \$15 for singles and \$10 for seniors 65 and older. Dinner starts at 7 p.m. and the show goes on at 8 p.m.

The event takes place at the Dora Roberts Community Center Tickets are available at the chamber office, Third and Gregg.

#### WHAT'S UP...

☐ Big Spring Band Boosters, 6 p.m., high school band hall. All band parents are invited to attend.

#### WEDNESDAY

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

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

→ Big Spring Downtown Lions Club. noon, Howard College Cactus Room, call Terry Hansen 264-5175.

☐ Line dancing, 1 p.m. Senfor Citizens Center. Industrial Park, call 398-5522 or 267-1628.

 □ Eagles Lodge Ladies Auxiliary, 7 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 W. Third.

Coahoma Athletic Booster Club. 8 p.m.. Elementary Cafeteria Discussion will include the souvenir booklets for Homecoming

#### **THURSDAY**

☐ Gideons International, Big Spring Camp No. U4206O, 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.

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

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Beautification Committee makes plans for clean up day

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Big Spring Beautification Committee Monday discuss the upcoming cleanup day Saturday Sept. 16, and CROOKER adopted a slo-

'We encourage people to

get involved with clean up chairman Jovce Crooker. in Big Spring because it will help with tourism and is the first impression with visitors," said committee member Andi Andrews-York. "It also will help get the pride running strong in Big

Sponsored by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, volunteers will be cleaning up Business 20 (Old Highway 80) throughout west Big Spring and the downtown area, ending at the eastern intersection with Interstate 20, said co-

Volunteers will meet on the courthouse lawn at 8 a.m. and will be placed into groups.

Some members of the committee will attempt to get in touch with owners of the property to inform them of the event and request their involvement

Crooker said some of the property needed to be cleaned is abandoned.

"Businesses and owners who participate and clean up their own property will receive a certificate of

appreciation by the commit-clean up area. tee," she said. "Both the Tuesday and Friday Rotary clubs will participate in the event.

Those participating should bring their own

"It is important for every one to try and bring your own tools and make sure that your tools are marked," said Andrews-York. "We would like to be as self-sufficient as we can be."

According to Andrews-York, the committee eventually plans to expand the

The committee also adopted a theme during Monday's meeting: Better! Beautiful! Big Spring!

Also discussed was how to improve the landscaping of all the school campuses v hile involving the students in the projects.

"If we try to get businesses to come in, they will look at the schools first," said

According to Terri Johansen, Marcy School

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HERALD photo/Gina Garza

Rosendo Flores of the Convention Decorating Service hangs curtains decorating the main barn in preparation of the Howard County Fair which begins Friday and ends Monday.

## Waco man placed in Howard County Jail after leaving scene of collision on Monday

**By LYNDEL MOODY** flatbed truck east bound on car problems.

Staff Writer

A 30-year-old Waco man was arrested Monday after noon on a county warrant for a Class B misdemeanor

failure to leave informa tion in an accident and taken to the Howard County

Reginald Richardson was driving a freight liner semi-

Interstate 20 when he allegedly rear-ended a 1995 Ford Taurus near the 170 mile marker Monday morn-

according

Department of Public Safety

trooper Jason Hester. According to Hester, the Taurus was being driven by

Big Spring resident Roy Keefer in the slower lane because of worries about

The impact caused the rear of the Taurus to be crushed halfway through the trunk, but no injuries were reported by Keefer or his passenger Sue Arner. another Big Spring resident. Hester said.

Hester attributed the lack of injuries to the fact that

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## Rate hike

## City council to discuss possible litigation in Energas rate case tonight

By BILL McCLELLAN

News Editor

Big Spring City Council members are to go into executive session tonight to discuss possi-

ble litigation with Energas Big Spring was one of eight West Texas communitie which either denied

took

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action on an Energas request for a rate increase. The others are Brownfield, Hale Center, Levelland, Shallowater, Wolfforth, Lamesa and Lubbock. Some 58 cities approved the rate increase, which amounts to \$3 lion, or 2.7 percent "This dates back to when

cities voted on whether to approve the settlement or not. And those that chose not to, as our city council did, basically now go into possible litigation," said City Manager Gary Fugua. "The council is going to meet with attorneys tonight to discuss the situation.

The case actually dates back more than a year, when Energas first sought an \$11 million rate increase. That increase was opposed by a coalition of cities, including Big Spring. The coalition formed a steering committee, which hired a consultant to study the issue.

The consultant decided that not only should Energas be refused an \$11 million increase but determined the company should decrease rates by \$7 million. The case then went before Texas Railroad Commission, which asked the parties involved to work out an agreement. That agreement was to

allow Energas a rate increase of \$3,010,000 or an average hike to customers of 2.7 percent. That amounts to between \$1.06 and \$1.10 per month, per customer.

In denying the increase, local city council members complained that Energas was using underhanded tactics in trying to push the rate increase through. They not only objected to the hike

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begins.

## Howard College hearing on tax rate draws no interest

By GINA GARZA

Staff Writer

No 0110 showed up Monday as Howard College trustees met for a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues.



since Howard County residents aren't expected to see an increase in college taxes this year.

According to Dr. Cheri Sparks, college president, the budget for the Howard College District is based on the same tax rate as last year and taxpayers should expect to pay the same "Our tax rate last year

was .25854 cents per \$100

valuation and that is what is being proposed to the board for them to vote on,' she said. "We did, however, have a increase in our tax base, which causes an increase in our tax revenues.

According to Sparks, individuals may see a tax increase only if there has been an increase in their property value.

The college has budgeted \$19,489,579 for the academic

year in restricted and unrestricted funds.

The restricted budget, monies given to the college in forms of scholarships, grants, Title V and Pell grants only to be used for their particular purpose, is

\$4,168,091. "Howard College has budgeted for \$14,872,082 in unrestricted funds for the academic year and we expect \$14,556,424 in revenue, Sparks explained. "We are working on a budget deficit of about \$315,685, which is a direct result of an insurance shortfall which will hopefully be corrected when the new legislation session

The SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf (SWCID) had a balanced budget of \$4,422,877.

"What that means is there is no deficit," said Sparks.

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## College registration to begin Wednesday

By GINA GARZA

Staff Writer

Howard College will begin its fall registration for students on Wednesday at 8 a.m. in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum's East Room.

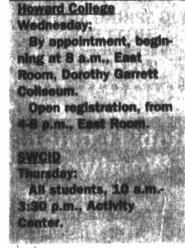
"We will begin registering students at 8 a.m. and plan to go late into the evening," said Dr. Cheri Sparks, college president.

According to Linda Conway, vice-president for instruction, it is important for all new and returning students to call to make an appointment.

We need for all students to call or come by the college to get an appointment time for registration," said Conway. "If they don't, they have to register during open registration and besides, it saves the hassle of standing in long lines.

Registration appointments have been successful in the

## REGISTRATION



"Appointments have really worked out well in the past and really keep things going smoothly," Sparks. "It really is the best thing to do."

Those who do not make

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HERALD photo/Bill McClellar

Energas area manager John Pudliner presents funds the firm's employees collected recently to Herald employee Lyndel Moody. The funds will be used to help pay funeral expenses for the baby girl found recently in an abandoned farmhouse outside Big Spring. A funeral date has not been set.

## **OBITUARIES**

#### Christopher **Conn Reynolds**

Christopher Reynolds, 30, Madisonville, formerly of Big Spring, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2000, at the Madisonville City Cemetery with the Rev. Dick White, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Madisonville, officiating.

Mr. Reynolds died on Sunday, Aug. 20, at his resi-

He was born on July 31, 1970, in Conroe and attended kindergarten through eighth grade in Big Spring, where both of his parents were teachers. He attended Navarro College Corsicana on a music scholarship, Clarendon College in Clarendon and Texas State Technical College in Waco. He was employed in production for Sanderson Farms in Bryan at the time of his death.

Survivors include: his parents, David and Nancy Reynolds of Madisonville.

Arrangements are under direction Madisonville Funeral Home in Madisonville

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appointments can register during open registration which is from 4 to 8 p.m.

College administrators are expecting to see a large crowd of students enroll this fall.

"If the dorms are any indication of the student amount we are to expect for the fall semester, we should have a good group," said Sparks. "The dorms are already full and there were 250-plus at the new student orientation which began Sunday and goes through

Sparks added that they are leady for a new semester going to call for helper and are encouraged about "He never called an experiment on going." Hester said.

In exchange for the no enrollment numbers will show.

SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf will register students on Thursday from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Activity Center

"Most of the students planning to attend SWCID have already done their paperwork," she said. "But they still need to call and set up an appointment time to

register. To reach Howard College, call 264-5000 and to reach SWCID call 264-3700.

Howard College and SWCID classes begin Monday.

#### TAX RATE

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"SWCID had a total of \$3,009,683 in unrestricted funds and a total of \$1,413,194 in restricted funds budgeted."

Sparks added that most of the restricted funds were used for construction.

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"The monies used for construction are totally funded by the state and no tax dollars actually go to SWCID," she said.

The board will meet Monday to vote on the proposed tax rate.

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itself, but the fact that the agreement allows cities to "lock in" at the 2.7 percent rate for three years if they accepted it. If cities didn't sign the agreement, they would pay whatever amount the Railroad Commission decides, plus additional legal fees. If that amount is less than 2.7 percent, all

cities will get the lower rate. Bids dominate tonight's agenda, as the council will consider annual purchases of more than 25 items ranging from copper tubing to trash bags.

The council will also consider filling Charles Beil's expired term on the Moore Development for Big Spring board. Among the candidates are Terry Hansen, executive vice president of Howard College, and businessman and former mayor

Tim Blackshear. Approval of the Howard County 911 Communication District's budget, an update on demolition of the Apache Bend apartments and a request concerning a place for skate board and roller blade enthusiasts are also on the agenda.

#### **ARREST**

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both were wearing their seatbelts at the time of the accident, which helped keep them from being thrown against the front glass upon impact.

Hester said Richardson stopped and asked Keefer and Arner if they were hurt and then stated he was

Arner called for help on her cell phone, and Hester began to attempt to locate Richardson's vehicle by contacting both the Howard Sheriff's County Department and the Mitchell County Sheriff's

Department. Richardson was found in Mitchell County close to an hour and a half after the accident and brought back to Howard County by Hester, a warrant having

been issued for his arrest. Richardson's truck had slight damage on the front bumper and showed some paint from the Taurus, Hester said. Hester said Richardson had told him he was going 70 miles an hour at the time of the accident.

## COMMITTEE

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and the Master Gardeners Club are working together to improve the landscaping

at Marcy "I think it is important to get the children involved," said Brenda Thomas. "They are the ones who will be rolling down the window and throwing trash out. We should try to get the children involved young."

The committee's next meeting will be on Tuesday, Sept. 5, and is open to the public.

Anyone interested in volunteer for the Sept. 16 clean

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"There is much to be proud of with what we have," said co-chairman Mel Prather. "We have the parks and lake which are beautiful places. We already have a lot of things to be proud of."

## Trial began today for felony DWI

A trial began in 118th District Court at 9 a.m. today on a felony driving while intoxicated charge against 33-year-old Luciana Arellano.

Arellano, a resident of Mexico, is being defended by Michael Bagley of Eagle Pass. Hardy Wilkerson is the prosecuting attorney in the case.

Arellano was indicted on April 5 for his third driving while intoxicated offense. which occurred on May 9,

The trial is expected to go to the jury later today.

#### Man reaches deal on charge his gun used in school shooting

FLINT, Mich. (AP) - A man reached a deal with prosecutors, avoiding trial on accusations he carelessly stored a handgun that a 6-year-old boy allegedly used to kill a classmate at school.

Jamelle James, 19, agreed to plead no contest to an involuntary manslaughter charge in the death of 6year-old Kayla Rolland, Cindy Gilliam of the Genesee County clerk's office said. His trial had been set to start Tuesday.

James previously had pleaded innocent to the charge. He would have

In exchange for the no contest plea, prosecutors agreed to ask the court to impose a sentence of no more than two years, Gilliam said. A no contest plea isn't an admission of guilt but is treated as such for sentencing purposes.

James remained in jail pending sentencing. No date has been set.

Calls to Assistant Prosecutor Daniel Stamos and defense attorney Robert J. Polasek were not imme-

diately returned. Stamos had maintained James was negligent when he left the semiautomatic pistol in an unlocked shoe box in his bedroom. But the defense had said his client didn't own the gun and can't be held responsible

for the shooting. The boy, now 7, is accused of shooting Kayla to death in their first-grade classroom at Buell Elementary School near

Flint on Feb. 29. The boy had been living with James in what prosecutors described as a "flophouse," where occupants traded guns and drugs. The mother left the boy and his 8-year-old brother at the house a week before the shooting after she was evicted from her home.

At James' preliminary hearing, the boy testified that he found the weapon in James' room.

Also living at the house was the boy's uncle, Sir Marcus Winfrey, 22, who pleaded guilty last month to

## BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

possessing the stolen hand-

James has already pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court to possessing a stolen .12-gauge shotgun found in the home after the shooting.

The boy is not charged in the case. Under Michigan law, children under age 7 cannot form criminal intent. He told investigators he had only been trying to scare the girl and that the shooting was an accident.

Earlier this month, a judge ruled that the boy and his brother and sister should be placed in separate foster homes because of family and behavioral problems. The ruling came after a state social worker said they had become a burden for the maternal aunt who was caring for them.

#### BRIEFS

CALLING ALL BSHS 1980 graduates: A 20-year reunion is being planned For information, call Melinda Marquez, 267-1173; Angela Conner at 264-2650; or Kate Nelson at 238-5655; e-mail bshs80@yahoo.com.

KEEP TEXAS BEAUTI-FUL WORKSHOP is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 9, at the Howard County Library Community Room from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30.

Cecile Carson, outreach director of Keep Texas Beautiful, Denton, and Sharla Hotchkiss of Keep Midland Beautiful and past president of Keep Texas Beautiful will speak.

Everyone is invited. Reservations are requested to determine seating, refreshments and materials need. Call Pat Simmons at 263-4607.

SPRING TABERNACLE CHURCH, 1209 Wright, has free food for the area needy from 10 a.m. to noon every Thursday.

THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM, which delivers to the elderly and homebound, needs volunteers to

deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

#### SUPPORT GROUPS

**TUESDAY** 

·Support for MS and Related Diseases, 6:30 p.m. second Tuesday of each month, Canterbury South. Public invited. Call Leslie, 267-1069.

•Greater West Texas Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association, 2 p.m., Howard County Library Community Room, first Tuesday of each month. For more information call or Nancy Jones at RSVP at 264-2397.

•Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615

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## MARKETS

December cotton 66.30, down 31 points; September crude 31.90, down 57 points; cash hogs steady at 42 even; slaughter steers \$1 higher at 66 even; October lean hog futures 53.70, up 15 points: October live cattle futures 63.30 up 15 points. courtesy: Delta Corporation. Other markets not available by press time

#### POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities from 8 a.m. Monday through 8 a.m. today

• SHAWN BENNETT, 23, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct/language. · ROGER MIZE, 36, was

arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct/language. • FRANKIE JUAREZ, 31,

was arrested on a county warrant. CLASS C ASSAULT was reported in the 400

block of E. 4th. ASSAULT was reported in the 2300 block of Martin

Luther King. ASSAULT BY THREAT was reported at the intersection of Highway 87 and

 SEXUAL ASSAULT was reported in the 3000 block of W. 16th.

 THEFT was reported in the 900 block of Willia, in the 800 block of State and in 2:51, p.m. 2000 block the 2300 block of Wasson. Virginia, edical call

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activities for the weekend ending at 8 a.m. Monday ASSAULT CLASS C, 2

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WHILE DRIVING LICENSE SUSPENDED, 2 POSSESSION OF MARI-JUANA. 1 CLASS C THEFT, 1 CONVENIENCE STORE THEFT, 8 THEFT OVER \$50 UNDER **\$500**, 1 THEFT OVER \$500

UNDER \$5,000. 1 THEFT OF SERVICES, 1 VIOLATION OF PROTEC-TIVE ORDER, 1

#### SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activities between noon Saturday through 8 a.m. today:

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## REGINALD DARNEL

RICHARDSON, 30, of Waco, was arrested on a charge of failure to stop and give information. (DPS) MICHAEL DON GRES-

SETT, 42, of Forsan, was arrested on a judgment sentence for driving while intoxicated, third or more. (HCSO)

• PETE SALAZAR JR.. 36, of 1002 North Main, was arrested on a judgment sentence, driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended. (HCSO)

 JUDITH ORENE PUGA, 55, of 611 Nolan, was arrested on a charge of display of fictitious inspection and registration. (BSPD)

## FIRE/EMS

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

3600 block 5:30 a.m. Bethel, trauma call, patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center. 5:48 a.m. - 1300 block

Grafa, medical call, patient transported to SMMC. 7:59 a.m. - 500 block W 17th, medical call, patient

transported to SMMC.

8:22 a.m. — 1700 block Lancaster, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC.

8:22 a.m. - 500 block Circle, trauma call, patient transported to SMMC 10:21 a.m. — 900 block

Goliad, medical call, patient transported to SMMC. patient transported to

SMMC. 5:05 p.m. - 2300 block Wasson, medical call, patient transported to SMMC.

9:50 p.m. - 400 block E. Main (Forsan), medical call, patient transported to

## RECORDS

Monday's high 98 Monday's low 74 Average high 95 Average low 69 Record high 103 in 1924 Record low 60 in 1920 Precip. Monday 0.00 Month to date 0.12 Month's normal 1.17 Year to date 11.60 Normal for the year 12.50 Sunrise Wed. 7:16 a.m. Sunset Wed. 8:21 p.m.





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## Hispa

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## Small crowd shows up for protest of Boy Scouts' gay policy

who marched in front of Boy Scouts of America offices across the country said they were looking for a conversation and not a confrontation over the organization's policy barring homosexuals from its ranks.

"We're disappointed," Dave Rice, a former Scout leader in Petaluma, Calif. "We don't like confrontation. We like to sit down. shake hands and discuss a solution that's mutually beneficial.'

Rice and about a dozen other protesters delivered a 55,000-signature petition to Boy Scout headquarters in Irving on Monday. A secretary who refused to give her name said she would forward the petition to the

IRVING (AP) — Protesters organization's president, who was out of town.

Rallies in 36 cities in 21 states were scheduled Monday in protest of the Boy Scout policy, but they did little to budge the group's stance.

Gregg Shields, spokesman for The National Council of the Boy Scouts of America, said homosexuality runs counter to their oath requiring Scouts to be "morally straight."

"We recognize the rights of all people to hold opinions different than ours," he

"We stress that we are a private organization and that no one is forced to be a Boy Scout. People who share our values and beliefs are welcome to join.'

In June, the Supreme months ago after becoming Court agreed, ruling 5-4 that the group was allowed to bar homosexuauls.

Steven Cozza, 15, of Petaluma, Calif., said he founded the group Scouting For All several years ago after his father was removed as a Scout leader for supporting gay rights. His nonprofit organization helped organize and coordinationwide the

"Scoutmasters are people to look up to. What's wrong with being influenced by a gay man? Someone's sexuality has nothing to do with his character or personalitv." he said.

Cozza, who said neither he nor his father is gay, left the Scouts about six

an Eagle Scout.

In San Leandro, Calif., about 20 people walked the sidewalk Monday morning outside the Boy Scouts' San Francisco Bay area council office, chanting and toting signs saying "Blatant Bigots" and "True leaders teach love and tolerance. not hate and bigotry.

"I'm not here to be disrespectful to the Boy Scouts of America. But we can't be silent," said Jan Tyler, a Bay Area Cub Scout leader. "Gays and lesbians are in every niche in our society, and to exclude them based on sexual orientation is ludicrous.

Not all support Cozza's efforts

Nick Henderson, a Boy

he thinks homosexuality is a sin and supports the scouting policy.

'We don't want them in a position of leadership," he said. "We're not against gay people; just their lifestyle. Would they be a bad influence on a scout troop? Absolutely.

The Supreme Court's June decision came 10 years after the Boy Scouts ousted James Dale, an Eagle Scout who was determined to become a troop leader.

In 1988, shortly after turn ing 18, he agreed to become an assistant scoutmaster for Troop 73.

Two years later, New Jersey's Monmouth Council revoked his registration as an adult leader after he was

Scout leader in Dallas, said identified in a newspaper article as co-president of a campus lesbian and gay student group at Rutgers University in

Brunswick, N.J. Dale sued the Scouts in 1992, just after New Jersey's anti-discrimination law was expanded to protect the civil

rights of gay people. Corey Brunson, protesting in Dallas, said she wants her 4-year-old son to be a Boy Scout in a few years but only if the anti-gay policy changes.

"This judgmental attitude and discrimination is going on, and I don't think this is right," she said. "I reject the notion that this is a private organization. It couldn't survive without public sup-

## Hispanic leaders angry at language decree

district judge's order in a child custody case forbidding the parents of a 6-yearold girl from speaking Spanish to her when she is in their homes sets a dangerous precedent and violates a person's constitutional right to freedom of expression, local Hispanic and state officials said Monday.

At issue is an April 1999 order from State District Judge Lisa Millard that barred Natalia Gonzalez from speaking Spanish to her daughter Carolina in their home. Millard upheld her order three months ago and amended it to say no one in the little girl's family, including her father Ramon Gonzalez, could speak Spanish to her when she was in their homes.

The Gonzalez couple has been involved in a contentious custody battle the last few years. They have joint custody of their daugh-

this court can order this family not to speak Spanish," Joel Salazar, president of the Mexican American Bar Association of Houston, said Monday at a news conference. "Other judges can say they can do this too. This is a First Amendment issue.'

Michael Solar, one of Natalia Gonzalez's attorneys, said the judge's order showed bias and forced his client to agree to it or have her daughter taken away and put in foster care.

Her lawyers last week at a hearing asked Millard to take herself off the case. Visiting District Judge Fred Edwards is expected to make a decision on the request this week.

But Tom Conner, a lawyer for Ramon Gonzalez, said his client asked the judge to impose the order so the child's performance in school could improve.

Ramon Gonzalez said the important thing for him is

proficiency did improve after the order was issued.

"My daughter is now bilingual," said Gonzalez, 58, who is from Mexico City. "In part she is bilingual because of the order. It was a help. It wasn't a racist order. It wasn't a discriminatory order. My ex-wife was happy with the order."

Conner said he doesn't agree with Natalia Gonzalez's claims of First Amendment rights violations and bias.

"Why did Mrs. Gonzalez wait a year and a half to object to it?" Conner said. "If either one of these parents had objected, the judge would not have agreed to it last year. The girl was not being promoted from pre-K to kindergarten because of her lack of English. Her school teacher and father came to the judge and said English should only be spoken to her at home so she could be promoted."

State Rep. Rick Noriega,

"It's hard to justify how that his daughter's English D-Houston, said it did not matter that Carolina's father insisted only English be spoken at home

"The judge is not an educational expert," Noriega said. "The judge has imposed a bias based on language. We hope Judge Millard recuses herself. At least an apology is in order.

Millard was in San Antonio for a seminar and could not be reached for comment Monday.

While Millard rescinded her order shortly after amending it in May when it was demonstrated Carolina's English had improved, Solar said he continues to fight to have the judge removed from the case because she imposed the order and left it in place for more than a year.

Rescinding the order is not enough, Salazar said.

"We're making a statement that orders like these should never be made," he E-mail policy violations prompt employee firings A union official criti-

HOUSTON (AP) - Dow Chemical Co. plans to fire about 40 employees in Freeport for allegedly violating the company's email policy through circulation of violent or sexually explicit material, according to the Houston Chronicle.

Dow, the largest employer in the Brazosport area, says the employees are being fired after a review of 6,000 e-mail accounts that turned up material that violated company policies on Internet e-mail and sexual harassment.

Other employees face suspensions or reprimands, Dow spokeswoman Kanina Blanchard told the newspaper

Dow officials began reviewing employees' email after one worker complained. A similar review this year at Dow's corpoheadquarters in Midland, Mich., led to 50 firings.

cized the firings as a "witch hunt."

"One person harassed, so they downloaded everybody's e-mail," said Charlie Singletary, business manager for International Union of Operating Engineers Local 564. "I think Dow wanted to make a statement. I think they wanted to make this worse than it is. I think they wanted to terminate people.

Singletary said most of the material was off-color jokes, nude pictures and photos of car wrecks. Some who received and sent the material were unaware of Dow's policies, while others didn't take the policies seriously, he said.

"It's a small number of employees that saved, collected and shared this information," Blanchard said. "Our primary focus is to ensure a harassmentfree workplace."

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## OUR VIEWS

## Inmate work program good for all parties

**Though** frequently taken for granted by most of us, the impact that the Wilderness Camp inmates make in Howard County is a remarkable one. Public officials estimate that during the 72 months the program has been in operation here, work conducted by the inmates amounts to roughly \$3.5 million. That's about \$50,000 each

Though some of their work is obvious to almost everyone — the improvements at Moss Creek Lake are a good example — they generally work behind the scenes, picking up trash and other debris. They've been involved in numerous projects, including cleanup at the Permian Building demolition site, Howard County Fairgrounds, Comanche Trail Park, Mt. Olive Cemetery and SouthWest Collegiate Institute for the Deaf.

They also worked on the new law enforcement training room above the city council chambers. participated in renovation of Howard College Day Care Center, and construction of pavilions at Comanche Trail Park and the Heart of

Soon, they'll be doing final cleanup at the Apache Bend apartments demolition site and cleaning the right of way around Big Spring

The Wilderness Camp program is a positive one which allows communities and counties like ours to get more done at a lower cost. Simply put, there is no way the citizens of this area could have afforded to pay \$3.5 million in cleanup and renovation costs over the past six years. In turn, the program allows convicted felons to contribute something to society as well some time away from total confinement.

We applaud our city leaders for continuing this program, the state of Texas for having it and the inmates themselves for a job well done.

Your Views

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreci ation to the supervisors and employees of the city of Big Spring for undertaking the task of the demolition and removal of the Apache Bend Apartments. This has been an eyesore for years and now there is hope for the west end of our community

These apartments were build in the 1943 at the request of the base commander for temporary housing for base personnel and were named Ellis Homes. I think they served their purpose, but sadly were not maintained. This is one of the problems we have in our community

people not maintaining

their property. I would also like to thank the people that brought food and drinks to

these workers the first Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 5-6. This is what I call being a good neighbor and a concerned citizen. I do not know the names of everyone that participated in blessing these workers; you know who you are. I ask the Lord to bless you because of your generosity.

Again, my hat's off to all the city employees that have been involved in this operation. You served our community well! I salute

PAT SIMMONS **BIG SPRING** 

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## Substance will beat fluff every time

robably not many Americans know who Matsushita Konosuke was, despite the fact that our homes and offices very likely contain a great many products

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names of Matsushita Electric, whose 250,000 employees make color TVs, VCRs, video camcorders, satellite dishes, compactdisc players, stereo equipment, tape recorders, car radios, cordless phones, cellular phones, fax machines, copiers, industrial robots, integrated circuits, refriger ators, air conditioners, microwave ovens, rice cookers, vacuum cleaners, irons, fans, washing machines, toasters, batteries, lamps, and personal

computers and laser print-

Not a bad product line for a man who at the age of 10 was forced by poverty to apprentice himself in a bicycle shop. For several years he worked 80 hours a week. He got five days off per year. His meals were just rice and vegetables. The sight of an electric

trolley convinced him that the future didn't lie with bicycles. He joined Osaka Electric Light Co. as a wiring technician when he was 16. At age 20, he married a woman in an arranged marriage that would last 74 years. During the early years of Matsushita Electric, his wife kept the books and often cooked meals for the workers. He founded the company in 1917 when he quit his job to manufacture adapter plugs at home.

When the Great Depression hit Japan, rather than lay off workers, Matsushita told them they could work half a day for full pay if they would spend the rest of the day selling the company's products. Within just a year, sales were back to normal.

Matsushita Electric became the first in Japan

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to have a spiritual philosophy, a company song, financially independent divisions, employee groups devoted to quality control, a five-day workweek, equal pay for women and wages as high as those in the

West Honda Soichiro is another Japanese man who

began his life in poverty and built a great industrial empire. The son of a blacksmith, he dropped out of school to become a garage mechanic.

These and other famous Japanese are the subject of a new book, "Giants of Japan," by Mark Weston. The book, published by Kodansha America, contains short biographies of famous Japanese, both contemporary and historical, in the fields of business, politics, art and athletics. It is both useful and enter-

One of the many innovative things Honda did, for example, was to encourage employee creativity by allowing employees to patent any inventions they came up with in their own names so that they could receive the royalties. Honda said, in explaining this policy, that he was

always most interested in the product, not the money He himself held more than 400 patents

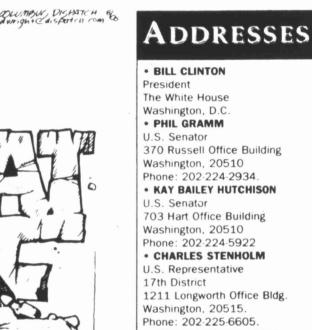
That explains the principal difference between Japan and postwar American industry. The lawyers, accountants and financiers who have gained control of most of America's industries are interested first and last in the money — their money

and product, employees and customers are only incidentals. As one of the more honest of these types once told a group of employees, "You are just a necessary evil as far as I'm concerned.

You can see this attitude reflected in the enormous disparity between executive compensation and worker compensation, a huge disparity that does not exist in Japan and most other coun-

In the long run, I do not think that a nation of lawyers, stock salesmen, bankers, discount merchants, accountants and entertainers can stand against nations of engineers, industrialists and inventors.

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# blues didn't need a father Memphis; once there he

t was a blistering afternoon with waves of heat rising from the road, and the classic automobiles on show in the park - with open hoods appeared

to be panting. Classic car show Music venues everywhere Big doings

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**JOHNSON** might be a crowd at the W.C. Handy

Birthplace and Museum. This, after all, was the tail end of a weeklong music festival named in Handy's honor; it seemed almost obligatory to drop by his house

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But most Handy pilgrims

had come and gone. One of the museum's two docents was sweeping the front walk, and another was giving elaborate directions to a visitor who next wanted to find the Catholic church

After a short orientation, I got to wander around alone while a tape played Handy singing his famous "Saint Louis Blues" in a gravelly voice. I prefer selfguided tours through shrines like this one. Once you get past the souvenir pencils and refrigerator magnets, you can glean a

lot about a man while poking through his belongings. I saw Handy's upright

piano, his trumpet, his wheelchair, old photographs of a second marriage late in life, and congratulatory letters that Presidents Eisenhower and Truman had written to

I also saw where the "Father of the Blues" was born. The hand-hewn log cabin (built by Handy's father and grandfather, both AME preachers) was moved from its original site several blocks away. (You can't get too fussy about the authenticity of birthplace museums. The little Carl Perkins museum in Tennessee says Carl grew up in a house "much like this one." So carting a cabin a few blocks is a minor technicality.)

The preacher men built the two-room cabin and expected the baby born there in 1873 eventually to follow them into the pulpit. But Handy had other ideas. Against the advice of relatives - and a teacher who said the musician's life would lead him straight to the gutter — he left home at 18 to pursue his music.

At first he did see hard times, working on the riverfront in St. Louis, sleeping on the levee's cobblestones. Such an arrangement certainly could put you in close proximity to the gutter — and make you hate to see the evening sun go down.

Handy made it to

made music. "You've got to appreciate the things that come ... from the heart of the man farthest down," he

That's what it's about. That's why the music was popular in Handy's day, why it endures. The blues works its way up, from the bottom, from the gut. It's that wail and want in us all, blues brothers under the skin.

Later I should have gone on down to the Tennessee River, where more good music would float late into the steamy, still, Alabama night. Five years ago, you'd have had to use a gun to keep me away. But heat and the possibil-

ity of a crowd drove me home, where I sat directly in front of a window unit to cool off and think about Handy, the inspiration for such a rollicking week. What would that son of the South, grandson of a slave, think if he could see the multiracial, prosperous, music-loving crowd gathered in his name? The music world proba-

bly wouldn't have been appreciably different if Handy had become a preacher. The blues really didn't need a father. It sprang full-grown and weary from the cotton fields and hearts of "the man farthest down." But W.C. Handy would

have been different. Denied his song, he might have kept the blues forever.

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## Pipeline accident could spur safety legislation in Congress

**WASHINGTON** (AP) - A New Mexico pipeline explosion that killed 11 campers may spur Congress to act on long-stalled legislation to intensify inspections of underground pipelines.

"It's galling to think that more tragedies could happen while these bills sit in committee," said Rep. Jay Inslee, D-Wash., a sponsor of one of the bills.

A man died Monday in a Lubbock, Texas, hospital, the 11th victim of a Saturday explosion in a buried natural gas pipeline near Carlsbad, N.M. Five children were among those killed after the pre-dawn explosion swept flames down the Pecos River's banks and through tents where two families had

been camping.

The daughter-in-law of the man who died Monday remained in critical condition in Lubbock. woman's parents, husband and two children were among the dead.

Forty-two people were killed by natural gas pipeline accidents between 1986 and June 30, according to statistics of the Office of Pipeline Safety, an agency the National Transportation Safety

The last major pipeline safety bill passed in 1996.

"This is the window of opportunity," Inslee said. 'We need to pass out a comprehensive pipeline safety bill now, not wait until next

A gasoline pipeline broke talk since in June 1999 in Bellingham, Wash., and the ensuing fire killed three people. That accident led to an influx of proposed regulations and reports, but none has passed.

Inslee said he already has been promised a committee hearing on the issue and expects a pipeline safety bill to make it out of Congress this session

"My concern is the type of bill that makes it out of Congress," he said. "If it doesn't have any meat on its bones, then it's not worth

The father of a 10-year-old boy killed in the Bellingham explosion said he is frustrat-

promising introduced by Inslee, Rep. changes last year to prevent future accidents

"I wish I could've done a better job of convincing the politicians," said Frank King of Bellingham. "Maybe this accident wouldn't have happened.

He blames the pipeline industry, the federal Office of Pipeline Safety and law-

'We need to have zero tolerance for spills," King said. "If we eliminate spills, we eliminate accidents. Right now, we're reacting to a hor rible accident. We need the industry to be proactive, start fixing things before they break.

Various versions of House ed with some politicians and Senate pipeline safety who have done little but legislation, including bills

Bob Franks, R-N.J., and Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., would order more pipeline operator training and periodic pipeline testing—the Transportation Department does not mandate rechecks once pipes are in the

Legislation also would increase penalties for unsafe pipelines, including cash fines and possible shutdown of a substandard pipe, and public disclosure of all

ground.

pipe locations. "No longer are these pipes buried underground only in remote locations, miles away from the nearest home or business," Franks said in a speech last month. "In my home state, thousands of people live or work in said.

pipelines.

The safety office has tried for six years to create a national pipeline map with-

out completing the job. "There are many things wrong with our pipeline system and many things that need to be fixed," Inslee

An inspector general's report in March criticized the Office of Pipeline Safety for failure to complete improved inspections required by a 1992 law of unusually sensitive and highly populated areas of the 325,000 miles of natural gas pipelines.

OPS was supposed to have completed the first step by 1994 but has not, the report

## Analysts expects Federal Reserve to hold the line on interest rates

WASHINGTON (AP) With inflation under control and the economy growing at a healthy but less feverish pace than earlier this year, analysts expect the Federal Reserve to hold the line on interest rates Tuesday.

Since June 1999, the Fed has raised rates six times in an effort to slow economic growth enough to keep inflation under control without retarding the economy so much that it brings about a recession.

"The prospects of a Fed rate increase in August look as close to zero as you are ever going to get," said Tim O'Neill, chief economist at Harris Bank in Chicago.

Many private economists expected the central bank to repeat its June decision not to boost interest rates. Still, economists believed the Fed will issue a statement that continues to tell markets that it is still worried about inflation dangers down the

The Federal Open Market Committee, composed of Fed board members and regional bank presidents, was scheduled to meet behind closed doors Tuesday to discuss interest rate policy. An afternoon announcement was expect-

With the Fed's sixth rate increase in May, its target

for the federal funds rate, mists believe there are more the interest banks charge each other, was pushed to 6.5 percent, the highest level in nine years. In June 1999

before the central bank starting raising rates — the funds rate stood at 4.75 per-

Those increases boosted banks' prime lending rate, the benchmark for millions of consumer and business loans, to a nine-year high of 9.5 percent, up from 7.75 percent before the Fed's first rate increase 14 months

The Fed passed up the chance to raise rates a seventh time at its last meeting on June 27-28 and econo-

reasons for the central bank to remain on hold this time around as evidence of a slowdown grows.

Many analysts believe the economy, which grew at a surprisingly strong 5.2 percent annual rate in the April-June quarter, has slowed to a growth rate of around 3.5 percent to 4 percent in the current quarter.

In the first seven months of this year, the underlying inflation rate — excluding food and energy, which has

shown a big jump this year has been rising at an annual rate of just 2.6 percent, only slightly worse

increase in "core" inflation. A major factor in the tame inflation picture has been strong gains in productivity, increased output per hour of work, which allows pay increases without

product prices. "We are able to have our cake and eat it, too," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist for Wells Fargo in

accompanying increases in

"I think the Fed is likely to take a pass on raising

Minneapolis.

The most optimistic economists believe the Fed is close to declaring total victory in its 14-month camthan last year's 1.9 percent paign to engineer a soft said.

landing for the economy

"I think the Fed tightening cycle is over with," said Richard Yamarone, economist for Argus Research Corp in New York. "For the time being, the coast is clear of inflationary pres-

But some economists believe Fed meetings after the presidential election on Nov. 15 and Dec. 19 are likely to produce further interest rate boosts - at one of the two meetings, or per haps even both.

But with few signs that inflation is getting out of hand, the Fed has the luxury of waiting, economists

## Government calling in airlines, unions to discuss flight delays

monitoring airline perfor- airport executives. mance after a summer travel season marred by thousands of flight delays

After announcing formation of the task force, Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater said his department will serve as a clearinghouse to share information and praised the industry for a "positive ... cooperative spirit.'

term the secretary told a not have been foreseen.

**WASHINGTON** (AP) — A briefing. As he spoke he was federal task force will begin joined by airline, union and

> For example, Slater said, airlines have promised to more promptly inform the Federal Aviation Administration when they cancel flights, so air traffic controllers can more efficiently use the available air-

Some 670 million Americans will fly this year, up 20 million from a lines. The meeting "will result year ago, Slater said. He in improved service" in called it an increase that is both the long- and short- taxing the system and could

than 44,000 flight delays in erate, said Slater. July alone, and that was an improvement from June.

It's is hard to get cooperation in a competitive industry. Slater observed, but he called the meeting "a necessary first step in resolving some of the challenges' faced by the business. He said further sessions are planned with consumer advocates and smaller air-

At the session, participants from nine major airlines, several unions, and airports groups discussed

The FAA reported more ways they could better coop-

He said his newly formed a task force on airline service performance will monitor the carriers and report

back to him in 90 days. He also noted that the difficult and busy summer sea-

son is nearly at an end. That discontent for millions of could help matters by reducing the demand for service.

Increased numbers of people traveling, a spate of bad at least at weather and labor disone airline agreements have made this

Americans.

United Airlines, which has said it had to cancel many flights in a dispute with its pilots, was represented at the meeting, as were officials of the two summer a time of air travel largest pilots unions.

## Democrats warn school classes to be crowded into next century

WASHINGTON (AP) Thanks to new school construction, portable trailers won's be-needed to house excess pupils this fall at Dorothy Eisenberg Elementary School in Las

Principal Ken Ligon will have 730 children in Eisenberg's 35 regular classrooms this year — instead of 1.200 he would had to find room for without the new classrooms built elsewhere in the Clark County system.

"Adding new schools has really made a difference," said Ligon, who's spent four years in the nation's fastestgrowing school district. "It has alleviated the crowding. It has enhanced the education of the children. That's why we keep building them.

That's also what the administration Clinton wants the rest of the nation to do, as fall enrollments in America's schools are expected to reach 53 million, a fifth consecutive record.

Predicting overflow school enrollments into the next century. President Clinton and Democrats used

the annual projection of fall enrollment to blast congressional Republicans for resisting government proposals to help hire more teachers and build more schools

The education spending debate, now taking center stage in the presidential campaign, comes as renewal of major federal programs remains bogged down in Congress

'Our children deserve no Clinton said. "We need to build new schools modernize existing ones.

Renewing its fight for smaller class sizes and new school construction, the administration Monday that 53 million public and private pupils will enter kindergarten through 12th grade this fall, up from 52.8 million last year. The new figure is considered a record because Education Department had lowered its estimate of last year's enrollment to 52.8

million from 53.2 million. College enrollment for fall 2000 also set a record of 15.1

Enrollments for charter

public schools that get freedom from standard rules and regulations in exchange for better test scores and other increased student performance, also rose to a half-million stu-

The department report, based on state and national data, also predicted school growth through the next century. Officials said that by 2100, the nation's schools will have to find room for 94 million students — almost double the current number of school-age children, ages

These numbers will grow officials say, because of increasing immigration and a second baby boom, which will come two generations after the record number of births in the middle of the 20th century

California, Texas and New York expect to enroll the most children this year, but Nevada, Arizona and Florida have posted the highest rates of student growth over the last decade. Las Vegas alone has seen school enrollment double to 200,000 since 1990

# of Vote on Tax Rate

The Howard County Junior **College District** (Howard College) conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues by 10.003 percent on Monday, August 21, 2000

The Howard County Junior **College District** (Howard College) is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on Monday, August 28, 2000

at the Board Room in the **Dora Roberts Student Union Building** on the **Howard College Campus** 



Wednesday, August 23 and Thursday, August 24 at the Big

Spring High School, Front Foyer, 707 Eleventh Place, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on both days. For further information

contact Mr. Collinsworth at 264-3641, Exts. 185 or 172.

## IN BRIEF

#### Bryan in 27th after first day of tourney

Larry Bryan, the pro at Big Spring Country Club, is tied for 27th place after the first round of the North Texas Professional Golfers Association Club Professional Championship, which is being played at Tierra Verde Golf Club in Arlington.

Bryan shot a 75, which was three over par. Timothy Hobby of Baylor University Golf Course was in first with a 68.

#### Eshleman ranked 16th at Abilene

Local race car driver Bob Eshleman is ranked 16th in the pure stock division at Abilene Speedway. He has scored 144 points.

Another local driver. Rondel Brock, is 53rd in the modified division with 57 points.

#### Additional football signups scheduled

Some additional signups for the Crossroads Football League have been set up.

The signups, running through Friday, will be taking place at All-Star Sports during business hours.

#### Last two fall baseball signups scheduled

Two more signups for the Crossroads Fall Baseball League have been scheduled at the Big Spring Mall.

The first of these will be from 6-8 p.m. on Friday and the final session will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

The cost of registration is \$25.

#### Quarterback Club meets each Monday

Big Spring Quarterback Club meets at 7 p.m. each Monday at the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center

Anyone interested in supporting the Steers football program is invited to attend.

#### Jones considers Hayes for honor ring

(AP) Dallas Cowbovs owner Jerry Jones is reportedly considering adding troubled wide recover Bob Hayes to the team's hallowed Ring of Honor at Texas Stadium, which could provide the precedent for allowing Michael Irvin into the ring.

"Right now, I'm considering Bob for the Ring of Honor, and I believe he deserves to be in the Pro Football Hall of Fame, too," Jones told the Houston Chronicle in Tuesday's editions. "He's at the top of my list.

What could earn Hayes, who played from for the Cowboys from 1965-74, a spot would be the team records held by the threetime Pro Bowl wide receiver.

Hayes leads Cowboys in receptions by a rookie (46), receiving yards by a rookie (1,003), touchdowns as a rookie (12), career receiving touchdowns (71) and longest reception for a touchdown (95 yards).

He is tied with running back Tony Dorsett for most touchdowns by a rookie (13) and is third on the list of players with most seasons leading the team in touchdowns (4).

## ON THE AIR

#### BASEBALL

7 p.m. — Chicago Cubs at Houston Astros, FSN, Ch. 29.

8 p.m. - Atlanta Braves at Colorado Rockies, TBS, Ch. 11.

## Tennis team to start season at Abilene Cooper

By JOHN HASSELMEIER

Sports Editor

Tennis season will be getting under for way Big Spring High School today when the team travto

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Abilene Cooper for a match starting at 4 p.m.

"They have been strong," Big Spring tennis coach Sarah Corse said. "Cooper has won state several times. They're a formidable opponent. We enjoy going over there and playing them. They're one of the more elite teams around. It'll be good to see where we are.

This year, the team is under a new head coach in Corse, who was a longtime assistant prior to this year.

mixed feelings about last season.

"In the spring, I was pleased with the performance of our boys doubles," Corse said. "I was disappointed in the fall that we didn't make regionals, but we were a young team last year, so things are looking better for this year.

Much experience does return this season for both the boys and girls teams. On the boys side, senior Zach

ing regionals a year ago as part of a doubles team.

Two other boys who came close to reaching regionals, finishing third and fourth in district last season. Jay Shroff, now a sophomore, was third last year while junior Derek DeHoyos was fourth.

As for the girls, the No.1 girl is not a returnee from last year. That's because she's freshman Ame Blacketer.

er," Corse said. "I'm very pleased to have her on the team

DeHoyos is the No.1 boy in the line-up followed by junior Alex Edgemon, freshman Jake Smiley, Zach Smiley, Shroff and junior Michael Roffers. Junior Brian Wingert will pay the No.7 singles position and on the No.3 girls doubles team.

"Our boys team was so

See TENNIS, Page 7

## Cowboys hope time helps refresh legs

IRVING (AP) For a team built on speed, the Dallas Cowboys look like they're running in mud.

"Oh veah," said rookie cornerback Kareem Larrimore. "My legs are dead right now. They hurt a

Players' legs are heavy and sore from a month of practicing in triple-digit heat and playing four preseason games, one of which included a 13-hour flight to

The bad news is they have one more preseason game left Thursday night against St. Louis. The good news is coach Dave Campo will take it easy on them the rest of this week and next to make sure everyone is strong for the Sept. 3 opener against Philadelphia.

The next two weeks, we're going to be backing off the hitting, making sure we're not going too long in practice but getting enough done that we're comfortable to be ready to go against Philadelphia," Campo said

The purpose of training camp is to teach players the majority playbook, then be able to use pieces of it each Thursday night against St. week. Trial and error is the Louis, either. only way to know which plays do and don't work, and all that testing leads to

Campo sees it as a necessary evil.

"We're in a normal situation," he said. "Once you break training camp, you're going from a teaching mode of getting everything in, to preparing for your first ball game. Part of it is getting the legs back."

Larrimore, one of the team's faster players, said the hard work will pay off

"It's getting our legs stronger," he said. "Once we get to rest, everyone will be ready.

The Cowboys will need fresh legs to get the most out of their offense - and defense. The new offense is based on timing routes while the defense has many undersized guys expected to use a quick burst to compensate for less bulk.

"We need to get our legs back because our game is going to be won with speed." Campo said. "We've got to be at a maximum there.

Running back Emmitt Smith has yet to play in a game because of foot and leg injuries. He won't play in the preseason finale

Campo said he's not worried about making his debut in the new offense, which the team hopes works.

## Sosa hits 43rd home run, but Astros beat Cubs, 5-4

Garden City running back Juaquin Mier is shown carrying the ball during a recent prac-

tice. The Bearkats will scrimmage Bronte on the road Friday at 6 p.m.

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sammy Sosa hit his major league-leading 43rd home run, a 457-foot shot off the lights in left field, for the Cubs in their season-high sixth straight loss, a 5-4 decision to the Houston

Houston starter Scott Elarton (14-4) won his fifth consecutive decision. He left after eight innings with a 5-3 lead and reliever Octavio Dotel walked the bases loaded with no outs in the ninth.

Joe Slusarski took over and earned a save by getting Ricky Gutierrez to ground into a double r'ay and retiring Mark Grace on a fly

#### Giants 6, Marlins 0

Russ Davis got the scouting report on Armando Almanzar before he ever saw the Florida reliever. Batting Marvin for

Benard, Davis hit Almanzar's first pitch for his first career grand slam, helping NL West-leading

San Francisco beat the games Marlins 6-0 Monday night.

In other NL games, San Francisco shut out Florida Atlanta defeated Colorado 7-4. Milwaukee beat Arizona 16-8, Montreal downed Los Angeles 4-1. San Diego slipped past New York 5-4 in 10 innings, St. Louis beat Pittsburgh 7-4, Houston topped Chicago 5-4 and Cincinnati defeated

Philadelphia 7-4. In the American League. it was Boston 7, Anaheim 6; Tampa Bay 11, Chicago 4; Detroit 3, Oakland 1; and Baltimore 2, Kansas City 1.

Davis had only one hit in his previous 21 pinch-hit tries. His shot in the eighth inning sent the Giants to their seventh win in eight games.

Mark Gardner pitched 6 2 3 scoreless innings for the Giants. Felix Rodriguez and Robb Nen finished San Francisco's 10th shutout, tying Boston for most in the majors.

Ellis Burks singled home a run in the fourth, giving him nine RBIs in three See ROUNDUP, Page 7

Braves 7, Rockies 4

Todd He' on reached the 400 mark, then slipped back two points as Colorado lost to Atlanta at Coors Field. Helton singled twice in

his first three at-bats, but made outs in his last two trips to leave him at .398. He extended his hitting streak to 13 games and became the first player to get to .400 this late in a season since George Brett did it on Sept 4, 1980.

Andruw Jones went 4-for-4 for the Braves. He hit his 27th homer, doubled and drove in three runs. Chipper Jones added his 28th home run.

#### Expos 4, Dodgers 1

Dustin Hermanson came within one strike of a shutout, pitching Montreal

to a win at Dodger Stadium. After the game, Los Angeles manager Davey Johnson said he would have arthroscopic surgery

# Volleyball teams to travel tonight

**HERALD** staff report

Both Crossroads Area volleyball teams will be on the road tonight.

Big Spring will be heading to Lamesa to face the tradition-rich Golden Tornadoes. The freshmen will start things off at 5:30 p.m., with the JV following at approximately 6:30 p.m. and the varsity after that at approximately 7:30 p.m.

Regardless of classification, Lamesa has been a powerhouse. Two years ago, the Tors played for the

Class 3A state championship. Last year, they reached the regional tournament before being elimi-

As for Colorado City, the Lady Wolves will be going to Miles. The freshman match will be at 5 p.m., followed by the junior varsity at approximately 6 p.m. and the varsity at approximately 7 p.m.

"We split with them last year," Colorado City head volleyball coach Karen Trent said. "They're usually pretty good."

## UGSA slates signups to commence Aug. 22.

**HERALD** staff report

Big Spring United Girls Softball Association will be holding fall signups from Aug. 22 to Sept. 2. There will be six divi-

sions. These are t-ball (4-6), division I (7-9), division II (10-12), division III (13-14), division IV (15-19) and division V (20 and up). The signups will be taking

place during regular business hours at three locations, All Star Sports, Microzone and Sound Decision. The registration fee is \$25. For more information.

contact either Joellen (263-2982) or John (267-3861).

## Rangers routed by Yankees, 12-3, Monday

Yankees 12, Rangers 3 NEW YORK (AP)

Orlando Hernandez couldn't have asked for an easier way to break his longest personal losing streak.

New York scored six unearned runs in the third inning and Hernandez (9-10) won for the first time in five decisions as the Yankees beat the Texas Rangers 12-3 Monday.

last couple of outings, I feel one more start should do

hates to lose. It's good to win.

Since beating the New York Mets on July 7, Hernandez endured the longest losing skid of the major league career. He had also spent nearly three weeks on the disabled list with back spasms and a sore right elbow.

"I think it's pretty much "I've been saying for the touch right now and I think

good," he said. "Everyone it," Yankees manager Joe Torre said.

What made Hernandez's task easier was a six-run third triggered when Rangers shortstop Royce Clayton booted a potential double-play ball that left the bases loaded with no outs.

"They're like sharks," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "You give them a taste of blood, they come

after you." With Clay Bellinger on

gle and a throwing error by Rangers starter Brian Sikorski (1-1), Luis Polonia walked and Derek Jeter hit a potential double-play grounder to Clayton who bobbled the ball while trying to throw to second.

Texas was ahead 1-0 at the time.

"I screwed up the play." Clayton said. "It's not a play that requires much effort." Sikorski got two out but

second after an infield sin- then walked Tino Martinez on four pitches, forcing in the tying run.

Jorge Posada hit a two-run single for a 3-1 lead, and Luis Sojo, Scott Brosius and Bellinger followed with consecutive RBI singles. Before the inning ended, 11

Yankees batted. "I left a couple of pitches up to Posada, For some reason, I didn't get the ball down," said Sikorski after the game.

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#### NFL PRESEASON

Monday's Game Miami 17, Green Bay 14 Thursday, Aug. 24 Atlanta at Jacksonville, 6:30

Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7 p.m. Carolina at New England,

p.m. Minnesota at Indianapolis, St. Louis at Dallas, 7.20 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 25

Detroit at Cincinnati, 6 30 p.m.
Kansas City at Tampa Bay.

Baltimore at New York Grants. Miami at New Orleans, 7 p.m. Pittsburgh at Washington,

Tennessee at Chicago, 7 p.m. Arizona at San Diego, 9 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26

#### WNBA PLAYOFFS

Cleveland at Green Bay, 4 p.m.

FIRST ROUND (Best-of-3)
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Wednesday's Games

Friday, Aug. 11 Orlando 62, Cleveland 55 Saturday, Aug. 12 New York 72, Washington 63 Sunday, Aug. 13 Cleveland 63, Orlando 54

Monday, Aug. 14

New York 78, Washington 57, New York wins series 2.0

Tuesday, Aug. 15

Cleveland 72, Orlando 43, Cleveland wins series 2.1 WESTERN CONFERENCE Friday, Aug. 11 Los Angeles 86. Saturday, Aug. 12

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CONFERENCE FINALS EASTERN CONFERENCE Thursday, Aug. 17 Cleveland 56, New York 43

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New York 81, Cleveland 67 **WESTERN CONFERENCE** 

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p.m., if necessary

Continued from Page 6

full of depth last year and it's still there," Corse said. "We had one graduate. The guys are solid. I think we have one of the better guys

Blacketer isn't a returnee, but four of the other girls are. Following Blacketer in order are junior April Ward, sophomore Megan Roffers, sophomore Mindi

Lauren Chesworth will play the No.7 singles position and on the No.3 girls doubles team.

Richardson.

Another change this season is the district, which is now District 4-4A. Fort Stockton and Sweetwater dropped to Class 3A while four new neighbors from the north move

Partee, freshman Heather

Freshman

Parnell and senior Annette

Frenship, Levelland, Estacado and Lubbock **Plainview** 

"It's big," Corse said of the **new** district. "It's gonna be a tough district. We were pretty much dominating Stockton Sweetwater and we gain Frenship and Plainview. It's gonna be a tough district. Andrews and Snyder are no slouches, either, so it's gonna be tough.

#### ROUNDUP

Continued from Page 6

Tuesday morning to repair a tear in his left rotator cuff. He said he expects to be back in the dugout later that night for the game against the Expos.

Brewers 16, D'backs 8

Tyler Houston homered twice and drove in five runs as Milwaukee stopped Arizona's seven-game winning streak.

The visiting Brewers hit three homers in an eightrun second. Houston had a three-run shot and Mark Loretta and Richie Sexson also connected.

Loretta had three hits and drove in three runs. Milwaukee got 19 hits, 10 for extra bases.

Padres 5, Mets 4

Pinch-hitter Dave Magadan drew a bases-loaded walk from Dennis Cook with two outs in the bottom of the 10th inning and San Diego beat New York.

Cook (6-3) walked five in 1 2-3 innings, and gestured at plate umpire Gerry Davis as he walked off the mound.

Magadan, batting for pitcher Trevor Hoffman (4-4), took five pitches in drawing the winning walk.

#### Reds 7, Phillies 4

Barry Larkin got his 2,000th career hit and Dmitri Young launched an upper-deck grand slam as Cincinnati won at home.

Tomas Perez hit three doubles and drove in three runs for Philadelphia.

Larkin's milestone hit was an RBI double during a six-run third. He waved to D' Rays 11, White Sox 4 the crowd as the 21,558 fans stood and chanted his name.

#### Cardinals 7, Pirates 4

Slumping Jim Edmonds hit a three-run homer to lead St. Louis over Pittsburgh at Busch Stadium.

Edmonds, who was in a 2for-27 rut, tied his career high with his 33rd homer. He also singled as the NL Central leaders won for the fifth time in six games.

Brian Giles hit his 30th home run to become the first Pirates player to reach the mark in consecutive seasons since Willie Stargell in 1972-73.

#### Red Sox 7, Angels 6

Brian Daubach keeps get ting the hits that count.

First, he hit a tying tworun homer in the ninth inning, then he hit a gamewinning, two-run single in the 11th Monday night to lead the Boston Red Sox over the Anaheim Angels 7-

Daubach, in a 10-for-61 (.164) slide with just three RBIs coming in, has given the Red Sox four walkoff victories this season.

the top of the 11th against Derek Lowe (4-4) on Adam Kennedy's squeeze bunt, but the Red Sox loaded the bases with no outs in the bottom half, and Shigetoshi Hasegawa (8-3) got Jason Varitek to ground into a second-to-catcher-to-first double play.

It could have been a triple play if first baseman Mo Vaughn had noticed Manny Alexander was slow to leave

Gerald Williams became up seven hits in his second the 25th player in major

league history to hit 20 home runs from the leadoff spot, hitting a solo shot in the third at Comiskey Park.

Felix Martinez hit his sec ond career home run, and Fred McGriff and Bobby Smith each drove in three

Tanyon Sturtze (5-2), 4-0 since he was acquired from the White Sox on May 31, allowed one run and five hits in seven innings with six strikeouts

Jim Parque (10-5) gave up six runs three earned five hits and five walks in 4 2-3 innings.

#### Tigers 3, Athletics 1

Knuckleballer Sparks (4-2) won his fourth straight decision, allowing an unearned run and four hits in 6 2-3 innings with a season-high even strike-outs. Todd Jones pitched the ninth at Detroit for his AL-leading 35th save.

Mark Mulder (7-9) fell to 1 8 in his last 10 starts, allow ing three runs on six hits in 5 2-3 innings.

Detroit broke a sixthinning tie with RBIs from Anaheim took a 6-5 lead in Deivi Cruz and Brad Ausmus.

#### Orioles 2, Royals 1

Mike Mussina (8-13) allowed one unearned run and six hits in seven innings at Camden Yards to win for just the second time in eight starts. Buddy Groom and Mike Trombley worked the eighth, and rookie Ryan Kohlmeier got three outs for his fifth save. Brook Fordyce singled in a run and scored one for the

Brian Meadows (2-1) gave

complete game

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**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\*\* Others prove to be a source of inspiration and ideas. Brainstorm. Schedule meetings. The more you and others put your heads together, the more positive the results. Another's actions seem manipulative. Choose not to react. Go with spontaneity. Tonight: What makes you happy

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\*\* Take charge at work. Your ideas mark your work. Others value your feedback. Let them express their appreciation. Instincts direct you with a boss or higher-up. You know what timing works with others. Openly accept new approaches. Tonight: Burn the midnight oil.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* You might not be exactly sure which way to go with a key project. Listen to feedback from a well-meaning friend at a distance. Your perspective changes as a result. Value what is important in a key relationship. Don't get into a power struggle. Tonight: To the movies. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov.

\*\*\*\* Know that you'll gain by leaning on a trusted partner. Your ability to read between the lines helps you understand what the real money issue is. Respond to the problem rather than to what others are saying. Your ability to scope out problems makes you a winner. Tonight: Go along with another's ideas. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22

Dec. 21) \*\*\*\* Don't push another

away. Sometimes you get difficult and controlling. Let go of this trait

Understand what others want from you, not what you think they want. Talks prove to be revealing and opening. Others come from solid ground. Let caring flow. Tonight: Another's offer appeals to you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-

\*\*\*\* You might want to pull back and think before you make a decision. Though you might not generally be frivolous or careless with money, you could make a bad judgment. Focus on work, quality production and working with others. Ultimately, you'll gain. Tonight: Off to the gym.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

\*\*\*\*\* Your imagination takes you on a wild flight of fancy. Be realistic about goals, and don't take risks. Your abilities surge forward if you give yourself the opportunity to work within a framework. A partner is energized because of your efforts. Tonight: Have fun, your style

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

\*\*\* Make family and domestic matters primary. Others respect your decisions. Discuss a problem carefully with a boss. This person could be more reactive than you realize. Don't get plugged into another's control games. Work off stress. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

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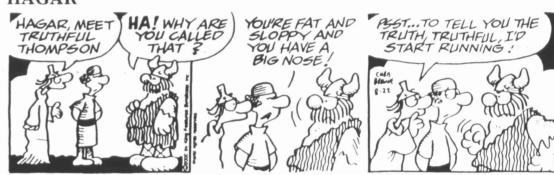
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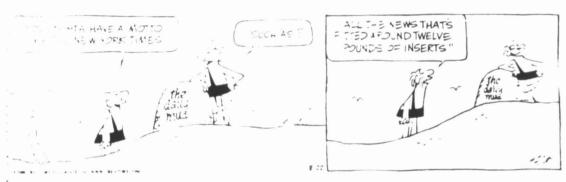
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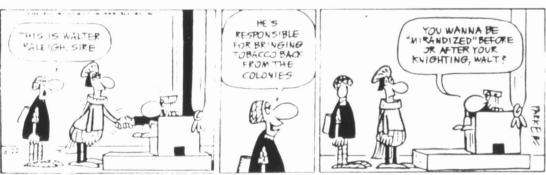
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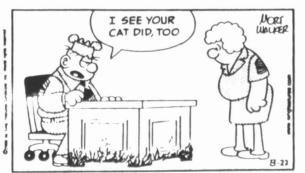
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- 45 Scaredy-cat
- 46 Add on 49 Vaulted
- recesses of
- churches 50 Shoe grip
- 51 Irish poet 53 Takes into custody
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- Abba 55 Fill completely
- 56 Ancient Hebrew lyre
- 57 Outer edge
- 58 Mature
- 59 Actor Voight