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Women vets to be honored here on Nov. 9

Women Veterans Day is planned for Thursday, Nov. 9, from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 810 Scurry.

Programs are planned to honor and aid women who served in the armed forces. There will be an opportunity to register in the women's primary care clinic, and information about the rights of veterans.

For information or to register, call Linda Zeigler at the Big Spring VA Medical Center, 264-4830.

WHAT'S UP...

TODAY

Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library.
Masonic Lodge No. 1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

FRIDAY

The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club, noon, Howard College Cactus Room.
AMBUCS, noon, La Posada.
Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. All seniors invited.

SATURDAY

The Heritage Museum, 510 Scurry, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
The Potton House, 200 Gregg, a restored historic home, is open from 1 to 5 p.m. A one-time admission fee of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children and senior citizens are encouraged.
Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third. Members and guests welcome.
Big Spring Squares, call 267-7043 or 263-6305 for more information.

MONDAY

Senior Circle, 4 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and older are invited to participate.
Big Spring Evening Lions club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Janis Dean, 267-3068.

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Call goes out for volunteers to help with Festival of Lights

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

Ready or not, Christmas is coming and will be here before anyone realizes it.

Of course it would not be Christmas in Big Spring without the annual Comanche Trail Festival of Lights. It has



SIMMONS

been a tradition for several years and promises to be for years to come.

Organizers do need help, however, and according to Pat Simmons, chairperson for the annual event, if you have certain skills your help would be most appreciated.

"Each year, it is our goal to make this thing bigger and better," said Simmons. "But, as always, it takes the efforts of a lot of people to make this happen and be a success, so we are asking

FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Needed: Volunteers, electricians, marshals, welders, greeters, coordinators, parkers.

To volunteer: Call Pat Simmons at 263-4807.

those who have talents in certain areas to volunteer some of their time to help us out."

Simmons said they need

marshals to help patrol the area, troubleshooters to check lights and displays, handymen to help out in any area and a lights person who will oversee the hanging of the lights and removing and storing them after the holidays are over.

They also need help in transporting lights, sculptures and material to the park and back, welders, someone with an electronics background to work on the sound system, people to help greet visitors nightly,

others to help with parking, someone to make signs for directions and someone to oversee sculptures and assist in layout plans.

"The most pressing right now would be a few more men with electrical knowledge," said Simmons. "Tom Corwin has volunteered his help in that area and he needs help in getting that project going and completed. Another area we could sure use help in is marshals

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Friends said Peet was unique individual

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

If you were to ask anyone who knew Roy Peet very well to describe him in one word, chances are most would say "unique."

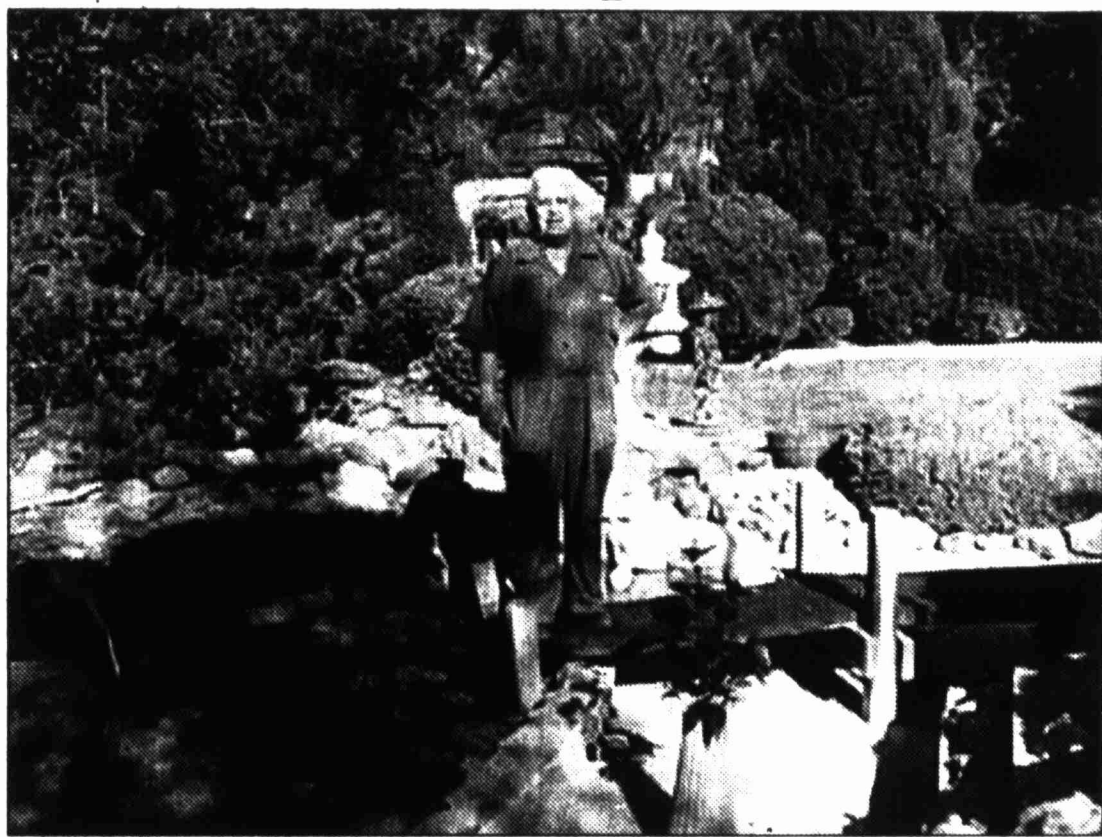
Peet died in his sleep on Mother's Day. He was 84 years old, but had put in a full day of work the day before at Inland Port, the business he owned and operated for 31 years at 213 Main.

Inland Port featured imported items from all over the Orient and parts of Europe to include Hummel plates, jewelry boxes, Goebel birds, figurines, dolls and other items.

Peet, a veteran of the Army Air Corps, came to Big Spring in 1960 and worked for Estah's Flowers until he was able to open Inland Port. When not at his business, Peet spent many hours working in his garden; his friends said the garden was the love of his life.

According to Beth Roman, who operates the Tom Boy shop across the street, Peet was unique in every sense of the word.

"Mr. Peet was always a gentleman first, never anything out of place, always



Jerry Ramsey of Odessa stands in the backyard of the late Roy Peet. Peet had a beautiful botanical garden that was the love of his life, friends said. An estate sale to liquidate all his belongings began today and will go through Monday at the Inland Port and his residence at 710 Edwards.

spotless," said Roman. "He had a unique way of dressing; you'd never see him without his jewelry. He was always cordial and always had time for everybody and would help you through

any type of situation. He was a unique, special, loving person."

Betty Pearson worked for Peet for around eight years. She said Peet was a talented and creative person.

"His creativity was the most important thing about him," said Pearson. "He had a mind that would just not quit and he was so tal-

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Estate sale under way, to run through Monday

By CARL GRAHAM
Staff Writer

The entire estate of the late Roy Peet, owner of the Inland Port, began this morning and will continue through Monday.

Peet, who died on May 14, operated the store located at 213 Main for 31 years.

Delora Kirby of Midland

Betty Pearson stands behind some of the many items discounted at Inland Port now through Monday.

HERALD photo/Carl Graham

is the sales manager for the liquidation of all the inventory and fixtures. She said it was an honor to have been selected to oversee the sale.

"I am very pleased to have been chosen as the sales manager of the estate," said Kirby. "In going over all the inventory from all the stuff at the store and at his residence, I found him to be a very unusual and unique individual who traveled all over the country buying

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STEPS center, faculty training under way at Howard College

By LYNDEL MOODY
Staff Writer

Hundreds of students are utilizing Howard College's newly opened Student Tutorial Education Program or (STEPS)

learning center and many faculty members are currently updating their knowledge in multi-media technology.

Last year, Howard College was one of 39 postsecondary institutions across the country to be awarded with a five-year grant from Hispanic Serving Institutions Program through the U.S. Department of Education.

The grant, totaling \$1,866,000, funds two separate activities: Activity I, which emphasizes faculty training in multi-media

technology and Activity II, which is a STEPS learning center.

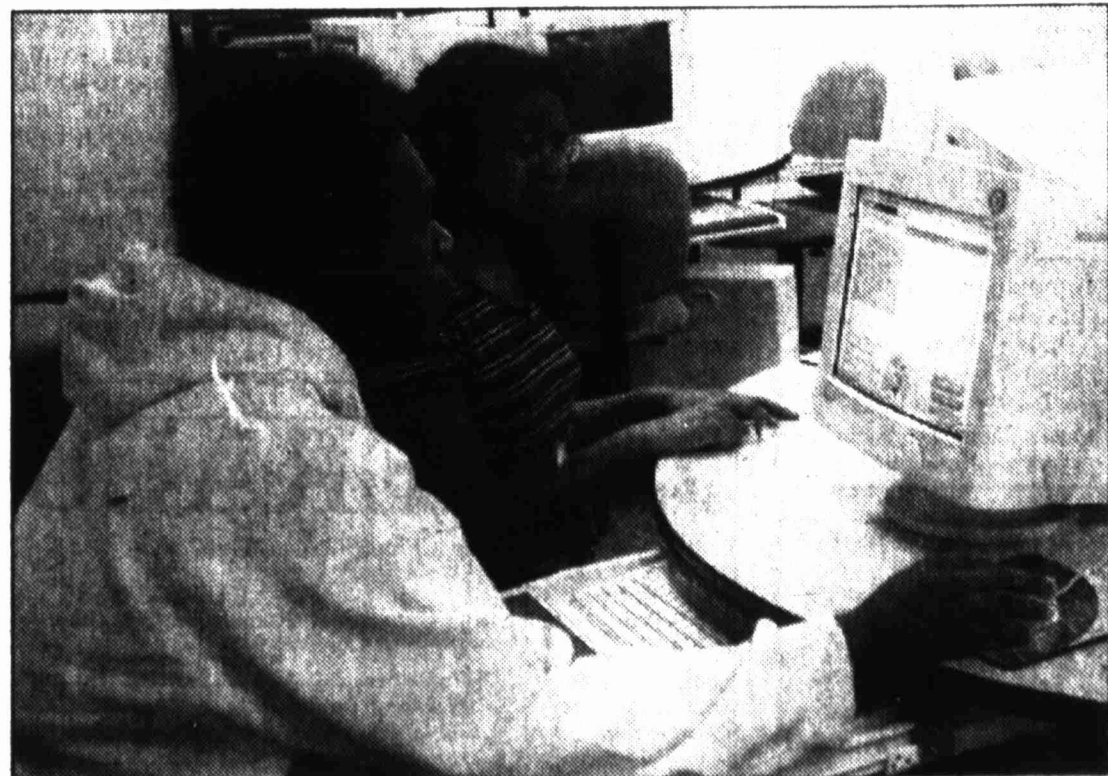
According to Julie Wolf, Title V project director, faculty training in Activity I is now under way on the Howard College and San Angelo campuses.

"The faculty training will allow the faculty to take the multi-media tools they have learned in training and infuse the technology into the classroom," Wolf said. "Our faculty is very excited about the training."

The 10 faculty selected will be trained in the basic use of current technology, including both software and hardware, Wolf said.

Next semester, faculty will learn to revise their class curriculum to include the current software in their daily instruction. The last semester will emphasize how teachers can create their own software to enhance their particular classes, she said.

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Melissa Griffin and Darius Mattear, both Howard College freshmen, use one of the computers in the Student Tutorial Education Program or (STEPS) learning center located in the college's Practical Arts building. Mattear uses the facility nearly every day, he said. Since the learning center opened in mid-August, close to 200 different students use the facility each week.

HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

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Senators head home for elections, but House Republicans balking

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mired in Congress' budget war with President Clinton, the Senate began sending its members home Wednesday for the impending elections as Republican leaders planned a lame-duck session to complete legislative work.

After initially saying they would follow suit on Thursday, House Republicans decided instead to keep their chamber in business at least until Friday. Six days before the election, they said they were leery of Democratic accusations that Congress was

quitting and leaving the job undone.

"We don't want to set our members up to be blackmailed by the White House or the Democrats," House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., told reporters.

Senators began streaming to the airport after voting by voice to keep federal agencies open through Nov. 14, when lawmakers would reconvene. House GOP leaders had said they would approve the same measure by Thursday, and Democrats said Clinton would sign the bill.

But after a private meet-

ing, House Republicans emerged with a different strategy — stay in session at least until Friday and continue passing daily measures to keep federal agencies open a day at a time.

Participants in the meeting said rank-and-file lawmakers cautioned that if the House recessed, Clinton and Democrats would accuse them of leaving without finishing crucial work.

Rep. Marty Martinez, a former Democrat, warned that Democrats were intent on setting a political trap for the GOP, said a Republican on condition of

anonymity. The lawmaker quoted Martinez as saying, "I know how they think."

Speaking to high-tech executives at a fund-raiser Wednesday night in the capital's Virginia suburbs, Clinton said the budget apparently "won't pass until after the election, but eventually it will pass."

Just Tuesday, House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas, said Congress should take a break because "the political atmosphere has been poisoned."

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., also advocated the idea, saying

Wednesday, "I think this is the right thing to do."

DeLay and other House Republicans said Lott notified them of his decision to let the Senate leave town an hour before senators voted to do so — and before House leaders met with their rank and file. Lott made his decision after Democrats told him Clinton would sign a bill keeping agencies open while Congress was away.

"That decision wasn't of our making," Hastert told reporters of Lott's decision.

The House's decision means the Senate will have to approve daylong stopgap

spending bills as well. The Senate can do that if it chooses by voice vote with just one senator in the chamber.

It seemed likely that despite the House's decision to stay, it would do little work and there would be no serious budget negotiations until after Tuesday's elections.

There has been little if any progress since Monday, when Republican leaders rejected a compromise on a giant \$350 billion education, labor and health bill that had been accepted by their negotiators.

ACLU joins fight over vote-buying Internet site

CHICAGO (AP) — A Europe-based Web site claiming to buy and sell votes for the U.S. presidential election, apparently closed Wednesday under pressure from Chicago election officials.

But the American Civil Liberties Union said it would fight to keep vote-auction.com on the Internet, saying the Web site was constitutionally protected under the First Amendment.

"We think political parody and satire is protected whether on the written page

or the Internet," ACLU legal director Harvey Grossman said.

The Chicago Board of Election Commissioners, which sued to shut down the site, said it was assured by the site's Swiss registrar, CORE Internet Council of Registrar, that vote-auction.com would be taken off the Web.

The Swiss group sent the board email saying it was acting "since it does effectively appear that this domain name is used in connection with unlawful activity."

The message referred to an order that Cook County Circuit Judge Michael Murphy issued at the request of Chicago election officials, requiring a similar-sounding site, voteauction.com, or any site like it, to be deleted from the web, officials said.

Several attempts to open either site failed Wednesday, though it was determined vote-auction.com had been in operation a day earlier.

The site was created by James Baumgartner, a student at Rensselaer

Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y., who said he did it as a parody to "evoke public commentary concerning an issue which is at the core of this nation's democracy, whether or not elections are for sale."

"I want to emphasize that at no time was it my intent to have people buy and sell votes," he said in an affidavit the ACLU's Grossman showed reporters.

But Chicago Board of Election Commissioners spokesman Tom Leach said the site only encouraged people to break the law.

Clinton signs two bills to help nation's veterans

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton on Wednesday signed a bill to ensure that benefits received by disabled veterans keep up with inflation and another that provides higher educational benefits to veterans.

Beginning Dec. 1, the new cost-of-living adjustment, or COLA, will be available to veterans disabled during service, their surviving spouses and their children. It will be the same as the Social Security COLA, which is determined each year by the increase in the government's Consumer Price Index.

More than 2.6 million veterans receive compensation for diseases contracted or injuries sustained in the line of duty during active duty service. The amount of compensation varies according to the degree of

disability.

Congress has voted increases in veterans compensation every year since 1976.

The second bill addresses a broad range of health and education issues for veterans.

It raises to \$650 a month the educational benefits available under the Montgomery GI Bill for those who have served three years; and to \$528 for those who have served two years.

"These rates represent the single largest benefit increase in the Montgomery GI Bill's 15-year history," Clinton said.

The law also provides full benefits to Filipino veterans of World War II who currently receive disability compensation and burial benefits at a rate equal to one-half the rate that U.S. veterans receive.

Student with gun arrested at Carrollton high school

DALLAS (AP) — A 15-year-old boy who had been reported as a runaway took a loaded gun to a Carrollton high school Wednesday morning and held several students hostage before police broke into the locked classroom and took him into custody, police said.

No one was injured in the incident at Newman Smith High School, although medical personnel checked the student's teacher as a precaution because she is pregnant.

School remained in session after the student, a freshman, was apprehended about 8:40 a.m. School officials met with hundreds of frantic parents at a church across the street from the high school.

"We want everyone to know the students and staff at Newman Smith are safe," said district spokeswoman Cindy Randle.

The suspect was in geography class with the teacher and 18 other students when the incident began shortly after 8 a.m., said Judy Thurman, another spokeswoman for the district.

"Apparently there was

some type of homework assignment that the teacher asked him for and he said he didn't have it and she said she was going to send him to the office," said Carrollton police spokesman Sgt. David Sponhour. After pleading with the teacher not to be sent to the office, the student pulled the gun out of his school bag and pointed it at her, Sponhour said.

"Apparently she put her hands up and said, 'OK, what can I do for you?'" Sponhour said.

The suspect then instructed the other students in the classroom to put their hands on their desks, Sponhour said.

Police were called at 8:16 a.m. and began evacuating the area around the classroom.

"At first, he let two students go. Right after that, he let all the female students leave," Sponhour said. "That left nine male students and the female teacher."

Sponhour said reports that shots were fired were incorrect, but that the suspect set off firecrackers in

the classroom.

Police forced the door open and apprehended the student. They recovered a loaded 9 mm Sig Sauer automatic handgun with an unknown number of rounds, Sponhour said.

The student was charged with delinquent conduct. He could face charges of aggravated assault or kidnapping if he is charged as an adult.

Sponhour said the youth was reported as a runaway Tuesday night.

Newman Smith High School is in the Carrollton Independent School District.

Teacher charged with having sexual relationship with student

ODESSA (AP) — An Odessa junior high teacher has been indicted after being accused of having sex with a 14-year-old boy.

Tammy Gardner, 37, was indicted this week on two counts of sexual assault of a child, a second-degree felony, the Odessa American reported Wednesday.

Deputy District Attorney Susan Redford told the

paper that a relationship between Gardner and the student lasted several months.

Redford said the boy's mother found e-mails between Gardner and her son and reported them to the police.

Ector County Independent School District Superintendent Roy Benavides said Gardner resigned from the district on Jan. 3.

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OUR VIEWS

Time for joy but time for caution, too

As we move into the holiday season with its cheer, family traditions and spirit of good will, we need to remind ourselves that we also must be cautious. For as many of us see this time as one of giving and sharing, some see it as an opportunity to take advantage of others.

YOUR VIEWS

To the Editor: I recently read an article in the Herald that should get everyone's attention. The article concerned a law recently signed by the president, which adjusts the blood alcohol level (BAL) necessary to convict a person of driving while intoxicated.

people and the states. Traffic laws are a state's right, unless state legislatures and state governors are blackmailed, illegally by the federal government into adopting its mandates.

TIM HATCHER BIG SPRING

Donna's daily exposure to higher learning

My cousin Donna and I have an exercise regimen. We walk around a quarter-mile track eight times to increase our appetites and make us eat more at mealtime.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

their car bumpers, is far more interesting than mine. It was from Donna, for instance, that I first heard about Eminem and about cruel mama jokes and, oh, yes, in-house suspension.

Abercrombie & Fitch is not a root beer. Walking alone is a little like dancing alone. Pathetic somehow. When I walk alone — solo walks I take on a dirt road near my house, not the hip and educational uptown track — I have the bad habit of spending the entire 2 miles pondering my next sentence, which is too much like work and defeats the whole purpose of exercise.

in dressing up to sweat. Other women in spiffy, color-coordinated, stretchable togs sometimes pass us, their noses in the air and elbows stuck out like mizzenmasts. They walk fast — the tighter the exercise duds, the faster the pace — just like they think someone's serving pizza at the finish line.



Abolish government education

I'm not kidding when I say that government education should be abolished. Until we can accomplish that, we need to sabotage it every chance we get.



CHARLEY REESE

American Revolution, striking down those founding documents which granted sovereignty to ordinary people. School was a lie from the beginning and continues to be a lie.

the students or their parents. Another point is that the process itself produces negative consequences in the child. As he puts it, "it takes about three years to break a child."

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Dementia can be devastating: Learn the symptoms, how to cope

It is a mistake to ascribe psychiatric symptoms to the normal aging process. The aging brain is very sensitive to changes in the environment, drugs, disease processes in other organs, mental or emotional distress. A major concern in the elderly, and their relatives, is the presence of Alzheimer's disease or another type of dementia.

Hurtful remarks can draw attention to the problem, which at first may be noticeable to some family members and not to others, leading to family disputes. Some patients keep intact social skills and the problem is hidden until some dramatic event such as a holiday, a hospitalization, etc., makes it manifest.



DR. GUIDO TOSCANO

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various physical illnesses, medications and other conditions may cause anxiety, irritability, frustration, etc., which will make the diagnosis more difficult by adding depression and confusion to the underlying symptoms.

Examples of treatable dementia are medication toxicity, thyroid disease, depression, and vitamin B12 or folic acid deficiency. The great majority of dementia fall into the category of Alzheimer's type, or vascular type (multi-infarct dementia).

- Behavioral management: Sleeplessness, suspiciousness, irritability, catastrophic reactions, etc.
Treatment of associated depression, frequently manifested as a demoralized state or adjustment disorder.
Family support is paramount, yet so frequently the family is distressed by the feelings of guilt, anger, discouragement, or demoralization.

should be kept in mind, since it will make dealing with the latter part of the illness easier. Decisions about limiting therapy may be necessary as well as the delegation of decision-making to others.

With sequel, town fears return of 'Blair Witch' fans

BURKITTSVILLE, Md. (AP) — The Blair Witch is haunting Burkittsville again. The tiny western Maryland town was bracing for a second onslaught of 'Blair Witch' fanatics with Friday's release of a sequel to last year's surprising box-office hit.

and its woods, convinced the legend was true. They were looking for a town history that doesn't exist. Burkittsville wasn't built on the remnants of an 18th-century settlement named Blair, as the movie would have it.

name "Burkittsville Union Cemetery." Fictional residents hawk Blair Witch merchandise early in the film. There is a town police force and mental hospital, neither of which actually exists.

Teen boys would dye to keep up with trends

ARLINGTON (AP) — Debbie Basinger considers bleaching her teen-ager's hair every few weeks one of the joys of being a mother.

'Fashion is everything. If you have the fashion, you have the girls.' Jonathan Burns

percent on styling gel and 22 percent on anti-perspirant, according to Teenage Research Unlimited. Even though Depp, LA Looks, Auzzi and Suave are popular brands among young men, Mr. Wood said he's not sure that teen guys are specifically interested in brand names for personal care products.

Key to staying young may be in the cards

WACO (AP) — At 100 years old, Ann Farek could be considered a champion of life. But to see this champion in action, hand her a deck of cards and watch her play bridge.

'A couple of girls that played bridge came to me and my roommate and asked if they could teach us to play, and that's how we got started. I just kept it up.'

Ann Farek

Ross Bridge Club, which Farek belongs to. "We all are in awe of Ann because to be this age and such a good bridge player. ... You would never guess that she's 100 years old."

School in Laredo. A natural athlete and competitor, she was the Citles Women's Gold Champion in Laredo and later coached golf at other high schools.

of those who took the entrance exam. Her specialty in WAVES was "degaussing," a process that demagnetized the hulls of ships so they wouldn't explode magnetic mines.

COMMUNITY NEWS FOR YOUR INFORMATION
At the Sunburst Baby Pageant in Big Spring Mall, two local babies were named winners in the age 0-1 category. Zachary Brock Fernandez, 8 months, was named king. His parents are Joey and Theresa Fernandez of Big Spring.
Named queen and also given the award for "best hair" was Meranda Nicole Requejo, 10 months. She is the daughter of Melinda Gonzales and Ernesto Requejo, both of Big Spring.
Both youngsters advanced to state competition, which is planned for Houston in May 2001.
WOMEN VETERANS DAY IS planned for Thursday, Nov. 9, from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 810 Scurry.

College offers food for thought

AMHERST, Mass. (AP) — Amherst College is putting money where its mouth is as this fall to bring students and professors closer together.

Through a program dubbed TYPO — "Take Your Professor Out" — the college is paying for its 430 freshmen to share meals with their teachers in hopes they will form collegial bonds outside the classroom.

"It kind of took away the whole professor-student boundary we have in class," John Stanton-Geddes, 18, of St. Louis, said Monday.

He and six others from the "Unseen Universe" class recently discussed hometowns and skiing with astronomy professor George Greenstein while nibbling on sushi and fried rice.

The idea first surfaced among a handful of professors, including freshman dean Frank Couvares, who also teaches history. Inspired by the classic model of Plato's Academy, the professors sought to foster more informal exchanges with students.

"It was in part to help to realize the idea of what the liberal arts community is

about: a close community of learning and scholarship," Couvares said.

Administrators narrowed the list to seven nearby restaurants and set a price cap of \$120, plus tip, for groups of up to seven pupils and a teacher. No limits were placed on what would be discussed.

Like at a prom, no one seemed to want to be first on the dance floor. But, within weeks, four outings had taken place, with more than 20 students escorting professors to a meal.

For Stanton-Geddes, it has meant more than a break from the campus meal plan.

"I don't think we even talked that much about astronomy. We talked about our lives," he said. "Now the class is a lot friendlier. We see each other, and we stop to talk."

Upperclassmen have begun asking for free meals, too. Administrators are considering expanding the program.

Meanwhile, some professors, like bashful debutantes, still wait to be asked out. Even Couvares, who runs the program, says his dance card remains open.

Scientists learn much from ancient art of mummification

BALTIMORE (AP) — A glass-top coffin allowed a filtered view of the plain white linen keeping the mummy preserved.

A small crowd assembled around the coffin, eager and curious to learn about the creation of this modern-day King Tut, a corpse named Mumab that was treated with preservation techniques reserved for pharaohs and their families.

The mummy was embalmed in 1994 by Ronald Wade of the University of Maryland Medical Center and Bob Brier of Long Island University. It was the first mummy in at least 2,800 years to be made using the tools and techniques of ancient Egypt. And it was on display recently while Wade conducted a seminar at the annual convention of the National Funeral Directors Association.

The only thing missing was the elegant sarcophagus.

"I don't think, candidly, that mummification has any practical purpose in contemporary funeral practice," said Mike Ruck, a Baltimore funeral director.

He and his colleagues saw the seminar as more than an educational opportunity.

John McDonough, a funeral director from Lowell, Mass., said it's not implausible to think that customers might one day choose to be mummified instead of having their bodies disposed of.

"There are a certain number of people who want unique things," he said. "As unpopular as cremation was in its infancy, who knows? Maybe people would want to preserve their bodies eternally."

When Wade and Brier began the process of removing fluids and internal organs from the corpse, it weighed 172 pounds. It now tips the scales at just 69 pounds.

"He's still losing weight," said Wade, director of the state Anatomy Board. "Every time we weigh him, he's lighter."

The weight loss comes from the method by which the Egyptians removed moisture from the body cavity. After removing the organs, Wade and Brier covered every square inch of

the body with natron, a naturally occurring sodium compound used as a desiccating agent by the Egyptians.

Packets of natron were placed inside the body cavity where the organs were removed, and palm wine was used to disinfect the interior, including the skull cavity. The corpse was left under the natron in a closed room for 35 days.

Natron draws water out of the flesh at an astonishing rate. When Wade and Brier inspected the mummy after 35 days, it had lost 80 pounds in water weight.

"When we entered that room," Wade said, "we knew we were seeing something that hadn't been seen for at least 2,800 years."

The Egyptians cared for their dead using replicas of ancient Egyptian embalming tools, one hundred yards of fine Egyptian linen, more than 600 pounds of natron, frankincense and myrrh, oil of cedar, palm wine and natural resins.

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Healing wounds

Orphans reunite to share memories of hardship

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — In 1950, little girls at St. Peter's Orphanage did not talk back to nuns.

Loirel Manning was 7, and angry because one of the Sisters of Charity was yelling at a new girl. She spoke up.

The nun threw her against a brick wall.

At that moment, Loirel began hating that nun. The orphanage became a prison. But the little girl she defended became her friend.

In December 1999, nearly half a century after she had left the orphanage, Loirel Manning — now Loirel Nachin — was at peace with herself. She was living in Holiday, Fla., and, for the most part, had laid her childhood to rest.

But every day, she thought about the girls she grew up with at St. Peter's. They had considered each other sisters and forged intense bonds that eased the loneliness and uncertainty of Loirel Nachin dreamt of finding them again.

One day, at a restaurant in nearby St. Petersburg she started chatting with a woman at another table. The conversation turned to where they were from.

New England.
New Hampshire.
Manchester.

St. Peter's Orphanage.
And Nachin was suddenly reunited with Patricia Beaudoin, a girl with whom she had played almost 50 years ago.

"I just started screaming," said Beaudoin, who still lives in Manchester, only a

'I remember one time when I got a doll for Christmas and I had to share her with 40 other girls.'

Jackie Mitchell, orphan

few miles from St. Peter's. Delighted to have found each other after so long, the pair quickly hatched a plan: to reunite as many former orphans of St. Peter's as they could find.

It was a formidable task. Most of the children who grew up at the orphanage lost touch with each other after they left. Women had married and had adopted new last names.

But Nachin and Beaudoin contacted as many people as they could; they begged reporters at local newspapers in Florida and New Hampshire to write about their quest, and word spread.

In late May, more than 90 former residents of St. Peter's reunited at a church hall across from the orphanage. For many, it was a happy occasion, but for others, it was a reminder of a time they'd rather forget.

For Jackie Mitchell, the reunion was an attempt to put closure on a time she's still trying to justify and understand. Her memories still give her nightmares.

She remembers that food wasn't to be wasted, and the

nuns always made sure the children cleaned their plates.

Once, when she was 7, she was ill and vomited in her oatmeal. A nun, she says, nonetheless made sure she cleaned her plate.

Fifty years later, Mitchell cannot talk about the orphanage without weeping. The reunion was hard for her. When many residents crossed the street to tour the orphanage, she stayed behind.

"This is the last page in a book I'm hoping to sign off on forever," she said.

Mitchell, once Jackie Bellemare, is now a grandmother of three and lives in Rhode Island.

She has memories of nuns who ridiculed her because she had a skin disorder. She remembers scrubbing bathroom tiles each morning before breakfast.

"I remember one time when I got a doll for Christmas and I had to share her with 40 other girls," Mitchell said.

Leona Tuttle, who is now 50 and lives in North Carolina, did not attend the reunion. She, her older brother, Douglas Shackett, and her younger brother, Leo St. Francis, all lived at St. Peter's.

Several years ago, Tuttle tried to come to terms with her childhood. On the advice of a psychiatrist, she went to visit St. Peter's.

"It still smelled the same. I can't describe it," she said. "If you could put a smell on sorrow, that's what it was."

YOUNG

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give up golf. After she recovered, she took up duplicate bridge, a more advanced version of the game. Pretty soon, she was playing in tournaments and beating the best players all over the world.

Playing bridge, Farek said, keeps her young.

Bales said Farek often asks to keep score during games because it keeps her mind sharp.

She doesn't offer many other secrets to staying young, but she does tell people to take care of themselves.

Farek has taken a multivitamin for 50 years, and until five years ago, walked every day at Figure World.

Farek said being naturally analytical has helped her play bridge well. It also car-

ries over into other activities.

"Each morning she spends hours checking the stock market, and her broker says she knows as much about it as he does," Farek's niece, Marcy Klein, said.

Farek said in her 100 years, the biggest change she has seen has been in the use of electronics.

"She never has done computers, and she says she

doesn't want to fool with them," Klein said.

But, her "Auntie Annie" is otherwise a modern woman.

"On one shopping trip this year, she was disgusted with the dresses because she said they were all for old ladies," Klein said. "She doesn't mind being a senior, but you certainly cannot say she is old."

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5:30 p.m. • Saturday, December 2, 2000

Parade theme — "A Traditional Christmas"
Entry deadline — Noon, Friday, Nov. 17



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2. Floats can't exceed 65 feet long, 8 feet wide or 14 feet high.
3. Vehicles other than antiques must be decorated.
4. Vehicles of a strictly commercial nature will not be permitted.
5. Entries not in line at start of parade will be placed at end of parade and will not compete.
6. Candy may be distributed by elves on foot only. **None can be thrown from floats.**
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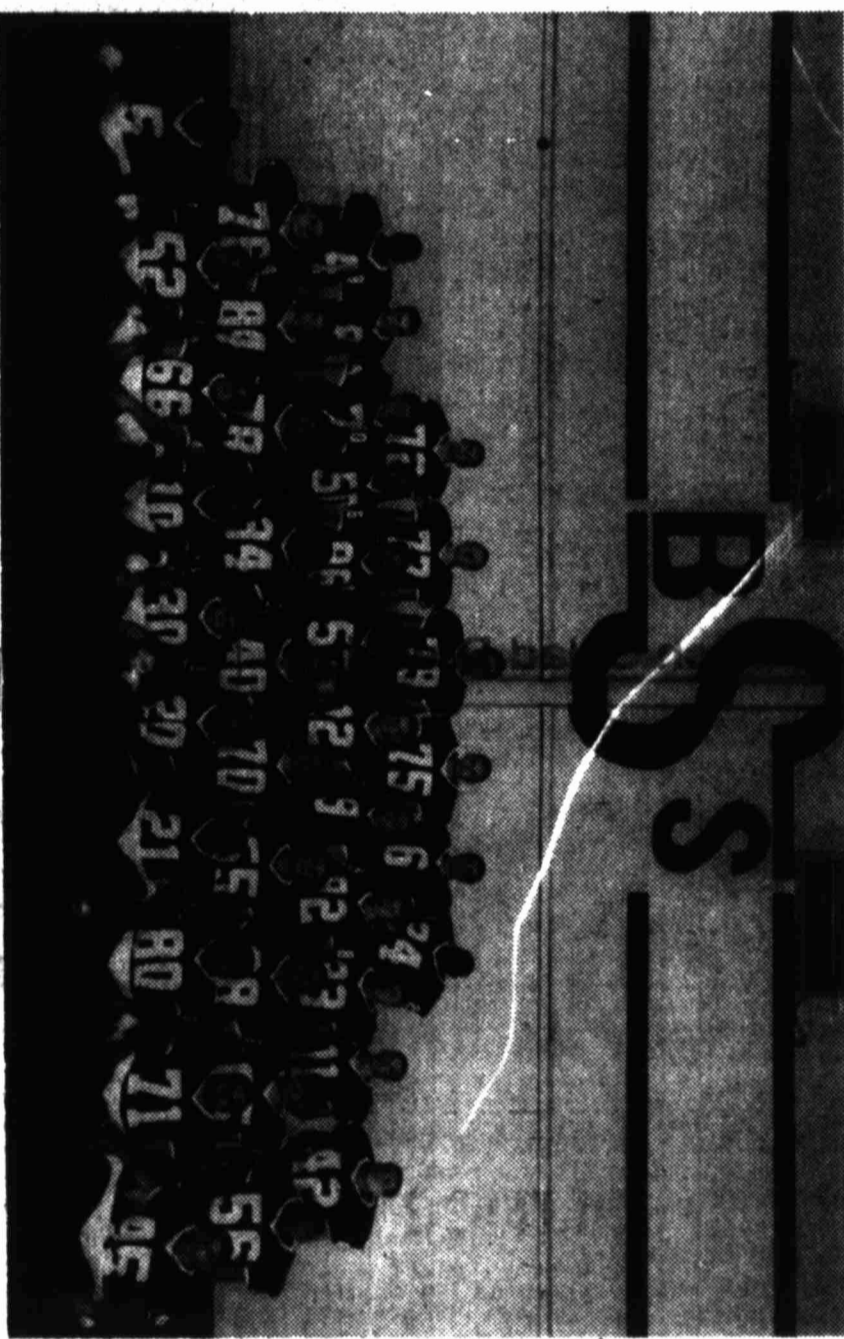
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Polly Ticks' Guide for Kids

Election Talk

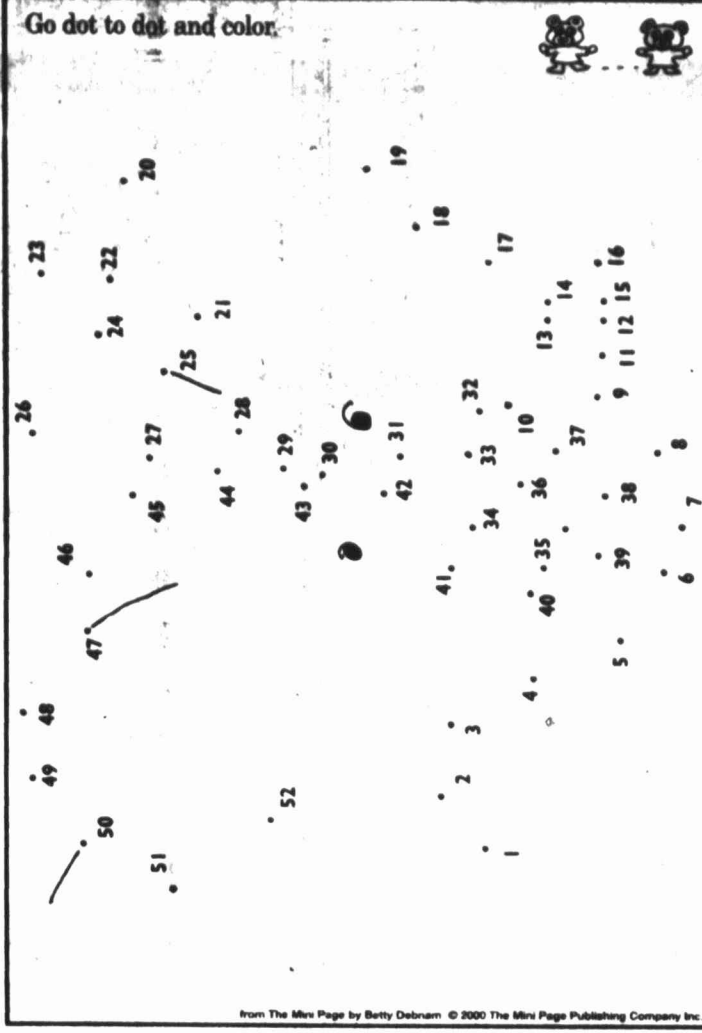
The Mini Page asked our political expert, Polly Ticks, to help us understand some of the words voters and candidates have been using during this election season.

ELECTION DAY IS NOV. 7TH!

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- To run for office** is to campaign, or make speeches and try to get people to vote for you.
- To toss your hat into the ring** is to decide to run for office.
- A politician** is an officeholder or person who would like to hold a political office.
- The swing vote** is made up of those people who have not made up their minds but could "swing," or decide the outcome, of an election.
- To register** is to list your name and political party so you will have the right to vote.
- An incumbent** is a person who is already in office and may be up for re-election.
- RE-ELECT SAM!**
- A political party** is a group of people who try to win elections so they can run the government. Most U.S. voters are either Democrats or Republicans. Other parties are called "third parties."
- To take a poll** is to ask questions to find out how voters feel about candidates and issues or problems the country faces.
- Qualifications** for voting or running are rules that say how old you must be and how long you must have lived in an area before you can either vote or run for office.
- A ballot** is a list of candidates. An **absentee ballot** is one that is mailed in by a voter who is going to be away from home on Election Day. A ballot listing candidates can also be called a **ticket** or a **slate**.
- A polling place** is where people vote in private, by secret ballot.

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It's fun to learn phonics, or the way letters sound. This week's target sound is the one made by the SM blend, as in the word **smoke**.

Q: Mary had a little lamb, as dirty as a dog. I asked her how it got that way —
A: She simply answered, "Smog!"

Q: What is gray and puts out forest fires?
A: Smokey the elephant!

Q: Why do TV announcers have small hands?
A: They have wee paws for identification breaks!

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

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- Shake well.
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BASSET BROWN™ THE NEWS HOUND'S POLITICS TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of politics are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: POLITICS, SYMBOL, PARTY, DEMOCRAT, SPEECHES, REPUBLICAN, CANDIDATES, OFFICE, CAMPAIGN, PEOPLE, RUN, WIN, BALLOT, SLATE, POLL, ASK.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy is giving an election speech. See if you can find:

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- ice skate
- letter C
- candle
- feather
- toothbrush
- ruler
- shoe
- letter H
- lima bean
- word MINI
- paintbrush
- number 8
- baseball
- heart
- letter T
- firecracker

Hold a School Election

DEMOCRATIC **REPUBLICAN**

- The class divides into two groups, Republicans and Democrats. If some voters don't want to belong to either party, they can start a third party and might call themselves Independents.
- Each group holds a meeting or convention and selects, or nominates, the candidate of its choice. The person nominated for president selects a vice president to run with him or her on the ticket, or slate.
- Each candidate has a chance to make a speech about how he or she feels about certain issues and why he or she should be elected. You might even hold a debate.
- Each voter registers, giving the name, address, age and political party choice. However, each voter can vote for any candidate he or she wishes.
- Ballots are made for the voters to mark. Polling places are set up, with the date and hours for voting.
- Polling judges are selected to see that things at the polls run smoothly. The judges count, or tally, the votes and announce the winner.

ELECTION BALLOT

DEMOCRAT
 REPUBLICAN
 INDEPENDENT

TO DO: Lock through your newspaper for news of the election. Next week, find out more about how the presidential election works.

Meet Some Candidates

Here are a few facts about the two major-party candidates running on the Democratic and Republican tickets. A ticket is a list of candidates.

The Democratic ticket For president:

Al Gore (1948-)
Al Gore's father, Albert Gore Sr., was a U.S. senator from Tennessee. His mother, Pauline, was a lawyer. Gore graduated with a degree in government from Harvard University in 1969. He then enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam. When he returned home to Tennessee, he worked as a reporter and went to divinity school (to study religion). Next he went to law school. In 1976 he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. In 1984, he was elected to the U.S. Senate. He became vice president in 1992.

For vice president:
Joseph Lieberman (1942-)
Joseph Lieberman graduated from Yale University and Yale Law School. He served for 10 years in the Connecticut state Senate. He also spent some time in private law practice and as assistant dean at the School of Art and Architecture at Yale. He later served as Connecticut's attorney general. He has written five books about public service. He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1988.

The Republican ticket For president:

George W. Bush (1946-)
George W. Bush's father, George H.W. Bush, was president of the United States from 1989 to 1993. His mother, Barbara Bush, served as first lady. George W. Bush has a bachelor's degree from Yale University and a master's degree in business from Harvard Business School. He was a pilot in the Texas Air National Guard. He worked in the oil and gas business in Midland, Texas. He was a part-owner of the Texas Rangers baseball team. He was elected governor of Texas in 1994 and re-elected in 1998.

For vice president:
Dick Cheney (1941-)
Dick Cheney graduated from the University of Wyoming. He served on the White House staff when Richard Nixon was president. He also served as chief of staff for President Gerald Ford. He was elected in 1978 to the U.S. House of Representatives from Wyoming. He later served as U.S. secretary of defense during the Gulf War. He left his job as the head of a big oil drilling company to run for vice president.

The candidates' wives and families

Al Gore's wife, Tipper. The Gores have three daughters and one son, and one grandchild.

Joseph Lieberman's wife, Madessah. The Liebermans have two daughters and two sons, and two grandchildren.

George Bush's wife, Laura. The Bushes have two daughters.

Dick Cheney's wife, Lynne. The Cheneys have two daughters and three grandchildren.

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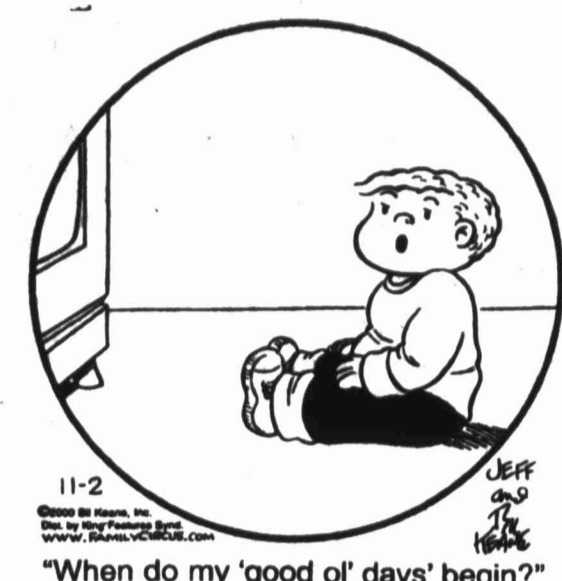
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| 6:30 | News (CC) | Conroy (CC) | Wishbone | Early Edition | News (CC) | News (CC) | News (CC) | Fresh Prince | Louise de | Movie: Johnny | Marital Law | Shining | You Can | Deliver (CC) | GLC Roundup | Law & Order | Wild Discovery | Prisoner | Learning Cl. | | | | |
| 7:30 | Whose Line? | Surprise | Life of Birds | Garth Brooks | 48 Hours (CC) | Whose Line? | Friends (CC) | (56) Movie: The Quick | Mujeres | 18 Wheels of | Justice (CC) | Movie: Dis- | Inside the NFL | Movie: Pro- | Biography | On the Inside | NBA | Paramedics | | | | | |
| 8:30 | Be a Millionaire | Mystery (CC) | Central Park | City of Angels | Be a Millionaire | Will & Grace | and the Dead | Laberinto de | P.L.U.K.S. | Significant | Movie: Pet | Movie: Extra- | Ruin American | Movie: Bat 21 | Investigative | Science | NBA | Secrets of For- | | | | | |
| 9:30 | PrimeTime Thursday | Mad Abt. You | Story of the | Early Edition | Diagnosis | PrimeTime | ER (CC) | Movie: Spaw- | El Gran | Garbage- | Movie: (45) | Movie: (45) | G-String | Law & Order | Justice Files | Movie: Jaws | Paramedics | | | | | | |
| 10:30 | News (CC) | Jerry Springer | News-Lehrer | 700 Club (CC) | News (35) | News (CC) | News (35) | P. Impacto | Picking Field | Marital Law | The Sorcerer | Movie: (45) | G-String | Law & Order | Justice Files | Movie: Jaws | Paramedics | | | | | | |
| 11:30 | Politically Inc. | Blind Date | Battlefield | Who's Boss? | Show (CC) | Ent. Tonight | Show (CC) | Movie: The | Viviana a la | Zorro | Amer. Shooter | Movie: (25) | Movie: (25) | Movie: (25) | Movie: (25) | Movie: (25) | Movie: (25) | Movie: (25) | | | | | |
| 12:30 | Paid Program | Judge-Brown | Paid Program | Show (CC) | (12:00) Oprah | Night (CC) | Quick and the | Te Sigo | Wal Disney | Best-Outdoors | Black Circle | Red Shoe | Movie: Twin | GLC Roundup | Hospital | Movie: Orca | Secrets of For- | | | | | | |

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

Today is Thursday, Nov. 2, the 307th day of 2000. There are 59 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 2, 1948, President Truman surprised the experts by being re-elected in a narrow upset over Republican challenger Thomas E. Dewey.

On this date:

In 1783, Gen. George Washington issued his "Farewell Address to the Army" near Princeton, N.J.

In 1795, the 11th president of the United States, James K. Polk, was born in Mecklenburg County, N.C.

In 1865, the 29th president of the United States, Warren G. Harding, was

born near Corsica, Ohio.

In 1889, North Dakota and South Dakota became the 39th and 40th states.

In 1920, radio station KDKA in Pittsburgh broadcast returns from the Harding-Cox presidential election.

In 1930, Haile Selassie was crowned emperor of Ethiopia.

In 1959, game show contestant Charles Van Doren admitted to a House subcommittee that he'd been given questions and answers in advance when he appeared on the NBC TV program "21."

In 1963, South Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem was assassinated in a military coup.

In 1979, black militant Joanne Chesimard escaped from a New Jersey prison, where she'd been serving a life sentence for the 1973 slaying of a New Jersey

state trooper. (Chesimard, who has since taken the name Assata Shakur, now lives in Cuba.)

In 1994, a jury in Pensacola, Fla., convicted Paul Hill of murder for the shotgun slayings of an abortion provider and his bodyguard; Hill was sentenced to death.

Ten years ago: The White House announced that President Bush planned to spend Thanksgiving with American soldiers in Saudi Arabia.

Five years ago: A man claiming to have a bomb hijacked a school bus with 13 learning-disabled children aboard, leading authorities around Miami-area highways for an hour and a half before being fatally shot by police. The United States expelled Daiwa Bank Limited for allegedly covering up \$1.1 billion in trading losses.

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

ACROSS

- McGregor of "Emma"
- Warbled
- Lyric poem
- "I Know How He Feels" singer
- Son of Isaac
- Assassinated Israeli leader
- Three forts
- Birthplace of St. Francis
- Japanese volcano
- Mediocre grades
- Of the breastbone
- 2nd-year student
- Glacial flow
- Some kin
- Annex
- Frosted
- Doughy pastry
- Two forts
- Ship to remember
- Withhold
- Tarzan Ron
- Bread choice
- Razor sharpener
- Biblical beginning
- Persian governors
- Butter sub
- Yellow or Black
- del Fuego
- Three forts
- Bay
- Spicy stew
- Sound quality
- Intimate
- Viewed
- Table scraps

DOWN

- Bombard and others
- Littlest liddle
- Degrade
- Low points
- Almost a desert
- Trojans of collegiate sports
- Okinawa seaport
- Conjecture
- Fumble
- Work's reward
- Orchestra member
- Frightful
- Tips
- Feudal serf
- Whistle time
- Entwined
- Tuscany city
- Daughter of Ops
- Ice-cream container
- Organic compound
- Lolita-ish
- \$\$ dispensers
- Clock face
- 602
- Things to avoid
- All-inclusive glance
- Require
- Spiral motion
- Lucy's hubby
- Singer Redding
- Magic word
- Peter and Franco
- Zeal
- News medium
- Jazzy woodwinds
- Japanese sashes
- Fast time
- Singer Fitzgerald
- Ready, willing and
- Legendary Giant Mel
- Abandon the truth

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| <p>PICKUPS 2000 GMC SIERRA Z-71, 4-wheel drive, loaded, reg. cab, shortbed, V-8. \$25,000, 46,000 miles. Call 270-4253 after 6:30 985-3460.</p> | <p>PERSONAL NEED CASH NOW OPEN E-Z CASH of Big Spring Checking Acct. Required 263-4315</p> | <p>NEEDED 63 PEOPLE to lose up to 30 lbs. by 11-26-00. Brand New! Just patented! Doctor approved! I lost 23 lbs. in 1 month. 1-888-397-3645.</p> | <p>WORK FROM HOME Need Overweight People to lose 20 - 400 lbs. Earn Excellent Income www.all-about-nutrition.com</p> | <p>CORNELL CORRECTIONS Is seeking General Maintenance Foreman with work experience in carpentry, masonry, plumbing, AC/heating, & mechanical/electrical repair. Starting pay \$8.92. Apply in person 8-11 or 1-4pm M-F 1701 Apron Dr. Human Resources Dept. No phone calls please. EOE M/F/V/D.</p> | <p>Salary is commensurate to experience and a full benefit package is available. Only qualified applicants need apply to the Personnel Office of Covenant Malone & Hogan Clinic, 1501 West 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720 or fax resume to 915-264-7019.</p> | <p>For more information, apply in person: Big Spring, 1401 W I-20 915-263-1200 Stanton, 708 N Lamesa Hwy 915-756-3900 Email: jobs@tbollweevil.org Website: www.tbollweevil.org Equal Opportunity Employer COTTON...A TEXAS TRADITION</p> | <p>Excellent benefit package includes safety bonus, fuel bonus, 401(k) plan with dollar for dollar matching up to 6%, nine paid holidays, vacation leave, medical/dental insurance, life insurance, disability insurance, and education reimbursement. Fax resume to (915) 684-3340 or mail to Tammy Chaney, Western Container Corporation, 15 Smith Rd, Suite 600, Midland, TX 79705. Email to jseidenberger@yahoo.com</p> | <p>DRIVING CAREERS START HERE We need over 300 drivers now. No experience and no experience needed. We represent over 40 National Companies. You choose. Tuition Assist. avail. for inexperience. CDL Drivers 1-800-994-2896 CERTIFIED FIREFIGHTER The City of Big Spring is conducting a civil service entrance exam for the position of certified firefighter on Saturday December 16, 2000. Qualified applicants must be at least 18 but under 35 years of age, must have a high school diploma or equivalent and hold a basic firefighter certificate to apply and obtain further information contact the personnel dept. at 310 Nolan, Big Spring, TX 79720 or call 915-264-2346. Applications accepted until Monday December 11, 2000. The City of Big Spring is an Equal Opportunity Employer.</p> |
| <p>HELP WANTED Nursing staff needed at Mitchell county hospital. Needed: RN for 3-11 shift and 11-7 shift, LVN for all shifts. Competitive salary and good benefits. Contact JoAnn Merkel, R.N. D.O.N. at (915)728-3431 est. 266 or 232.</p> | <p>HELP WANTED Have a Computer? Put it to work! \$25-\$100/hr PT/FT 1-888-876-5783 www.reach4theskye.com</p> | <p>Key Energy Service Co. Stanton Tx is seeking experienced Truck Drivers. Also need mechanic. Clean Class A CDL drivers license preferred, but will train qualified applicants. Benefits included. Call for more info. 8-5 M-F 915-756-2875.</p> | <p>BIG SPRING STATE HOSPITAL IS NOW OFFERING ALTERNATIVE SHIFTS FOR REGISTERED NURSES. 3 days on, 4 days off (2) 16 hour shifts (1) 8 hour shift Also offering 12 hour shifts Quarters furnished BSSH offers great benefits, has on site daycare and is a mother friendly workplace Salary DOE For more information please contact the Human Resources office at (915) 268-7260 Equal Opportunity Employer For information please call the Human Resources office at 268-7256 Equal Opportunity Employer</p> | <p>The Big Spring Herald is looking for a person to join our editorial staff. General Assignment Reporter - An entry level position. Successful applicant will have strong writing, spelling and typing skills. Knowledge of Big Spring and surrounding area a plus. The Herald offers an excellent benefits package. Please send resume and clips to John A. Mosely, Managing Editor, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Tx. or schedule an interview, call 263-7331. The Herald is an equal opportunity employer and provides a drug-free workplace.</p> | <p>MAINTENANCE POSITION AVAILABLE The Colorado River Municipal Water District, immediate opening for a maintenance worker for Lake Thomas Area. A CDL license and mechanical experience helpful. Company benefits include paid vacation, sick leave, retirement plan, group insurance and paid holidays. The District is an equal opportunity employer. Applications are available at the District's office at 400 E. 24th St., Big Spring, TX or call (915) 267-6341</p> | <p>Maintenance Position Available Excellent benefit package includes safety bonus, fuel bonus, 401(k) plan with dollar for dollar matching up to 6%, nine paid holidays, vacation leave, medical/dental insurance, life insurance, disability insurance, and education reimbursement. Fax resume to (915) 684-3340 or mail to Tammy Chaney, Western Container Corporation, 15 Smith Rd, Suite 600, Midland, TX 79705. Email to jseidenberger@yahoo.com</p> | <p>Apply in person at 2900 N. Hwy 87. EOE</p> | <p>Pool Well Service is looking for experienced well service hands. Benefits and good pay. Apply in person at 2900 N. Hwy 87. EOE</p> |
| <p>CENTRAL SCHEDULING POSITION OPENING Applicants need the following: Ability to handle multiple tasks, excellent attention to details, excellent customer service skills, prior experience in the Healthcare Field preferred.</p> | <p>Please contact Robbi Banks @ 915-268-4961. Send resumes to: Scenic Mountain Medical Center 1601 W. 11th. Place Big Spring, TX 79720 Fax: 915-268-4969 email: robbibanks@yahoo.com</p> | <p>Tube tester, derrick hand/operator needed. Good wages, will train, person w/oil field experience. Must pass drug test & have good driving record. Call Jesse 263-2839 anytime.</p> | | | | | | |

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The Mini Page

By BETTY DEBNAM

Polly Ticks' Guide for Kids

Election Talk

ELECTION DAY IS NOV. 7TH!

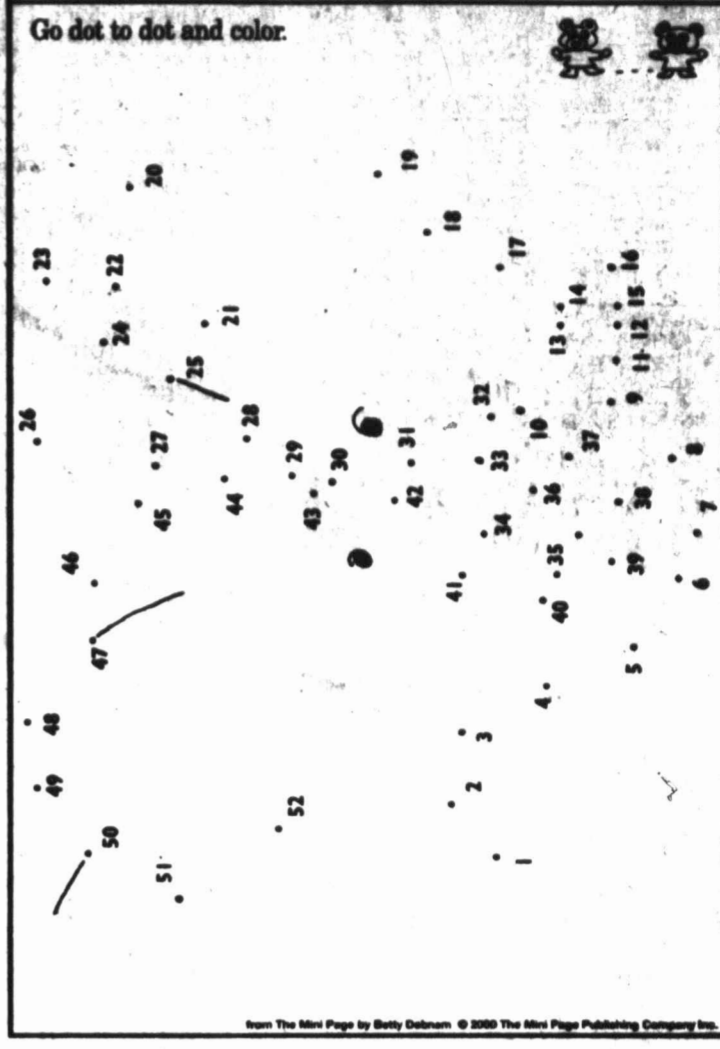
- The Mini Page asked our political expert, Polly Ticks, to help us understand some of the words voters and candidates have been using during this election season.**
 - To run for office** is to campaign, or make speeches and try to get people to vote for you.
 - To toss your hat into the ring** is to decide to run for office.
 - A politician** is an officeholder or person who would like to hold a political office.
- The swing vote** is made up of those people who have not made up their minds but could "swing," or decide the outcome, of an election.
- To register** is to list your name and political party so you will have the right to vote.
- An incumbent** is a person who is already in office and may be up for re-election.

RE-ELECT SAM!

- A political party** is a group of people who try to win elections so they can run the government. Most U.S. voters are either Democrats or Republicans. Other parties are called "third parties."
- To take a poll** is to ask questions to find out how voters feel about candidates and issues or problems the country faces.
- Qualifications for voting or running** are rules that say how old you must be and how long you must have lived in an area before you can either vote or run for office.
- A ballot** is a list of candidates. An **absentee ballot** is one that is mailed in by a voter who is going to be away from home on Election Day. A ballot listing candidates can also be called a **ticket** or a **slate**.
- A polling place** is where people vote in private, by secret ballot.

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The Presidents of the United States Poster is an attractive, educational reference for home and classroom use. It features reproductions of engraved portraits of each of the presidents, including Bill Clinton, shown in chronological order along with the dates they held office. To order, send check or money order for \$3 plus 75¢ postage and handling per copy, payable to Andrews McNeil Publishing, P.O. Box 419943, Kansas City, Mo. 64141.



MIGHTY FUNNY'S Funny Phonics

It's fun to learn phonics, or the way letters sound. This week's target sound is the one made by the **SM** blend, as in the word **smoke**.

Q: Mary had a little lamb, as dirty as a dog. I asked her how it got that way -
A: She simply answered, "Smog!"

Q: What is gray and puts out forest fires?
A: Smokey the elephant!

Q: Why do TV announcers have small hands?
A: They have wee paws for identification breaks!

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

Rookie Cookie's Recipe

Fancy French Salad Dressing

You'll need:

- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon mustard
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1 clove garlic
- 1 cup olive oil
- 1/4 cup vinegar

What to do:

- Place all ingredients in a 1-quart jar with a lid.
- Shake well.
- Refrigerate until ready to use. Makes about 1 1/2 cups.

Hold a School Election

VOTE DEMOCRATIC **VOTE REPUBLICAN**

- The class divides into two groups, Republicans and Democrats. If some voters don't want to belong to either party, they can start a third party and might call themselves Independents.
- Each group holds a meeting or convention and selects, or nominates, the candidate of its choice. The person nominated for president selects a vice president to run with him or her on the ticket, or slate.
- Each candidate has a chance to make a speech about how he or she feels about certain issues and why he or she should be elected. You might even hold a debate.

Mary White - Age 8 - 205 7th St. Democrat
Jim Jones - Age 9 - 1600 8th St. Republican

Meet Some Candidates

Here are a few facts about the two major-party candidates running on the Democratic and Republican tickets. A ticket is a list of candidates.

The Democratic ticket For president:

Al Gore (1948)
Al Gore's father, Albert Gore Sr., was a U.S. senator from Tennessee. His mother, Pauline, was a lawyer. Gore graduated with a degree in government from Harvard University in 1969. He then enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam. When he returned home to Tennessee, he worked as a reporter and went to divinity school (to study religion). Next he went to law school. In 1976 he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. In 1984, he was elected to the U.S. Senate. He became vice president in 1992.

For vice president:

Joseph Lieberman (1942)
Joseph Lieberman graduated from Yale University and Yale Law School. He served for 10 years in the Connecticut state Senate. He also spent some time in private law practice and as assistant dean at the School of Art and Architecture at Yale. He later served as Connecticut's attorney general. He has written five books about public service. He was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1988.

The Republican ticket For president:

George W. Bush (1946)
George W. Bush's father, George H.W. Bush, was president of the United States from 1989 to 1993. His mother, Barbara Bush, served as first lady. George W. Bush has a bachelor's degree from Yale University and a master's degree in business from Harvard Business School. He was a pilot in the Texas Air National Guard. He worked in the oil and gas business in Midland, Texas. He was a part-owner of the Texas Rangers baseball team. He was elected governor of Texas in 1994 and re-elected in 1998.

For vice president:

Dick Cheney (1941)
Dick Cheney graduated from the University of Wyoming. He served on the White House staff when Richard Nixon was president. He also served as chief of staff for President Gerald Ford. He was elected in 1978 to the U.S. House of Representatives from Wyoming. He later served as U.S. secretary of defense during the Gulf War. He left his job as the head of a big oil drilling company to run for vice president.

BASSETT BROWN THE NEWS HOUND'S POLITICS TRY 'N FIND

Words that remind us of politics are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: POLITICS, SYMBOL, PARTY, DEMOCRAT, SPEECHES, REPUBLICAN, CANDIDATES, OFFICE, CAMPAIGN, PEOPLE, RUN, WIN, BALLOT, SLATE, POLL, ASK.

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Mini Spy ...

Mini Spy is giving an election speech. See if you can find:

- football
- ice skate
- letter C
- candle
- feather
- toothbrush
- ruler
- shoe
- letter H
- lima bean
- word MINI
- paintbrush
- number 8
- baseball
- heart
- letter T
- firecracker

4. Each voter registers, giving the name, address, age and political party choice. However, each voter can vote for any candidate he or she wishes.

5. Ballots are made for the voters to mark. Polling places are set up, with the date and hours for voting.

6. Polling judges are selected to see that things at the polls run smoothly. The judges count, or tally, the votes and announce the winner.

To do: Look through your newspaper for news of the election.

Next week, find out more about how the presidential election works.

The candidates' wives and families

Al Gore's wife, Tipper. The Gores have three daughters and one son, and one grandchild.

Joseph Lieberman's wife, Madrasah. The Liebermans have two sons, and two grandchildren.

George Bush's wife, Laura. The Bushes have two daughters.

Dick Cheney's wife, Lynne. The Cheneys have two daughters and three grandchildren.

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