#### MONDAY

August 6, 2001

WEATHER



TOMORROW 77°-80° 99°-101°

### **Bivins slated** as Tuesday's Rotary speaker

State Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, will be the featured speaker at noon Tuesday when the Big Spring Rotary Club meets in the East Room at Garrett Dorothy Coliseum.

Big Spring and Howard County will be moved Bivins' 31st into Senatorial District under the redistricting plan approved Legislative Redistricting Board in late July.

### Registration at HC moved

Fall registration began this morning at Howard College.

Registration is being conducted in the college's administration building instead of Dorothy Garrett Coliseum where it has taken place in the

### WHAT'S UP. MONDAY

□ District Committee Lone Star of Big Spring meets at noon at 610 Scurry.

☐ Senior Circle meets at 4 p.m., at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Sit and Be Fit Chair Aerobics. People 50 and older are invited to participate.

☐ Big Spring Evening Lions Club meets at 6:30 p.m. 1607 East Third.

☐ Gospel Singing at 7 p.m., Kentwood Center. 2805 Lynn. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City.

☐ Howard County ARC meets at 806 E. Third at the Bingo Hall. Call 264-0674 for more information.

Big Spring Chapter and Council RAM meets at 7:30 p.m,. at the Masonic Building, 221 1/2 Main.

#### TUESDAY ☐ Intermediate Line

Dance class, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center. ☐ Coahoma Senior Citizens luncheon, 11 a.m., Coahoma

Community Center. ☐ Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon.

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# Aggie Scholarship Auction slated for Friday night

Staff Writer

The Howard County A&M Club's second annual Aggie Scholarship Auction will be held Friday at the La Posada Restaurant to raise money for scholarships the organization bestows on deserving local students.

Festivities will start at 6 p.m. with cocktails and hors d'oevres. The Aggie auction will start at 7 p.m.

A number of door prizes

out the evening. Admission for the fundraiser is \$5 per person. However, this year, there is a catch — a new Aggie tradition. Those who don't wear maroon or white will pay an extra \$5 at the

"This auction is not just for the Aggies, it is for anyone who wants to come," explained Linda Luce, a member of the A&M Club's auction committee. "The sports fans should love this,

Aggie fan."

Auction items for the sports lover will include autographed memorabilia by Michael Jordan, Arnold Palmer, Roger Staubach, Evander Holyfield and Mike

Among the music items to be auctioned are autographed albums by Elton John, Rod Stewart, Kenny Rogers, Tanya Tucker and the Eagles.

Items of interest to Aggies

tickets for two to all Texas A&M home football games including dates against the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame University and the Aggies annual showdown arch-rival the with University of Texas

Longhorns. Other Items will include A&M memorabilia, paintings from many local artists and a wine tour of Messina Hof Wines in Bryan.

"We (club members) are

will be given away through- and the music fans or the and Aggie fans will include very pleased with Big Spring," Nicklasch, the club's president. "Many business people have donated items ... even those that aren't even Aggies. It's so great to see that people want to get these kids to school.'

A special guest will also appear. Reveille VII, the famous mascot of Texas A&M, and her handler will be on hand for the event.

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# CRMWD officials say low lake levels nothing new, but concern is growing

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

Lake levels in West Texas may be low, but it's nothing the area hasn't faced before. according to Colorado River Municipal Water District general manager John Grant.

"Since we started the district, we've never had to ration water, knock on wood," Grant said. "We're not going to this summer. We'll re-evaluate over the winter and decide if we need to do it next summer."

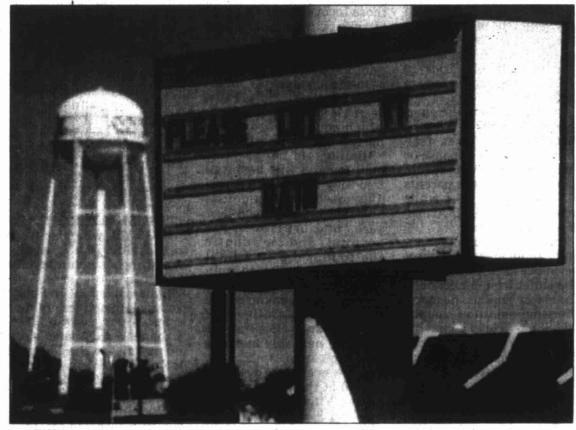
The CRMWD provides raw water to its member cities — Big Spring, Odessa and Snyder — and to Midland, San Angelo and Stanton on a contract basis. Most of the water comes from three lakes controlled by the district, Lake J.B. Thomas and the E.V. Spence and O.H. Ivie reser-

from well fields in Ward

All told, the lakes contained about 360,000 acrefeet of water as of Friday afternoon. An acre-foot is a volume of water an acre in area and one foot deep, equal to 325,851 gallons, Grant said. The district delivers about 75,000 acrefeet of water to the cities each year.

Evaporation is a big problem in West Texas, Grant said.

"We just have higher evaporation rates here in West Texas," he said, noting that about as much



A small portion comes The message placed on the message board below Furr's Cafeteria's sign expresses the wishes of virtually every resident of the Crossroads Area. While flooding from Tropical **Storm Barry threatens the southeastern United States, West** drought conditions and bake in the summer sun.

water evaporates from the district's lakes each year as it delivers to the cities.

"If it doesn't rain, we'll run out of water in about two years," he said. "But when the district was formed in the late '40s, you could have said if it didn't rain in two or three years, the lakes would have gone dry. When we got Ivie, you could have said if it didn't rain in three or four years, the lakes would have gone

ration water because it's always rained."

Grant said the system is dependent upon rainfall.

"There are no springs that really feed the upper Colorado River above our system," he said. "Well, there are a few, but the water we have in our lakes is rainwater."

On average, May and June provide the heaviest rainfall of the year, he said. "Beginning in May or in dry. But we've never had to June. Sometimes it will off into our lakes."

spill over into early July,' he said. "It just did not happen this year."

Grant said the type of rain needed to replenish the lakes is different from the slow, soaking rains that farmers like to see.

"What the district needs in terms of what will benefit us is the real hard rains that produce runoff," he said. "When the ground gets saturated, then we start seeing the water run

# **Home**

# New wing providing protected conditions

By ROGER CLINE

Staff Writer

About six months after opening its doors, Big Spring's Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home opened its planned wing for residents with Alzheimer's disease and other memory-affecting disorders.

The new unit accounts for 32 of the home's 160 beds and will provide features tailored to Alzheimer's patients, said Mike Larson, administrator of the home. The home currently houses 27 veterans, six of whom live in the "secured wing." he added.

"It allows free roam and free wandering," Larson "There is a cer activities area visible from the nursing station. They can also go out any door they want because they all lead into a secure courtyard designed for roaming. It has a lot of winding sidewalks and things.'

Larson said the main entrance to the wing is secured by a security keypad for the patients' protec-

Ratios of staff members to patients are also much higher in the new wing, he

"These folks just require more attention," Larson said. "We can accommodate that in a small unit as opposed to the whole building."

Land Commissioner David Dewhurst is also chairman of the Veteran's Land Board which oversees the four Texas State Veterans Homes statewide.

"We want our residents to

# BSISD registration sessions slated to start Friday

**Herald Staff Report** 

Big Spring The **Independent School District** has scheduled registration for returning students in the first through eighth grades begins Friday and students should register at the school they attend.

Hours of registration will be 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Friday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 13; and 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 14.

Students new to the district entering kindergarten through fifth grade also reg-

ister during this time. Registration will continue through Aug. 14.

Parents must sign the registration cards and parents of kindergartners, as well of those of first grade students who did not attend a Texas kindergarten, should bring

cate and immunization

Registration for students new to the district in grades six through 12 continues through Friday. Students can register at Goliad Elementary, Big Spring

records to registration.

# BSSH officials claim they're not interested in banning smoking

LINDY BARR Staff Writer

According to studies, people that are mentally ill are twice as likely to smoke cigarettes. Because of that reason, state hospitals around Texas are banning smoking.

The state hospital in Vichita Falls, North Texas State Hospital, and Vernon State Hospital have banned smoking on campus. Some experts support the ban, citing that smoking increases the metabolism of patients. Others say it interferes with their medication.

On the other hand, some contend that smoking is soothing for those suffering

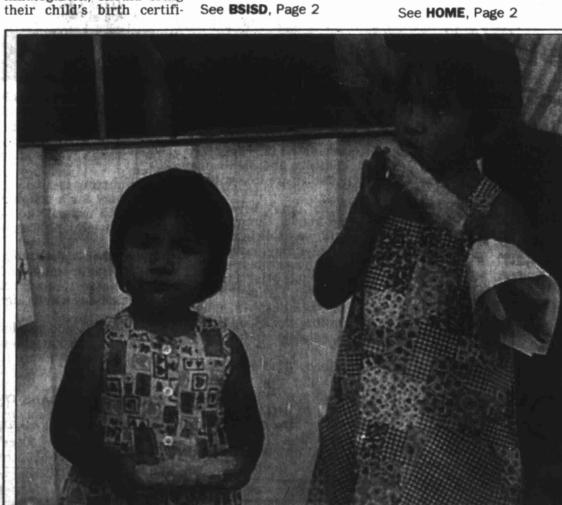
from a mental illness. "We are more concerned about getting the patients out on their own, there are a few more important things to consider when it comes down to it," Ed

Moughon, the CEO of Big Spring State Hospital, said when asked about the subject. "Seventy percent of our patients go home in less than a month, so we really try to focus on that part."

According to Moughon, Big Spring State Hospital doesn't promote smoking, however, and provides patients with other options. BSSH officials offer classes for smokers that are trying to quit, and they also offer nicotine patches to the patients.

The hospital offers six classes on smoking cessa-

"It's basically a support group for patients that are trying to stop smoking," Moughon noted. "They are taught how to quit and they really support each other. The class is provided by the American Cancer Society."



Three-year-old Magdalene Medina and 5-year-old Alexandra Medina enjoy eating corn-onthe cob at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church summer festival Saturday night. Thousands came to the two-day event that included dancing, games and food.

### Henry Edwards Sr.

Funeral service for Henry Edwards Sr., 50, of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Edwards Sr., died Saturday, Aug. 4, 2001.

### **BSISD**

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Junior High and Big Spring High School from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Registration for GED classes will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday and Friday, Aug. 16-17, at the Personalized Achievement Center located at 421 Main Street.

Limited space in GED classes is available and students will be served on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Potential GED students will be tested and must meet a minimum grade level to be enrolled.

School officially begins on

### **AUCTION**

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There will be an opportunity to have a picture made with Reveille VII. Greenhouse Photography will be taking 5x7 pictures for \$25.

According to Nicklasch, half the money from the picture sales will go back into the scholarship fund.

"Greenhouse Photography, has been great about this, they just keep the money they need to take the pictures, it's great that they will put the rest into the fund," he said.

"We really want to stress that we want everyone to come, and you don't have to be an Aggie," Nicklasch added. "We just want people to come and support the kids."

### **BSSH**

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Patients that come into the hospital are allowed to purchase cigarettes on campus, but they are not allowed to have matches or cigarette lighters.

Patients are not permitted to smoke inside the buildings, but there are designated areas for them to smoke outside. Since the patients are not allowed to have matches or lighters, they are provided with electric lighters outside. To light a cigarette, patients push a button on a wall and a metal coil lights up, like an automobile's cigarette lighter.

Employees that are smokers are not allowed to smoke with any of the patients.

"We don't want any of the patients to think that the employees are influencing them," said Moughon. "One side of the story is, 'Is it their right to smoke?' You

### **MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME** & CHAPEL

267-8288



ww.npwelch.com Henry Neal Edwards, Sr., 50, died Saturday.

Services are pending.

know, these people come in here and they have the right to use the telephone, they have the right to vote and the right to get mail, why would they not have the right to smoke? Where does the patient's rights end?"

Right now, all state hospitals have the right to choose if they want to ban smoking or not.

"So far we have not filed a plan, and you never know, maybe in a year we will, but right now we are not considering it," Moughon explained. "If we have to ban smoking then we will."

### HOME

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receive dignified, state-ofthe-art care, and we want them to be safe," Dewhurst said. "There's great demand for homes specializing in Alzheimer's care, and we're delighted to be of service."

To be admitted to the home, a person must:

- Be a veteran
- Require long-term care · Be at least 18 years old
- Be a resident of Texas · Either have been a resident of Texas at the time they entered military service, or have been a resident of Texas for at least a year immediately prior to applying for admission to the home.

· Not have been dishonorably discharged.

Additionally, Texas residents who are the spouse or unmarried surviving spouse of a veteran, or the parents of children who died while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces are eligible.

To be admitted to the new unit, applicants must meet the above requirements and also suffer from Alzheimer's disease or another memoryaffecting condition, Larson

For more information call the Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez **Texas State Veterans Home** at 268-VETS.

### Death may be linked to possible hospital lab seat children in test error

PHILADELPHIA (AP) -Nearly six weeks after the death of a retired South Philadelphia barber, a letter arrived at his home warning of a possible hospital laboratory error affecting the dosage of his bloodthinning medication.

Louis Vitello's widow, Carmella, said hospital officials from St. Agnes Medical Center, who visited her the same day, told her that her husband probably died as a result of the error.

"I'm shattered," Carmella Vitello said Sunday. "You hear that they made that mistake with your husband, and it wasn't a natural death. I was so shocked, really.'

The city medical examiner's office is investigating five deaths that hospital officials said may have been linked to the laboratory mistake. Philadelphia Department of Public Health spokesman Jeff Moran said it may be weeks

before results are released. The state Department of Health and the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services also are investigat-

vitello has hired a lawyer, Marvin Lundy, who said he was talking with others who may have been affected by the test error about possible legal action.

Catherine Hines, 75, of South Philadelphia, who was taking the blood-thinning medication following a mitral valve replacement, has already filed a lawsuit. She alleges that she suffered massive internal bleeding as a result of the error, her attorney, Aaron

Freiwald, said Friday. Hospital officials, however, defended their response to the crisis.



#### After the error was discovered on July 25, "we spent most if not all of the first 24 hours notifying patients and doctors, Richard F. Afable, chief medical officer of Catholic Health East, told The Philadelphia Inquirer for a

story Sunday. Afable didn't respond to messages left at his home seeking comment Sunday.

He said the mistake resulted from a "system failure" in the hospital's lab, and was "not a case where disciplinary action was necessary."

Officials at the hospital have said 932 patients may have received incorrect doses of the anticoagulant medication Coumadin between June 4 and July 25, because of a laboratory miscalculation that gave incorrect blood-thickness data.

Vitello said her husband had taken Coumadin for the last seven years after undergoing heart valve and bypass surgery. She said they were accustomed to monitoring the dosage carefully with biweekly and sometimes weekly tests.

The blood-thinning drug is given to patients such as those recovering from heart attacks or heart surgery to prevent blood clots that could cause a stroke or another heart attack. The dose must be closely monitored to avoid too great a decrease in clotting ability, which could lead to bruising or internal bleeding.

Vitello said her 89-yearold husband was hospitalized May 29 with what was diagnosed as pneumonia. She said he developed bedsores and bruises in the hospital, and on June 18 she found him in a fetal position. A CAT scan indicated bleeding in his brain and he was transferred to the Medical College of Pennsylvania Hospital. He died the next day and was buried on June 23.

"He was already dead and buried at the time I got the letter," Vitello said.

# Study says one-third of parents still front seat of car

DETROIT (AP) - Nearly a third of drivers with children in their vehicles allow the children to ride in the front seat despite warnings that it can put them at risk of air bag injuries, a study

The Harvard Center for Risk Analysis looked at government data from 28,000 fatal crashes between 1990 and 1998. It found that the proportion of vehicles carrying children 12 and under in the front seat declined in that period from 42 percent to 31 percent.

While many parents seem to be paying attention to safety messages, study coauthor Eve Wittenberg said many children are still placed at risk. The study was published in the current edition of Pediatrics.

### BRIEFS

THE HOWARD COUNTY A&M Club will be hosting its second annual "Aggie" auction Friday at La Posada, events start at 6 p.m.

The auction is to help raise money for a scholarship fund that will go to students attending Texas A&M.

Autographed sports memoribilla, music items and many donated items from local businesses will be auctioned off.

This event is not just for he "Aggies" anyone who is interested is welcome to

ATTENTION CLASS OF '91. We are looking for lost class mates for this year's reunion. Call Kerri Rodriguez at 263-6100 or Kim Rios at 264-6129.

# DUNLAPS Your Fashion Headquarters

# BIG SPRING ROUND THE TOWN

F O R S A N JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH School will host a sixth grade orientation on Monday, Aug. 13, from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. All incoming sixth graders and their parents are invited to attend.

For information please contact the Forsan Junior/Senior High School office at 457-2223.

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

HANGAR 25 AIR MUSE-UM, located at the McMahon Wrinkle Airpark, will be open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and Sunday 1:30 to 4 p.m. The museum will be

closed on all city holidays.

**BIG SPRING AND SUR-**ROUNDING counties are in critical need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers of the children in the community who have been abused and neglected.

For more information on becoming foster/adoptive families call Children's **Protective Services office at** 263-9669 or 1-800-233-3405.

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

TODAY

•TOPS Club (take off pounds sensibly), weigh-in 5 p.m. and meeting at 6 p.m., College Heights Christian Church, 21st and Goliad.

Freedom, Project Christian support group for survivors of physical/emotional/sexual and/or spiritual abuse. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241 for dates/times of upcoming groups. ·Bereavement Support

Group meets from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Community Care Hospice.

 Narcotics Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Open to all substance abusers.

 Encourager's support group (all widows and widowers are invited) will meet Monday, at 6 p.m. at the Santa Fe Sandwich shop in the Big Spring Mall. For more information call 398-

TUESDAY

 The Greater West Texas Chapter of the Alzheimers Association meets the first Tuesday of each month in the community room of the **Howard County Library at** 2 p.m. Our support groups are for all caregivers of anyone no matter what the disease or disability. All meetings are confidential and are for your support. For more information you can call our office at 264-2397 or go by 501 Runnels (RSVP office).

 Caregivers Night Out, meets every fourth Tuesday every other month from 6 -7:30 p.m. at Community Care Hospice.

 Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-

·Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12

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p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-

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· Home Hospice and Canterbury are sponsoring a new grief support group. It will meet the second Wednesday of each month at 3 p.m. in the community room at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. Call Home Hospice at 264-7599 or come by 600 South Gregg for further details.

 Narcotics Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad. Open to all substance abusers. IF YOU HAVE A SUPPORT

GROUP LISTING, PLEASE SUBMIT IT IN WRITING.

### POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity from 8 a.m. Wednesday until 8 a.m. today:

BURGLARY OF A **HABITATION** was reported in the 1600 block of East 11th Street. The burglary apparently occurred sometime between 6:30 a.m. Friday and 3:30 p.m. Sunday. According to the report, the burglars broke a rear window of the house to gain entry, and then stole about \$2,900 worth of household goods including 72 compact discs, a television and other items. The burglary is still under investi-

gation. AGGRAVATED ASSAULT WITH A DEAD-LY WEAPON was reported in the 600 block of North San Antonio. According to the police report, around 12:30 a.m. Sunday, some people were engaged in an argument at the location when one of them pulled out a handgun and threatened another. No one was injured, and a police spokesman says there is a suspect in the case.

· MARIO GARCIA, 46, address unknown was arrested on a charge of criminal trespassing. · LARRY DEWAYNE

LUTRELL, 33, of Breckenridge was arrested for local warrants. MARTHA MARTINEZ,

38, of 402 Circle St. was arrested on a charge of driving with a suspended license. . THEFT of clothes worth

about \$625 was reported in the 100 block of Northeast Ninth Street. Theft of items worth about \$450 was reported at a home in the 400 block of Circle Street. Theft of \$9 in merchandise was reported at the Wal-Mart Supercenter in the 200 block of West FM 700. Theft of \$50 cash was reported at the BK Exxon in the 800 block of West Interstate 20. Theft of items worth about \$44 was reported at a home in the 400 block of East Fourth St.

 DISTURBANCE/FIGHT was reported in the 300 block of Tulane and the 2900 block of West Highway

 DRAG RACING/RECK-**LESS DRIVING** was reported in the 2300 block of Thorpe LOUD PARTY/NOISE

was arrested in the 1400 block of South Runnels, the 900 block of Highland, the 1200 block of Wood, the 2700 block of Harvard, the 2700 block of Apache Drive, the

500 block of Westover, the 1300 block of Mobile and the 3300 block of West Highway 80.

 SHOTS FIRED was reported in the Moss Lake area, in the 4000 block of Connally and the 700 block of East 11th Place.

 DOMESTIC DISTUR-BANCE was reported in the 1000 block of East 12th, the 1600 block of Robin and the 600 block of Abrahms.

 MINOR ACCIDENTS were reported in the 300 block of South Owens, the 200 block of West FM 700, the 1900 block of East 25th Street, the 1110 block of South Gregg and the 1900 block of Wasson Road.

### FIRE/EMS

The following is a summary of the Big Spring Fire Department and EMS:

12:39 a.m. - 600 block of N. San Antonio, trauma call, one patient transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

1:19 a.m. - 1100 block of N. Lamesa, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

11:21 a.m. - 2000 block of Virginia, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

12:03 p.m. — I-20 mile

marker 167, traffic accident,

one patient transported to SMMC. 12:40 p.m. - 200 block of Merrick Rd., trauma call, one patient transported to

SMMC. 5:18 p.m. — I-20 mile marker 172, traffic accident,

service refused. 10:08 p.m. - 1500 block ofKentucky Way, medical call, one patient transported to SMMC.

# MARKETS

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## RECORDS

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A/C Repair

# Randolph AFB shut down after water contamination found for a second time

SAN ANTONIO (AP) -Water contamination that shut down Randolph Air Force Base was continuing Monday, but military officials were trying to get back on schedule despite a syrupy, crude oil-type substance that first showed up in a well.

The base, which was shut down as the weekend began, had water cut off Sunday for a second time. And the origin of the dark, oily substance found in the base's water supply remains a mystery.

David McKibbin, president of the American Federation of Government Employees Local 1840, didn't agree with the decision to reopen the base. He said if the base reopened Monday with contamination still present, he would file an unfair labor practice grievance with the National Labor Relations

McKibbin cited December agreement in which Randolph officials in an emergency situation, correct the problem.

the base would incorporate input from the union in finding a solution to the problem. He wants a portable toilet for every 15 workers as well as adequate drinking water.

"They didn't do that at all," McKibbin said. "I was called into a meeting at 3:30 p.m. and told what they were going to do. I explained my concerns for my people, and they said they couldn't guarantee what I consider to be a

modest request.". He said workers were ordered to report to work.

"However, if they feel their health and safety is in jeopardy, then they have no choice but to request sick leave," he said. "I consider this to be a big safety and health hazard. An employee, not thinking, could use a water fountain and ingest whatever is in the water."

Brig. Gen. Pete Sutton, commander of the 12th Flying Training Wing, told about 350 residents that and the union agreed that officials were working to

smoker decreases by almost

half. Stroke risk is reduced.

Risk of mouth, throat and

esophageal cancer is half

# Derailed train cars spill toxic chemicals

PINEHURST (AP) - More than 100 families remained out of their homes today after almost two dozen cars of a Burlington Northern Santa Fe train derailed, several tankers spilling hazardous chemicals.

The voluntary evacuation was ordered after the 84-car train en route to Houston from Teague wrecked early Sunday morning.

Twenty-one cars, including many tankers filled with chemicals, derailed and crumpled accordionlike into each other. Railroad investigators will focus on the cause of the crash after leaks have been contained and the wrecked cars are removed from the area.

be completed today, said **Texas Department of Public** Safety Trooper Steve Hargett.

He said acetic anhydride and 2-ethylhexyl acrylate, both chemicals used in making plastics and capable of causing respiratory problems, started leaking from three tankers Sunday. Meat tallow and plastic pellets spilled from other cars, but did not pose a danger.

Both chemicals act as irritants to skin, eyes and the respiratory system, said DPS Sgt. Kevin Pullen. He said monitors were set up to test air quality in the area.

A cleanup was continuing by hazardous material

around a curve about a quarter-mile southeast of Farm-to-Market Road 149 near Magnolia.

"It's not that bad of a curve," Jack Corey, who owns ranch land at the crash site. "But there's a long straightaway carrying them down there, and they get moving pretty good.'

Ten years ago, Burlington Northern train derailed at the same curve, said railroad vice president David Freeman. Thirty cars hurtled off the track, spilling tons of wheat.

Railroad spokesman Jerry Jenkins said that the conductor and engineer, who were unharmed, were tested

The train's engine and a as standard procedure to see number of the cars made it if drinking or drugs were a factor.

Test results were expected later this week.

Hazardous materials experts had worried that a tanker car carrying benzene was leaking, but after constructing a makeshift roadway through the heavily wooded area to the train, they found the chemical had not spilled.

No one was injured and the cause was not yet known, said Cpl. Denise Janeway of the Montgomery

Department. "The front and the rear portions of the train are intact and still on the track," Janeway said.

# Barry moves onshore, hitting Florida Panhandle

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) -Storm Tropical Barry plowed across the Florida Panhandle and Alabama on today, rapidly weakening as it lashed the Gulf Coast with heavy rain and wind that knocked out power and blocked roads.

All hurricane and tropical storm warnings were dropped as the storm moved inland.

"The main thing we're concerned with now is the flooding," said Trisha Wallace, a méteorologist with the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

Barry's maximum sustained wind speed had dropped from near 65 mph to 40 mph, close to the minimum for a tropical storm. and it was expected to continue weakening.

No major damage was Florida state line. reported in Alabama as the core of the storm blew into the state, but residents were warned of the possibility of

flooding and tornadoes. "We're hoping this system will keep moving," said Scott Adcock, a spokesman for the Alabama Emergency Management Agency. He said fallen tree limbs had closed many roads on the

The wind kept Jim Caton awake all night in Andalusia, Ala., which was in the path of the storm.

"We have power lines and trees down. Some very large trees down, and a lot of debris," Caton said.

The storm blacked out more than 37,000 of Gulf Power Co.'s 182,000 Florida customers.

### **Smoking cessation** provides many benefits

Dear Ann Landers: On cancer death rate for aver-May 17, 2001, I celebrated age former pack-a-day my birthday. It also was my

fifth year of freedom from smoking. I credit column, which I read in the Anchorage (Alaska) Daily News. for giving the me incentive to quit. You

printed a let-

attention.

Alaska

**Smokers** 

LANDERS

ter that gave positive infor-

mation instead of the usual

appreciated that and paid

I work for a physician and

keep copies of that column

on hand to give to patients

when they mention they

are trying to quit. I hope

you will print it again. --

The Birthday Girl in

Dear Birthday Girl: Thank

you for letting me know I

helped. Letters such as

yours give me the incentive

to keep on keepin' on.

did it for you. I hope it will

Good News for All Cigarette

You might think it's too

late to quit smoking, but

here is some good news

from the American Cancer

As soon as you snuff out

that last cigarette, your

body will begin a series of

- Within 20 minutes: Blood

pressure, body temperature

and pulse rate will drop to

-- Within eight hours:

Smoker's breath disappears.

The carbon monoxide level

in blood drops, and the oxy-

Within 24 hours: Chance

-- Within 48 hours: Nerve

Ability to taste and smell

- Within three days:

-- Within two to three

improves. Walking becomes

easier. Lung capacity

-- Within one to nine

months: Sinus congestion

and shortness of breath

decrease. Cilia that sweep

debris from your lungs

grow back. Energy increas-

- Within one year: Excess risk of coronary heart dis-

ease is half that of a person

- Within two years: Heart

attack risk drops to near

A/C Repair Service

increases up to 30 percent.

Circulation

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gen level rises to normal.

of heart attack decreases.

Breathing is easier.

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months:

who smokes.

physiological changes.

Here's the column that

work for others as well.

that of a smoker. -- Within 10 years: Lung cancer death rate is similar to that of a person who does not smoke. The precancerous cells are replaced.

-- Within 15 years: Risk of coronary heart disease is the same as a person who has never smoked.

Dear Ann Landers: I have been married to "Alicia" for three years. I was never head-over-heels in love, but came to realize that she has some terrific qualities and would make a wonderful companion. The problem is, Alicia has a facial disfigurement that is a complete turnoff to me. She agreed to have corrective surgery after we were married, but she keeps postponing it. I hate to admit it, but my desire for intimacy disappears as soon as I see her face. Any ideas? -- No Joy in Dixie

Dear No Joy: I hope you can persuade Alicia to talk to someone about her fears. Why is she so reluctant to have the surgery? Once done, I am sure she would be thrilled. There's more going on here than meets the eye.

Dear Ann Landers: I have an annoying problem, and I hope you can help me solve it. My employer likes to acknowledge the birthdays of his employees. This is nice, but sometimes he takes things too far. He has asked our office manager to look up our birth dates in personnel Whenever someone reaches a milestone (say 40 or 50), he posts the information on the office bulletin board. Of course, everyone then

knows how old we are. I would prefer that my coworkers not know I am turning 50 this year. How can I get my boss to keep this information private? --Young at Heart in Detroit

Dear Young at Heart: Tell Mr. Blabbermouth you'd appreciate it if he kept the specific numbers to himself. Express your gratitude, but be firm about your wishes.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Aug. 7: Others count on your

willingness to help them. You express yourself clearly, and you are full of good ideas. Creativity, romance and children score unusually high on your list of priorities. If you're working in the arts or any field involving imagination, your work benefits. If you are single, your dance card will be full. Don't be callous, but break free of any bond that might not be working. There's something better around the corner. If you're attached, the two of you could have a lot of fun together. Allow the frivolous to become more importout: PISCES helps: you make money.

of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult ARIES (March 21-April

\*\*\* Stop. Did you wake up on the wrong side of the bed? If so, consider why you are feeling the way you are. Questioning what it is you want and what is ailing you helps you center yourself. Initiate a conversation with others who can respond. Tonight: Again, do

something just for yourself. TAURUS (April 20-May

\*\*\*\*\* Dealing with another's woes might be far from your cup of tea. Discussions clear the air of some suppressed feelings and open up the flow in relationship. Make a must meeting. You zero in on what you want from working with others. Tonight: Where your friends are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\* Though a partner is combative, you open up discussions. You quickly understand what is bothering this person. You can help. Focus on what you need to do so you can get your work done. By concentrating, you'll let others see what happens when you separate work from pleasure. Tonight: In the limelight.

CANCER (June 21-July

\*\*\*\* Sometimes you push yourself across the line. Be careful. You tend to be accident-prone when you are tired. Do as much mental work as possible as your body says, "Enough!" Weigh the pros and cons of a moneymaking venture.

GARAGE SALES

Hidden treasures? Junk? Recycle your unwanted items!



### HOROSCOPE

Tonight: Pace yourself. LEO (July 23-Aug, 22)

\*\*\*\* Work out frustration through exercise. As a result, you'll center and will willingly discuss what has been a thorn in your side. Reach out for someone at a distance who cares a lot about you. Examine your long-term needs with someone who understands you. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\* Others continue to call the shots, whether you like it or not. Deal with another. Recognize that you might have hit your frustration peak and could lose it. Your ability to get to the bottom of a problem points you in a new direction. Don't say what you should, but say what you feel. Tonight: Out with others.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\*\* Feelings distract you. Speak your mind rather than allowing it to overload. Emphasize getting the job done. Do whatever you need to do to clear obstacles. Tonight: Off to the

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov.

\*\*\*\*\* Your imagination leads you in new directions. Be forthright in your decisions with others, especialcial commitment. What seems to be a bit difficult to say becomes easy once a discussion begins. Don't let details slip. Tonight: A must appearance could develop into something

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-\*\*\* You fly Dec. 21) out of the starting gate, pushing someone else out of the way. Whether symbolically or physically, this person feels displaced by you. Discussions will help to clear the air. Give up games and be real, and

tions. Do something special for a family member. Tonight Find a cool breeze

you'll build better founda-

\*\*\*\*\* Your ability to communicate takes you to another level. Recognize that someone might be saying things just to please you. Honestly speak your mind, and the gesture will be reciprocated. Think through a decision. Tonight: Hang out at a

favorite spot. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb.

\*\*\*\* Deal with someone one on one. Your more possessive side emerges with

ly those involving a finan-regard to a loved one. Stop. Consider what will make you feel more secure. Take a personal inventory and see how much you offer. Clear out shopping at lunchtime. Tonight: Continue to indulge your-

PISCES (Feb. 19-March

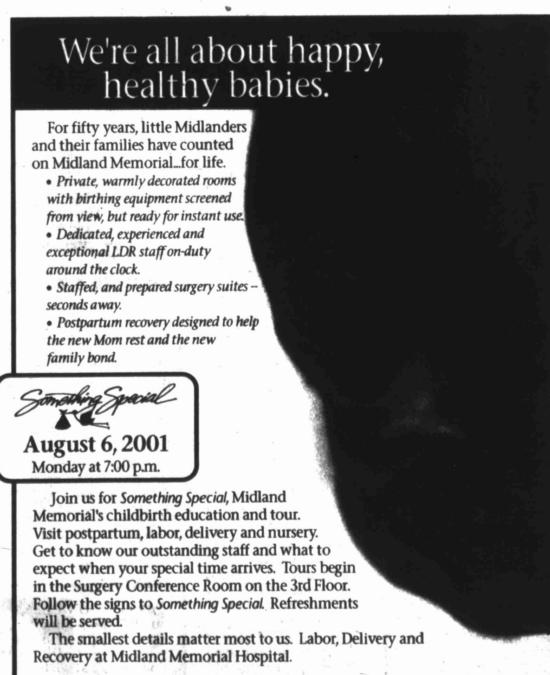
\*\*\*\*\* Despite another's overly assertive manner, you make him smile. Good news heads your way if you stay open to this person. Remember, not everyone has your diplomatic style. A co-worker needs to talk. Be a good listener, but don't support negative behavior. Tonight: Smile and you'll get what you want.

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Spy Mata Hari (1876). actor David Duchovny (1960), actress Charlize Theron (1975)

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Other Views

# TV, radio shows reveal America becoming coarse

then prime-time TV and National Public Radio broadcast several of comedian George Carlin's seven dirty words that you can never say on the public airwayes, it's evidence that American society has changed - and not for the better.

Granted, many people in the United States never thought that Carlin's litany was offensive. Walk down any city street, or through the hallways of a local high school, and you'll hear people using some of those words as part of their daily conversations.

Taken singly, each incident barely merits comment. But taken in total, they represent the general coarsening of American society, manifested in a thousand different ways.

When scatological references and sexual innuendo are standard fare in network sitcoms and movies, when vulgarities that slide from the actors' lips barely raise an eyebrow, much less a hint of protest - when even advertisements incorporate bodily functions that at one time only occurred behind closed doors - it signals a desensitizing of the viewer that should cause concern.

Writers and producers of today's network shows are trying to shock the senses. It's the path they have chosen in their attempt to stop the audience drain to cable TV. As a result, the public airwayes are home to more graphic, more base, more sensational fareis neality opposes amming that is the furthest thing from real, soap operas with wardrobes by Frederick's of Hollywood, "gotcha" programs that humiliate and denigrate. Allen Funt must be spinning in his grave.

In the world of sex, violence and adult language, context is everything.

Numerous passages in the King James Version

books of 1 Samuel, 2 Kings, Isaiah and Ezekiel can't pass the Carlin word test, but few would argue against their being read on the air during a religious broadcast. Saving Private Ryan was a remarkable movie

about the horrors of World War II, but should it be aired, gore and language unedited, on network TV during prime-time viewing?

Network TV, shown over publicly owned airwaves, should have a higher standard than cable, which provides programming that people pay tobring into their homes.

The Supreme Court's 1978 decision in the FCC vs. Pacifica Foundation - a case sparked by the airing of Carlin's seven dirty words - explained why radio and TV are media that carry a different responsi-

'Of all forms of communication, broadcasting has the most limited First Amendment protection,' Justice John Paul Stevens wrote for the majority. 'Among the reasons for specially treating indecent broadcasting is the uniquely pervasive presence that medium of expression occupies in the lives of our people. Broadcasts extend into the privacy of the home and it is impossible completely to avoid those that are patently offensive. Broadcasting,

moreover, is uniquely accessible to children." That said, the Supreme Court has repeatedly struck down congressional attempts to impose restrictions on children's exposure to adult TV programs. Laudable though it may be for Congress to want to protect impressionable youngsters from raunchy sex romps, the line-drawing inevitably collides with the First Amendment value of giving

adults uncensored access to information. Legislators should leave to parents the job of screening their children's watching, reading and listening material. While some homes may welcome WWF SmackDown!, others might only allow Blue's Clues. In this country, that is their right.

But it's also the consumers' right to demand more from network executives - to demand that they stop throwing gratuitous sex and violence and verbal obscenity into their programs; that they stop assuming that viewers will accept mindless slop in the guise of entertainment; that they realize that well-written shows hold together just fine without the characters uttering epithets:

The only way this will occur, of course, is if viewers stop swallowing the mindless slop that they are currently being fed. As long as people continue to turn it on and tune it in, they provide the viewership that the networks and their advertisers want.

To get better fare, the public will have to let the networks know, loud and clear, that we're fed up and we're not going to take it anymore.

# word to the Republicans: 'Show

ee, how nice. The Republicans are mounting a big campaign to win women over to their cause. The campaign is called

"Winning Women," and The New York Times says they're going to spend millions on us. Take off your aprons, girls, and get your hair out of those pincurls - we have a new beau. The GOP is coming to woo us.

MOLLY **IVINS** 

If I may offer our new suitor a little advice: Don't send candy, don't send flowers. Here are a few things we could use.

One of the most notable deformities in our country is the utter failure of government to respond to the fact that women work.

The GOP is funded by businesspeople who won't even think about a sixmonth paid maternity leave, as is common in Europe, or federal funding for child care.

There's a weird Republican schizophrenia: They want welfare mothers to work and working mothers to stay home. Among the Republican women we see most - who are more

often the wives of, rather than senators or representatives, - there is some kind of weird time warp, in which the women uniformly resen ble Beaver's mom, Mrs. Cleaver, who always wore pearls and high heels to vacuum.

An actual woman is heading "Winning Women," and she is a suburban mom. Nothing wrong with suburban moms - in fact a splendid group - but they are not most of us. According to the last census, the two-parent family with a stay-at-home mom is increasingly rare and not likely to be urgently in need of government help. But I guess they vote more than working moms, who are really busy and really tired.

Here are some other ways government could help women. A lot us of work in factories, and a lot of us do office work. Jobs like data entry, not to mention tougher physical factory work, involve repetitive motion. This leads to everything from chronic back problems to carpal tunnel syndrome.

On his first day in office, President Bush put a plan to deal with repetitive stress injuries on hold. It was then killed by the Republicans in Congress in March.

While it was very nice of Bush to appoint an actual woman, Elaine Chao, secretary of labor, it would be even nicer if the hearings the Labor Department is currently holding on repetitive stress were not so painfully obviously stacked in favor of business. I especially liked the doctor who testified that back pain is more likely to be caused by stress, anxiety and depression than heavy lifting.

"It is better to stay at work with a little pain than to adopt a lifestyle of disability," said this stoic. Another doctor expressed serious doubt that ergonomic injuries exist at

The hearings are so onesided that the one held at Stanford University Monday was picketed by the AFL-CIO. As long as the GOP is wooing us, it might take notice that we are really tired of being told it's all in our heads. Our heads work fine, thanks — it's the backs and wrists and feet that hurt.

Another thing that would be helpful to women is universal health insurance. If there's one thing worse than breast cancer, it's having breast cancer and no medical insurance. In Texas, women who have survived breast cancer have formed an organization to help women without insurance (www.texaswings.org), but these are slow, laborious, individual campaigns and can only cover a few dozen cases.

UM ...THIS STUFF ISN'T MEANT TO BE RETROACTIVE, IS IT?...

And that's just one form of cancer, and cancer is just one disease. We could really use some help on this issue.

And then, just to add an old favorite to the list, perhaps the GOP has noticed that wage discrimination has not disappeared. As difficult as it is to bring a class-action suit to court these days and as long as it takes to try it, women are still winning after proving, yet again, they are underpaid compared to men doing the same work.

Another item that would help working women is increasing the pathetically small number of people doing workplace inspections for health and safety conditions. Sweatshops did not go out with corsets: Many women still work in them.

An increase in the minimum wage would also help women even more than it would men. And as long as we're dreaming, why not a living wage? Then we might be able to afford decent housing, and speaking of housing, if the GOP would quit cutting the funding for it, there might actually be some affordable housing. So, GOP, it's swell that

you propose to serenade us, perhaps in barbershop quartet harmony. But forget the candy and flowers. As Eliza Doolittle sang. "Show Me."



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# Caught in a racial profiling trap

may have been a vic-tim of racial profiling. Racial profiling cuts many ways, and when it is exacted

against someone who is not an African-American, it is often referred to as "reverse racial profiling" - something akin to

reverse dis-

crimination.

Yet the word

JACK ANDERSON

"reverse" is misplaced because profiling is profiling and discrimination is discrimination. Period.

Here is my story: From our Virginia home in the suburbs of Washington, D.C., my family and I drove to New York, picked up our daughter and drove down to New Jersey for a college picnic and orientation for our son. The plan was to spend the day, then drop our daughter off

at the train station for the short trip back to New York City, while we continued on home to Virginia by

It was a pleasant day, a nice family day, until we approached the train station. A divided highway prevented a left turn into the station, so we proceeded to the first traffic light. A clearly marked sign read "No U Turn."

I put on my left turn signal and waited for the light to change, realizing that I would have to proceed up the road after turning until I could turn around

Meanwhile, a local police car pulled over to the side on the road that I was planning to turn onto. The light changed. I turned. The police officer turned on his ights. I pulled over.

The officer, who happened to be black, walked to my window, and I asked what the problem was. He said I had made an illegal left turn.

I said, "The sign said 'No U Turn' He said, "There was

another sign that said 'No Left Turn'.'

I asked him where the sign was, and he replied by pointing out that it was sign on the other side of the road and closer to the ground.

I asked him why he waited for me to make an illegal turn if he believed it to be dangerous.

I pointed out that I was stopped at the light and my turn signal was on, giving him ample opportunity to signal me to stop. He replied that he was not responsible to stop me.

I explained that we were from out of town and that it was very confusing. After all, why would they have both "No U Turn" and "No Left Turn" signs? "No Left Turn" includes "No U turn," and "No U Turn" implies that left turns are OK. The logic was of no avail.

'How many other cars have made the same mistake while we were all sitting here?" he asked. I could only reply, "You

back from the "No U Turn"

this right. You have the discretionary authority not to do this." This argument was also to no avail. Meanwhile, we said goodbye to our daughter, and

she crossed the street to the train station, whereupon the officer said, "You mean she was just going there? Why didn't you just drop her off on the other side of the street?" "Because," I said, "we

wanted to take her to the station and have time to say a loving goodbye. The officer scoffed.

It could all have ended right then, but I was livid, so I drove to the police station and spoke to the officer's lieutenant. It turned out that the officer in question was noted for giving tickets out for the same offence at that intersection generally to white people. But that was off the record, which is why no names are mentioned. I had simply run into a racial os profiling trap.



Mixed golf tour set for Aug. 11 The 2001 Guys a

Couples Golf Tour will be held Sa Aug. 11 through Aug. 12, at the Bi Country Club. The entry fee

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ON THE Radio

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Television BASEBALL

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### Mixed golf tourney set for Aug. 11-12

The 2001 Guys and Gals Couples Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, Aug. 11 through Sunday, Aug. 12, at the Big Spring Country Club.

The entry fee will be \$130 per team plus the cart fee.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three places per flight. Awards will also be given to the longest drive by both male and female golfers. The closest to the pin shot by both male and females will also win

Registration starts at 11:30 a.m. Saturday with the shotgun start at 1 p.m. both Saturday Sunday.

Golfers can play a prac-tice round on Friday, Aug. 10, as part of the regular Scotch Foursome, which is a nine hole mixed foursome scramble. The cost is \$5 plus the cart fee.

Reservations should be made by 6 p.m. before the Friday event which uses a shotgun start.

A poolside party will be held following the play on Saturday.

#### Coahoma sports fans to meet

The Coahoma Athletic Booster Club will hold a meeting at 7 p.m. today at the Coahoma cafeteria.

All Coahoma sports fans are invited to attend the meeting.

### Gymnasts return for YMCA classes

Gymnastic classes for pre-school and Big Spring students start on Monday MANGO BUH YELIAB YA All the classes are held

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Wednesdays. Under six-year old preschoolers will have their classes starting at 5:15

The six-year-old and older children have their class set from 4:15 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Registration is on a first-come basis with a limited number of openings for each class.

More information is available by calling the YMCA at 267-8234.

### ACS still offering **Texas Golf Pass**

The American Cancer Society is again offering the Texas Golf Pass that entitles holders to more than 680 rounds of golf at 289 courses throughout the state.

The passes are \$35 each and proceeds from the program benefit the Cancer Society's research, education programs and patient services efforts.

Both the Big Spring Club Country and Comanche Trail Golf Course are participating in the program and order forms are available at the two courses.

For more information, call 1-800-ACS-2345 or check the society's web site at www.acs-tx.org

## ON THE AIR

#### Radio BASEBALL

4:40 p.m. - Texas Rangers at Boston Red Sox, KBST-AM 1490.

### Television

BASEBALL 6 p.m. - Texas Rangers at Boston Red Sox, FXS, Ch. 29.

7 p.m. - NFL Preseason, AFC-NFC Hall of Fame Game, Miami Dolphins vs. St. Louis Rams, ABC, Ch. 2.

7 p.m. - Phoenix Mercury at Houston Comets, ESPN, Ch. 30.

# Arrojo hurls Red Sox to 6-3 win over reeling Rangers

BOSTON (AP) - The Boston Red Sox were stumbling after being swept at home last week by Anaheim. The Texas Rangers were talking about getting to .500 after taking two of three from the New York Yankees.

A lot changed over the weekend at Fenway Park.

The Red Sox beat the Rangers for the third time in two days with a 6-3 victory Sunday. Boston pulled within 31/2 games of the Yankees in the AL East after trailing by five

games on Friday. Rolando Arrojo, the team's hardluck starter, improved to 3-3 allowing one run on three hits and

three walks in six innings "Rolando did a great job," shortstop Nomar Garciaparra said. "It's good to come out there and sweep a His 34th homer hit above the Coca-

good team after dropping three to Cola bottles on the light tower in

Anaheim." The four-game series concludes

tonight. David Cone won the first half of Saturday's day-night doubleheader, the 12th straight time the Red Sox won with Cone starting. Tim

Wakefield gave up four hits and two

earned runs in the nightcap to end

his four-game losing streak. Arrojo didn't give up more than two runs in his previous five starts, and all he had to show for it was a loss and four no-decisions. On Sunday, he was staked to a 6-0 lead en route to his first win since July

Doug Mirabelli was 3-for-3 with three RBIs, and Manny Ramirez hit a two-run homer in the first inning.

left field and was estimated at 455

Derek Lowe pitched the ninth for his 22nd save in 25 chances.

Arrojo struck out eight and only allowed one hit until Alex Rodriguez's solo homer in the sixth. "At times he threw unhittable

pitches," Rodriguez said. Mirabelli hit an RBI double in the second inning, then drove in two

runs with a double in the third. "It was just my time to get some

hits," the catcher said. Red Sox center fielder Carl Everett was ejected in the seventh inning after arguing a called third strike with umpire Bill Welke. Everett threw his bat at Welke's feet.

Texas starter Darren Oliver (9-7)

gave up nine hits and six runs in four innings.

Dante Bichette hit an RBI single in the third to make it 4-0, just

before Mirabelli's two-run double. Craig Monroe hit his second homer, a 2-run shot in the seventh,

off Bill Pulsipher making it 6-3. After Pulsipher walked Michael Young, the Rangers had the top of the order coming up with no outs. But Rich Garces got Frank Catalanotto to hit into a double play and struck out Randy Velarde to end the inning.

Ugueth Urbina struck out the heart of the Texas order - Alex Rodriguez, Rafael Palmeiro and

Ivan Rodriguez — in the eighth. The Rangers, 49-62 and in last place in the AL West, aren't discouraged by the losing streak.

# Weaver, Hernandez take titles

Sports Editor

Mike Weaver, defending champion Susie Hernandez and Linda DeWaters emerged as champions in the 2001 Big Golf Championship Tournament winners at the Comanche Trail Golf Course over the

weekend. The tournament was sponsored by the Big Spring Herald and 103 golfers competed.

Weaver seized his first Men's Championship and won the Men's Senior Championship for a double win as he edged Ben Garcia Jr. for the title 140 to 141 in a tight battle in which Weaver finally pulled ahead for good on the 17th hole Sunday.

"This was the first time I have won the city tournament in 15 years, it's a real special feeling," Weaver said. "I played real solid with no doublebogeyes. Garcia Jr. played well. I feel real fortunate to win the tournament. I got to the playoffs three years ago against Charlie Garcia.'

When Weaver sank his final putt on the 18th hole, he was welcomed with a huge sound of applause from the crowd as the popular golfer won the City Championship Tournament.
The Men's Championship went

ight down to the wire, with the score knotted going to the 17th hole.

Weaver sank a 15-foot putt on number 17 for a birdie while Garcia Jr.'s putt just missed the cup for a par. Both golfers shot par scores on the final hole, giving Weaver the title.

Weaver shot good solid golf, missing par only three times Sunday and had no double-bogeyes that day.

"That birdie on 17 was what made the difference," Big Spring City Champion Weaver said.

Weaver and Garcia Jr. led the field after the first day of competition on Saturday with identical 71s.

Jerrod Simmons grabbed third place in the Championship Flight with rounds of 72-69 for an identical 141 score, just one stroke off the winning pace.

Todd Parrish took fourth place in the Men's Championship Flight with rounds of 74-68 for a 142, 36-hole total.

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Flea Martinez finished three strokes off the pace with rounds of 74-69 for a 143 score, Rawleigh McCullough carded a 144 with two steady rounds of 72 while Sammy Rodriguez and Comanche Trail Golf Course superintendent Jack Birdwell finished with identical 146 scores.

Rodriguez shot rounds of 74-72 while Birdwell reversed the order with rounds of 72-74.

Charlie Garcia won first place in the Men's President's flight with rounds of 77-76 for a 144 while Collin Carroll was two strokes back with rounds of 78-68 for a 146.

Luven Flores took third place with rounds of 76-71 for a 147 and J.R. Roger took fourth with scores of 77-72

for a 149. Jerry Roach and Don Osborne finished just off the pace with rounds of 153 as Roach shot 76-77 and Osborne carded scores of 78-75.

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Jerry Roach and Don Osborne fin-

ished just off the pace with rounds of 153 as Roach shot 76-77 and Osborne carded scores of 78-75. Weaver won the championship trophy, got his name inscribed as a city

tournament champion and won \$135 in prizes. Garcia Jr. took home \$75 for second place in the gross competition, Weaver and Garcia Jr. led the field after the first day of competition on

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**HERALD photo/Doug Law** Mike Weaver proudly displays his two championship trophies.

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In the ladies'division, first place

was worth the trophy and \$100 while the runner-up won \$60. The Ladies championship was very exciting as defending champion Hernandez and Debra Lusk were all tied at the end of regulation 36-holes, forcing a shoot-off that went four holes before Hernandez finally sank a

putt to win her second City Championship. "She played real solid and was in front of me until the 12th hole," Hernandez said. "Ashley Simmons

just missed by one stroke. Hernandez credited Ashley Simmons with pressuring her and Lusk for the whole tournament. Simmons finished right behind the duo, who were tied after regulation. Simmons carded a 149, just one stroke back after rounds of 75-74.

Hernandez won the Ladies' City Championship in 1998, 2000 and this

"What did it for me was playing with the guys," Hernandez said.

On the fourth playoff hole the city championship was decided, as defending champion Hernandez hit a fiveiron shot to the left side of the green and chipped to within five inches of

"Lusk was 20 yards out and shot a good putt that missed going in by just inches," Hernandez said.

Hernandez finished the weekend with her third city championship as she won the play-off over Lusk. Both golfers shot regulation rounds of 148's with identical rounds of 71-77.

In the ladies'division, first place was worth the trophy and \$100 while

the runner-up won \$60. Linda DeWaters won the Presidents Cup with rounds of 85-80 for a 165 total and JoAnn Hilger carded a 171 for second place in the President's Cup competition with rounds of 85-86.

Patsy Sharpnack was just off the pace with a 172 after shooting rounds of 87-85 and Anne Ward carded a 173 with scores of 87-86.

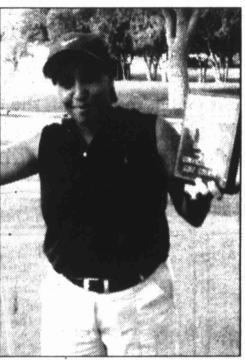
In first flight competition, Riley Wyatt won first gross with a 146 after rounds of 75-71 and carded a 140 net Gross scores are the number of

shots taken while net reflects the golfers handicap. Gary Howell took second low gross

with a 152 after shooting rounds of 74-78 and a 144 net. Winning first net was Steve Hedges with rounds of 79-68 with a 137 score

and a 147 gross.

Earl Newell took second low net with a 141 by shooting rounds of 70-74. Kim Nichols was close behind the pack with rounds of 81-72 for a 153 gross and 147 net score.



**HERALD photo/Doug Law** Hernandez displays her

women's city championship plaque. Tied with gross rounds of 154 were Lynn Walling and Pat Loya.

home \$100, second net got \$55.

Weaver and Garcia Jr., led the field 148 net and Ldya had rounds of after the first day of competition on for a 142 net.

Mike Hatfield won first gross honors in the second flight with a 154 after shooting rounds of 79-75 for a 136

Just one stroke back was Tom Posey with a 155 after shooting 77-78 and a 139 net.

Cam Clinton shot first net with a 137 with rounds of 75-80 and a 155 gross, while Manuel Ramirez got second net with a 139 with rounds of 78-79 for a 157 gross.

Three second flight golfers tied with gross scores of 157. Bob Hecker, Duane Thomas and Terry White. Hecker shot 78-79 for a 141 net Thomas carded a 78-79 for a 141 and

White shot 81-76 for a 139 net. Greg Moore shot a 159 gross with

rounds of 74-85 and a 143 net. In third flight action, Chad Wash won low gross honors with a 157 by shooting rounds of 76-81 and a 137 net score. Bill Diaz was three strokes back for second gross with a 160 after shooting rounds of 78-82 and a 138 net.

Low net was won by Jimmy Leal with a 137 after shooting rounds of 79-80 for a 159 gross. Pat Carter took second net honors with a 140 after carding a pair of 81s for a 162 gross score. Chris Cole shot a 85-81 for a gross

score of 166 and a 142 net score. Tied with 168 gross scores were Roger Battle, Alton Fields and Ben Sparks. Battle carded a 86-82 for a 148 net, Fields shot 83-85 for a 146 net and Sparks had rounds of 81-87 for a 146

net score. L.B. Conway won first gross in fourth flight action with a 166 with rounds of 84-82 for a 140 net. Dewey Slape took second gross honors with a 167 with rounds of 83-84 for a 141 net.

Winning low net was Wayne Roberts with a 140 with scores of 86-82 for a 168 while Junior Barber won second net with a 141 with rounds of

85-84. His gross score was 169. R.L. Coats and Mike Sanchez were close behind with 168 gross scores. Coats shot an 86-82 for a 142 net and

Sanchez shot 83-85 for a 142 net. In the fifth flight, Ernie Garcia took the first gross honors with rounds of 81-79 for a 160 while shooting a 130

Ricky Stone took second gross with a 172 with rounds of 83-89 for a 142 net. Stone shot in a play-off with Buddy Duncan to win second gross. Duncan had rounds of 84-88 and a 142

Winning first net was Gilbert Reyna with a 138 with rounds of 87-81 for a 168 gross while Keith Stone shot a 141 for second net with rounds of 87-88 and a 175 gross.

James Norman shot rounds of 85-90 for a 175 net and a 145 gross while Sal Diaz shot a 178 net with rounds of 87-91 and a 148 net.

### Cabrera's hit caps Indians' record rally The ASSOCIATED PRESS

By the time Kenny Lofton crossed home plate for the final run, about half the fans had already left Jacobs Field, and five All-Stars

were out of the game. Checking out early was understandable Sunday night. A comeback like this comes around only about every 76 years.

The Cleveland Indians tied a major league record, becoming the first team since 1925 to overcome a 12run deficit to win, defeating the Seattle Mariners 15-14 in 11 innings.

"I can't explain it," Lofton said. "It was unbelievable. I've never been in a game like that in my life. My voice is gone from hollering so much."

Cleveland trailed baseball's best team 12-0 after three innings and 14-2 after five. But the Indians rallied with three runs in the seventh, four in the eighth and five in the ninth before winning it on Jolbert Cabrera's

single in the 11th. Cleveland became the third team since 1900 to make up 12 runs in a game and win. The others were the Chicago White Sox (1911) and Philadelphia Athletics (1925).

"It's the turning point of the season," said Cabrera, who came in when manager Charlie Manuel pulled All-Star Roberto Alomar.

Ichiro Suzuki, Edgar Martinez, John Olerud and Juan Gonzalez also had early nights as Manuel and Seattle counterpart Lou Piniella figured the game was in the bag.

"It's just one of those that happen,' things Piniella said. "It's almost impossible to do, but they did it." In other American League

games, it was Anaheim 4. New York 3; Boston 6, Texas Kansas City Minnesota 5; Oakland 4, Detroit 1; Toronto 5, Baltimore 4; and Tampa Bay 6, Chicago 4.

In other National League games, it was Atlanta 12, Milwaukee 8; Florida 5, St. Louis 3; Houston 4, Montreal 1; Pittsburgh 5, Colorado 4; Arizona 2, New York 1; Cincinnati 10, San Diego 9; and Los Angeles 3, Chicago 2 in 10 innings.

John Rocker (3-4) struck out the side in the 11th as the Indians snapped a threegame losing streak to move within a half-game of Minnesota in the AL Central.

Jim Thome hit two Russell homers, and Branyan and Marty Cordova also homered for

Cleveland. Lofton singled with one out in the 11th off Jose Paniagua (3-3), and Omar Vizquel singled. Cabrera's bat shattered as his hit dropped into left field, and third-base coach home Skinner waved

Lofton. Vizquel's bases-loaded triple off Kazuhiro Sasaki completed Cleveland's fiverun ninth and tied it.

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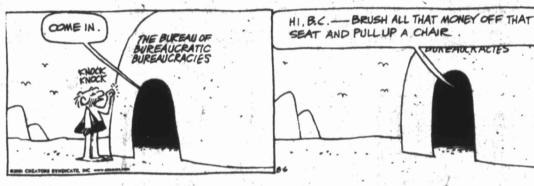
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### THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Monday, Aug. 6,

the 218th day of 2001. There are 147 days left in the

Today's Highlight in History: On Aug. 6, 1945, during World War II, the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan,

killing an estimated 140,000 people in the first use of a nuclear weapon in warfare. On this date: In 1787, the Constitutional

Convention in Philadelphia began to debate the articles contained in a draft of the United States Constitution. In 1806, the Holy Roman Empire went out of existence as Emperor Francis I

abdicated. In 1825, Bolivia declared its independence from Peru.

In 1890, convicted murder-William Kemmler

became the first person to be executed in the electric chair as he was put to death at Auburn State Prison in New York.

In 1914, Austria-Hungary declared war against Russia and Serbia declared war against Germany.

In 1926, Gertrude Ederle of New York became the first American woman to swim the English Channel, in about 14 hours. In 1962, Jamaica became

an independent dominion within the British Commonwealth. In 1965, President Lyndon

Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act. In 1978, Pope Paul VI died at Castel Gandolfo at age 80.

In 1986, William J. Schroeder died after living 620 days with the Jarvik 7 artificial heart. Ten years ago: The

Justice Department joined forces with the anti-abortion group Operation Rescue in fighting a federal judge's order to keep two abortion clinics in Wichita,

Kansas, open. TV newsman Harry Reasoner died in Norwalk, Conn., at age 68.

Five years ago: Officials announced the Air Force had punished 16 officers in connection with the crash that killed Commerce Secretary Ron Brown and 34 others the previous April.

One year ago: Workers at Verizon, the nation's largest local telephone company, went on an 18-day strike over working conditions and union representation.



### **Newsday Crossword**

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- beast Sixth sense:
- Abbr. 8 Inquires
- 12 Demonic 13 Rapidity
- 15 Mild quarrel 16 Appellation 17 Michelangelo sculpture
- 18 Ashen 19 Not much to choose from.
- casually 22 House member:
- Abbr.
- at sea 24 Batter's
- position 26 Ark builder 28 Family
- 37 Milk farm Baba
- spot, so to
- 50 Becomes
- sure of On an angle 57 Summer
- drink 59 Dieter's
- 61 Key \_\_ pie 63 Asparagus unit

LIGHTWEIGHTS by Shirley Soloway Edited by Stanley Newman

### 64 Spicy stew

- 69 Former jrs.
  - 2 Roundish
- 23 To the rear,
- member Mr. Disney 34 Adam's oldest
- 39 Dangerous
- 41 Fish eggs 42 Reach 44 Curtain fabric
- 45 Mrs. Dick Tracy 46 Stretch out 48 Was sure of
- frozen entree

- 9 Item in the
- 65 Congregation trunk 10 Cabbage kin response
- 66 "Why don't you 11 Dance unit 13 Popeye's come up and favorite food sometime?"
- 67 Lunch, e.g. **68** Transmit
- 70 Revise text DOWN
- High-IQ group shapes
- 3 Boundary 4 Carbon or neon 5 Grand-scale
- story Looks for Small: Fr.

8 Poisonous

snake

- Chief" 29 Greek love
  - god 30 Bread grains 31 Carry on,

14 Actress

Delany et al.

to the

20 Paid player

21 Derogatory

Abbr.

- as a battle 32 Roots writer
- Haley 33 Alcott sequel 35 Once

while

- 36 Shaving mishap 39 Melodic
- 40 Official reprimand 43 Golfer's prop 45 Pair
- 47 Attire 49 Inventor Whitney
- 25 Civil War side: 51 Neck parts 52 Smile
  - scornfully 54 \_\_ up (accumulated)
  - 55 Chou \_\_ of China 56 Distributed
  - the cards 57 Word of
  - regret 58 Thin coin 60 Machine parts **62** Conclusion

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