

**THURSDAY**

August 30, 2001

**WEATHER**

Tonight:



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**Grid edition included in today's paper**

Included in today's *Big Spring Herald*, readers will find our annual football edition, "Crossroads Football 2001."

The tabloid section includes features on each of the area's seven high school football programs — Big Spring, Coahoma, Forsan, Garden City, Grady, Sands and Stanton — as well as a featured spread on the coaches who head those programs.

Football fans will also find overview stories on both the Big 12 Conference and the Dallas Cowboys, as well as schedules for the major colleges and a composite schedule for the National Football League.

The *Herald* appreciates the cooperation we received from each of the six local high school programs in putting the section together, as well as the support shown by our advertisers who made production of "Crossroads Football 2001" possible.

**WHAT'S UP..!**

**FRIDAY**

□ The Greater Big Spring Rotary Club meets at noon in the Howard College Cactus Room.

□ AMBUCS meets at noon at The Brandin' Iron.

□ Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m.

**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.

□ Dance, 8:30 p.m., Eagles Lodge, 704 West Third. Members and guests welcome.

**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.

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**Despite waiting list, Head Start registration resumes Friday**

By **LYNDEL MOODY**  
Staff Writer

Registration for "Go! Project Head Start" resumes Friday at the Lakeview Head Start Center campus although those new students who have not yet registered may have to wait for a spot.

"We have a waiting list for new enrolling students," said Dominga Shockley, Lakeview site manager. Shockley said new stu-

dents can be placed on a waiting list and will be contacted if a student does not show up for classes.

Spaces have been saved for those returning students and Shockley encourages the parents of those students that did not register in April to come now.

Registration runs from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, and Monday through Friday next week at the Lakeview Headstart campus, 1107 NW

Seventh St.

Lakeview Headstart will continue to take applications all year and has 228 total spots, Shockley said.

The federally-funded program provides early childhood education for low-income families and accepts children who will be 3 but not yet 5 by Sept. 1.

Parents should bring their child's birth certificate, immunization records and the Social Security number of everyone in the house-

hold.

Parents also need to bring verification of income, which could include an income tax refund check stub, W-2 Form, a paycheck stub or letter from an employer specifying income.

The program teaches basic skills to the children and helps provide transition for 4-year-olds into kindergarten, Shockley said.

"We teach them things such as how to tie shoes,

eating nutritious food and pre-reading skills like showing them books or reading to them," Shockley said.

Children also receive breakfast and lunch cooked in the campus cafeteria as well as a snack, she said.

The school has 12 classes and each class has one teacher and teacher's aide.

Classes resume on Monday, Sept. 10.

For more information call Lakeview Headstart Center at 267-7452.

**ALON celebrates anniversary**

By **LYNDEL MOODY**  
Staff Writer

A year ago, only one company of the three bidding on the Fina refinery in Big Spring wanted to keep the business open, the loss of which would have cost the community more than 600 jobs.

That one company — ALON USA, a subsidiary of ALON Israel — celebrated the one-year anniversary of its purchasing the refinery Wednesday with the facility still in operation, jobs still intact and a promise to stay for the long-term.

"Today we are strong, confident and optimistic," said Jeff Morris, ALON USA's president and CEO.

"The refinery will expand in the next few years to 75,000 barrels a day," Morris told the crowd. "You can count on that."

A luncheon was held at the Dora Roberts Community Center with about 100 attending including various state, city and community leaders.

U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm (D-Abilene), State Rep. David Counts (D-Knox City), Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen and Coahoma Mayor Bill Read were present at the celebration.

Also attending were representatives from State Sens. Robert Duncan (R-Lubbock) and Teel Bivins (R-Amarillo) offices.



HERALD photo/LynDel Moody  
**Jeff Morris, president and chief executive officer of ALON USA, addresses an audience of about 100 people invited to a luncheon Wednesday celebrating the company's one-year anniversary of operating the Big Spring refinery.**

Morris informed the crowd that of the three bids, only ALON USA wanted to keep operating the refinery, an institution in Big Spring for 70 years.

"The rumor mill in Big Spring is very good," Morris said. "A year ago the rumor was that there were only three bids, and out of those three bids, only one wanted to keep the refinery running. You were

right." "Most folks today suffer from a NIMBY," said U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm. "NIMBY standing for not in my backyard. Folks here did, and that's why it has been here for 70 years."

Both Stenholm and Counts spoke during the event.

Stenholm spoke to the crowd of the need to utilize all forms of energy in the

future from refinery oil products to wind power and that it can be done in a way to still preserve the environment.

He called for an energy plan to preserve and make sure to continue the strong energy sources for the country in the future.

Stenholm said the country needs to look at drilling

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**Academy classes will begin next Thursday**

Herald Staff Report

The Big Spring Police Department has delayed the start of the new Citizen's Police Academy course to give an opportunity for more citizens to participate.

"We want to give more time to those people who may have not been able to sign up before," said Cpl. John Leubner, coordinator of the academy.

The academy is now set to begin on Sept. 6 and continue for 12 weeks. Most classes will meet from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Thursdays in the training center classroom located above the council chambers at city hall.

The course also includes some practical hands-on training sessions, including one at the firing range, a building search and shoot/don't shoot scenarios.

Participants are expected to provide their own notebooks.

Several members of the Big Spring Police Department will lead the classes.

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**Milton Perkins, Howard County employee for 33 years, visits with Carol Becker, a former high school classmate and friend. Some 200 people attended a retirement reception held in his honor Wednesday at the county library. Friday has been designated Milton Perkins Day in Big Spring.**

HERALD photo/Andreas Medlin

**Grady ISD earns highest district rating from TEA**

By **LYNDEL MOODY**  
Staff Writer

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— Once again, the Grady Independent School District earned the Texas Education Agency's highest districtwide rating.



**TUBB**

"The credit goes to a lot of

hard work by the teachers, a lot of hard work by the students and strong parent, community and administrative support," said GISD Superintendent Johnny Tubb.

For the third year, Grady ISD received exemplary status by the TEA.

Ratings are based on student passing rates on a standardized test called the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) as well as dropout rates.

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**Life is all about making choices, Dr. Thomson tells Coahoma students**

By **ROGER CLINE**  
Staff Writer

Hundreds of Coahoma students howled with laughter Wednesday as they watched varsity Billdogs tight end/safety Billy Bob Walker being reeled in and out at the end of a fishing line.

Walker, a junior, was tied to the fishing line at an assembly featuring nationally-acclaimed motivational speaker Dr. Mike Thomson. Thomson used the gimmick to illustrate that parents, teachers and society in general tends to "reel in" teens who make poor choices by imposing restrictions and tak-

**SEMINAR TONIGHT**

The public is invited to hear Dr. Mike Thomson at 7 p.m. today in the Coahoma High School auditorium. There is no charge.

ing away privileges. "That's what life is about," Thomson told the sixth-through 12th-graders gathered in the high school auditorium. "Nothing but choices. It's the best day of your life when you realize you have power, control and choices. It's also the worst

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HERALD photo/Roger Cline  
**Dr. Mike Thomson, right, roleplays with Coahoma High School junior Billy Bob Walker to illustrate that good choices can lead to rewards, privileges and freedom while poor choices can lead to fewer privileges and more restrictive parents and teachers.**

OBITUARIES

**James A. Wilson Jr.**

Funeral service for James A. Wilson Jr., 77, of Stanton, will be 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 31, 2001, at First Baptist Church with the Rev. David Harp officiating. Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery. Mr. Wilson died Wednesday, Aug. 29 at his residence. He was born on Nov. 19, 1923, in Colorado City and married Flora Dee Cook on July 21, 1942, in Stanton. She preceded him in death on Jan. 22, 1999. He retired from CRMWD as a pump station supervisor. He was a member of First Baptist Church. He was a staff sergeant with the 89th Company Squadron and a member of the headquarters of the United States Air Corps during the European Theater. Survivors include one daughter Mary Barnhill of Stanton; two sons Bob Wilson and Bill Wilson both of Stanton; six grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren. Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

**Barbara Ditto**

Funeral service for Barbara Ditto, 67, of Kermit, will be 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 1, 2001, at Grace Temple Baptist Church in Kermit with pastors Jess Little and Gordon Oglesby officiating. Burial will be at Kermit Cemetery. Mrs. Ditto died Wednesday, Aug. 29 at an Odessa hospital. She was born June 26, 1934, in Dawson and married Edwin Ditto on July 3, 1959, in Big Spring. She was a Baptist and a resident of Kermit for 36 years. Survivors include her husband, Edwin Ditto of Kermit; two sons, Stephen Ditto of Kermit and Tommy Whiteside of Lindale; two daughters, Candace Reed of Kermit and Andrea Hilburn of Lindale; five brothers Don and Cydel Chapman both of Odessa, Jan and

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Lorraine J. Sublett, 81, died Tuesday. Services will be 2:00 PM Saturday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Alford Townsend, 79, died Wednesday. Services are pending. Lou Grant, 90, died Thursday. Services are pending.

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Telesforo F. Fierro, Jr., died Tuesday. Funeral Mass at 11:00 AM, Thursday at St. Thomas Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Mary Morrison, 94, died Wednesday. Funeral services will be 11:00 AM, Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel, with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Verba Graves, 82, died Wednesday. Services are pending for Saturday.

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Tommy Chapman both of Lubbock and Kenneth Chapman of Alvin; 14 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. Arrangements are under the direction of Cooper Funeral Chapel Inc. in Kermit.

**Lorraine J. Sublett**

Funeral service for Lorraine J. Sublett, 81, of Big Spring will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 1, 2001, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Mrs. Sublett died Tuesday, Aug. 28, in a local hospital. She was born on Nov. 22, 1919, in Mesick, Mich. and married Henry Sublett in 1947 in Las Vegas, Nev. She came to Big Spring three years ago. She was a practicing registered nurse until 1986. She was a veteran of the U.S. Navy and served as a nurse in World War II. She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist. Survivors include her husband Henry Sublett of Big Spring; one son, Fulton Sublett of Granbury; one daughter, Delores Sublett of Houston; three brothers Don Randall of Traverse City, Mich.; Paul Randall of Mesick, Mich.; and Lee Randall of Grand Rapids, Mich.; and one sister, Elaine Burton of Mesick, Mich. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Survivors include her husband Henry Sublett of Big Spring; one son, Fulton Sublett of Granbury; one daughter, Delores Sublett of Houston; three brothers Don Randall of Traverse City, Mich.; Paul Randall of Mesick, Mich.; and Lee Randall of Grand Rapids, Mich.; and one sister, Elaine Burton of Mesick, Mich. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

**Mary Morrison**

Mary Morrison, 94, of Big Spring died at 7:35 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2001, at Big Spring Care center following a long illness. Funeral service will be 11 a.m. Friday at Myers and Smith Chapel with the Rev. David Rhea pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Mt. Olive Memorial Park. She was born Aug. 21, 1907, in Falls county. She was the daughter of Annie Wilson Bell and Will Thomas Bell. The family moved to Howard County in 1914 from Falls County. She graduated from Big Spring High School in 1925 and attended Draughon's Business College in Abilene. She then began work as a legal secretary at Morrison and Morrison Attorney's at Law, the father and uncle of Walton S. Morrison whom she married Dec. 19, 1932, in Big Spring. She continued to be active with him in the law practice until Walton's death on March 14, 1997. Mrs. Morrison was an avid golfer and dog lover. She and Walton raised show dogs and were especially fond of Bassett Hounds. They were Charter Members of he Big Spring Kennel Club and started the tradition of the Kennel Club shows in Big Spring. She and Walton enjoyed traveling and had traveled around the world. Mrs. Morrison was also an excellent cook and enjoyed entertaining in her home. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church. She is survived by one sister, Allene Warren of Big

Spring; one brother and sister-in-law E.C. and Jessie Bell of Big Spring; two nephews Guy Bell of Garland and Wilson Bell and his wife, Neva, of Carrollton; two nieces Ann Carter and her husband, Tom, of Coleman and Marianne Mullins and her husband, Jerry, of Elysian Fields; and a dear family friend, Theda Broughton. In addition to her parents and her husband she was preceded in death by one brother Buster Bell and one nephew Bobby Bell. Pallbearers will be John Currie, R.H. Weaver, Lupe Villapondo, Wilson Bell, Guy Bell, Tom Carter and Jerry Mullins. Honorary pallbearers will be Pat Highley, Maurine Chrane and Patricia Jones. The family suggests memorials to any favorite charity. The family will be at 512 Washington Boulevard. Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

**Lou Grant**

Funeral service for Lou Grant, 90, of Cedar Hill, formerly of Big Spring, is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mrs. Grant died today, Aug. 30, 2001, at her son's residence in Cedar Hill. Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

**Alford Townsend**

Funeral service for Alford Townsend, 79, of Garden City is pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Mr. Townsend died Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2001, in a local hospital.

**Verba Graves**

Funeral service for Verba Graves, 82, of Big Spring is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mrs. Graves died Wednesday, Aug. 29, 2001, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

**CORRECTION**

Due to an oversight, the Big Spring Herald only ran a portion of the draft of the proposed "Airpark Director's" job description in a Wednesday article concerning the city council. The entire job description follows:

- Marked "DRAFT"
- AIRPARK DIRECTOR
- GENERAL PURPOSE: Provides administrative oversight for all airpark operations including land and contract management, safe operation of the aviation facilities, and compliance with all City and FAA rules and regulations.
- SUPERVISION RECEIVED: Works under general supervision of the City Manager.
- SUPERVISION EXERCISED: Makes oral and written assignments to office and maintenance personnel assigned to the airpark. Identifies priorities, deadlines and resources and monitors work of subordinates for accuracy, completeness and compliance with policy.
- ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES: Negotiates with companies and individuals regarding the lease of airpark facilities; reviews and monitors contracts for compliance with FAA rules and local policies; consult with the City Attorney regarding leases; and makes recommenda-

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tions to the City Manager and City Council regarding leases, amendments and rental abatements. Coordinate and consult with the Finance Department regarding new leases, lease termination, rental abatement, and past due accounts. Provide recommendations to the City Manager and City Council regarding land use and other airpark development in accordance with the Airpark Master Plan and other long-range plans of the City. Develop and implement a customer service program including regular visits to businesses located at the Airpark, surveys of renters to determine satisfaction level and needs, resolution of complaints regarding maintenance, administrative services or other conflicts. Coordinate with Moore Development for economic development activities relating to the Airpark. Coordinate with the Federal Aviation Administration and the Texas Department of Transportation on rules and regulations governing operation of the Airpark. Prepare and administer grant applications in accordance with local, state and federal rules. Develop, recommend and implement a comprehensive maintenance and repair program, including preventative maintenance. Plan, schedule and coordinate the construction, maintenance and repair of facilities, grounds, vehicles and equipment. Approve plans and specifications for minor construction, remodeling and repair projects, supervise and coordinate work performed by outside contractors. Submit and administer department budget including capital and other improvements in accordance with long-range plans; identify and investigate cost overruns and irregular costs; initiate methods to reduce costs and promote efficiency. Prepare and analyze statistical data, reports, resolutions, ordinances, and administrative policies as required for decision-making purposes. Communicates official plans, policies and procedures to staff and the general public, makes presentations to supervisors, boards, civic groups and the general public as assigned. Acts as staff liaison to the

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Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with employees, supervisors, other departments, officials, tenants, and the public.

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According to Leubner, almost all of the speakers will be in-house. Those interested can pick up applications at the police department; they are also available on the police website at www.police.big-spring.tx.us. Completed applications should be returned to the police station at 400 E. Fourth St.

**BRIEFS**  
**CITY OF BIG SPRING** will close all offices, including the landfill, at 12 p.m., Friday for the annual Employee Appreciation Picnic. City offices and the landfill will remain closed through Monday for the Labor Day Holiday. There will be no sanitation pickup on Monday. Emergency services (police, fire and EMS) will continue normal operations.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON BUDGET HOWARD COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**

The Howard County Appraisal District will hold a public hearing on a proposed Budget for the 2002 fiscal year. The public hearing will be held on September 12, 2001 at 5:15 P.M. at the Howard County Courthouse Annex, 315 Main Street, Big Spring, Texas.

A summary of the Appraisal District Budget follows:

The total amount of the proposed Budget is	\$503,308
The total amount of decrease under the current Year's Budget is	\$13,895
The number of employees compensated under the Proposed Budget will be	8
The number of employees compensated under the Current Budget is	8

The Appraisal District is supported solely by payments from the local taxing units served by the Appraisal District. If approved by the Appraisal District Board of Directors at the public hearing, this proposed budget will take effect automatically unless disapproved by the governing bodies of the county, school districts, cities, and towns served by the Appraisal District. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection in the office of each of those governing bodies. A copy is also available for public inspection at the Appraisal District Office.

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**MANSFIELD** (A) in the slayings of her two children. Mansfield mobilized today at complex in near police said. A capital murder issued Wednesday. Henkins in the slaying of her estranged wife, Terri, her 13-year-old son and year-old daughter. The three victims for several days they had been shot. When Henkins down, he began a police, Mansfield Steve Noonkester station KDFW. After several ho

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# Suspect in family slaying case cornered, arrested today by police

MANSFIELD (AP) — A suspect in the slayings of a woman and her two children at their Mansfield mobile home was arrested today at an apartment complex in nearby Arlington, police said.

A capital murder warrant was issued Wednesday for Terry Lee Henkins in the slayings of his estranged wife, Tammy Henkins; her 13-year-old son Kevin, and 11-year-old daughter Ashley.

The three victims had been dead for several days and police said they had been shot.

When Henkins was tracked down, he began a standoff with police, Mansfield Police Chief Steve Noonkester told television station KDFW.

After several hours of negotia-

tions with officers, he surrendered shortly before 7 a.m. and did not offer further resistance.

"A child and adult were able to get out safely. Then the Arlington tactical team entered and arrested the suspect," Noonkester said.

Dallas-Fort Worth television station KXAS reported a 10-year-old girl and a 38-year-old mentally disabled adult also were in the unit with the suspect.

Arlington police involved in the telephone negotiations found Henkins cooperative, said Sgt. James Hawthorne, Arlington police spokesman.

"We wish they all ended this way," he told KDFW.

Henkins had indicated that he was armed, but never threatened the two with him nor issued any

demands, Hawthorne said. "I don't think they were truly hostages," he said.

Neighbors told investigators that Henkins is the estranged husband of the slain woman, father of her youngest child and stepfather to her eldest.

"We know he's been in the residence in the past few days," Noonkester said.

Noonkester said the slain family apparently had been dead for several days. An autopsy will be needed to determine exactly how long, but Noonkester said "more than two days would be my guess."

Authorities said the bodies were discovered Wednesday evening by the woman's grandmother and a sister. Noonkester said all had been shot to death with a large-cal-

iber handgun.

One neighbor, Tom Langston, said he had just arrived home at Breezy Oaks Mobile Home Park about 5:30 p.m. when another neighbor called to tell him of a commotion across the street.

"This lady here came to call me and said these people were screaming over here and to find out what's wrong," Langston said. "They'd just come out of the house."

"One woman came out of the house screaming, 'He's killed them, he's killed them,'" the neighbor said.

Kirk Grable, the Mansfield Police Department's public information officer, said a lawman responding to a 911 call at the trailer park at 5:22 p.m. found a

body inside the trailer. The crime scene unit was dispatched, and two other bodies were found, he said.

Juan Ruiz, a next-door neighbor, said the ex-husband was acting suspiciously several days ago at the cream-colored house trailer with brown trim.

"That guy was really weird-looking," Ruiz said. "He waved at me a couple of days ago, then went inside really quickly, like suspiciously — like he didn't want me seeing him. I gotta make sure I lock that back door now. You don't know who comes and goes around here."

He said the boy told him a couple of weeks previously that he was excited his mother and father were getting back together.

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day of your life."

Thomson told the teens that they will be bombarded by a multitude of choices, like food buckets in a buffet line.

"They take away the buckets with cole slaw and green beans, and all of a sudden there's a bucket with cigarettes," he said. "There's a bucket with marijuana. There's a bucket with sex, and lying, and skipping school. All they're going to do is serve it up, and you're going to choose."

Thomson, who holds a doctorate in education from Ohio State University, is the author of books such as "Getting Your Parents Off Your Back...And On Your Side" and "Parenthood: Who's Raising Whom? Strategies For Saving Your Sanity," and has produced a video series called "In Search Of Character."

He's been speaking about the issue of character in young people since he was 18.

"I heard somebody say,

"That teacher gave me an 'F,'" he said. "I thought, 'Wait a minute....' These kids are thinking we're all controlling them. We're not controlling them, they're making bad choices. All these kids are blaming everybody else — and that's no different than what you see with Bill Clinton and Gary Condit. People will learn real quick during my presentation that parents never ground them, teachers never give the bad grades, teachers never send them to detention, police never put them in jail and employers never fire them... their choices do."

Thomson will present a seminar for parents on character education tonight at 7 in the Coahoma High School Auditorium. Parents throughout Howard County are invited to attend the free presentation.

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In the past, attendance numbers also factored in

the rating but was removed from the measurement this year.

Districts and campuses earning the exemplary ratings had 90 percent or more of their total students and these student groups, Hispanic, African-American, white and economically disadvantaged, pass all sections of the TAAS test. They also had a drop out rate for all students and the four student groups of 1 percent or less.

Tubb said the district doesn't spend much time emphasizing the test.

"We really don't emphasize the TAAS test," Tubb said. "We prepare adequately but we feel like if our teachers are truly doing their business in the classroom the TAAS test will take care of itself."

The district uses the past year's TAAS scores as a measuring indicator to see which areas students are

strong or weak in, Tubb said.

"The TAAS test is just a measuring tool to tell where you are and the parts that are your strengths and weaknesses," Tubb said.

Out of the 33 districts in Region 18, the Grady school district was one out of three to earn the rating. The other districts include Reagan County Independent School District and Terrell County Independent School District.

"We are very proud of being one of the three districts out of the 33 districts in Region 18 that earned exemplary status," Tubb said. "There were several campuses that earned the exemplary rating but only three districtwide."

"We are the best kept secret in West Texas," Tubb said. "With our exemplary standing and the excellent school programs, word is getting out."

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for more oil domestically while keeping in mind the environment.

"We cannot produce food and fiber without oil and gas, and we cannot produce oil and gas without food and fiber," Stenholm said.

"We need to be less dependent on foreign oil," Counts said, who also spoke about the need to preserve U.S. energy.

Counts said ALON and other businesses in the oil industry have been good corporate citizens.

Counts said that everytime he has gone to ALON with community problems the answer he always receives is "what can we do, even if it is not their problem."

Both Counts and Stenholm emphasized the importance

of a clean supply of potable water in the future and Counts encouraged those in attendance to go to the polls and vote for a proposal that would provide \$2 billion in water system improvements across the state.

Morris went on to say ALON is committed for the long-term and plans to expand the refinery in services. Included in those plans is to expand the retail market along the company pipeline that stretches from Fort Smith, Ark., to Phoenix.

Morris also said the company plans to expand asphalt production but he also said the company does not plan to expand its workforce.

"This is a very competitive industry," Morris said. "We want to be able to say if an employee is hire that employee can retire from ALON."

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OUR VIEWS

We're ready to kick off the season

Time for preparation has expired. The 2001 Crossroads high school football season officially gets under way Friday when Big Spring's Steers and three area teams play their first games.

The Steers open the season on the road, playing a well-known foe in Sweetwater's Mustangs at 7:30 p.m. At the same time, Coahoma's Bulldogs will travel to Hawley and face the Bearcats.

Forsan's Buffaloes and Stanton's Buffaloes will also open on the road - Forsan's herd traveling to Grape Creek and Stanton's stampede heading for Greenwood. Both of those games are set for 8 p.m. kickoffs.

The remaining four Crossroads area teams will join the fray next week, perhaps benefiting from a few days of extra practice as they prepare for what they hope are long runs into post-season play.

A great many thrills are certain to come before the playoffs begin, and we're looking forward to each of them.

What's more, we need to remember that high school football in Texas is much more than just a contest between young athletes. It's an opportunity for bands, cheerleaders, pep squads and the like to display their talents as well.

In fact, there's little question that we put some of the best our communities have to offer on display when the lights are turned on each Friday night.

All of these youngsters should be a source of pride and deserve our unqualified support in all their endeavors.

We here at the Herald have looked forward with great anticipation to the season's start and wish all the area's teams and their following the best of luck.

We'll see you at the stadium!

OTHER VIEWS

If Rep. Gary Condit figured he could spin his way out of the morass the California Democrat has found himself in since the disappearance of former intern Chandra Levy last spring, his recent letter to constituents and follow-up interview with ABC's Connie Chung were not the tickets.

The embattled congressman's defensiveness, evasive answers to questions and eager desire to blame the news media for much of his plight have only managed to make him sink further into a chasm of his own making.

During the ABC interview, Condit claimed he fully cooperated with police investigating Levy's disappearance, even though the truth of the matter is that his cooperation came piece by piece, and only after much time.

Although he readily answered no to Chung's questions about whether

he had anything to do with Levy's disappearance, knew anything about it or knew or caused anyone to harm her, he repeatedly evaded any straightforward answer concerning his relationship with Levy and could not bring himself to actually apologize to the Levy family for the pain and suffering his several months of evasive answers and stonewalling have caused them. ...

Despite the help of advisors and handlers, Condit's first extended public comments likely will not help him or revive his sagging congressional career. They lack sincerity, are too defensive and evasive. They lack the plain simplicity, forthrightness and verity most people long for even if they have largely given up getting them from any politician. And, perhaps even more importantly, Condit's comments have come four months too late. THE SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

Gone once again to Horn Island

HORN ISLAND, Miss. - The skiff slaps the waves with the regularity of a heartbeat. Pushed by an old Evinrude, it takes us about 40 minutes to cross the Mississippi Sound to Horn Island.



RHETA GRIMSLEY JOHNSON

It sometimes took Walter Anderson three days. On this dollop of federally protected paradise, I can see blue water, drifts of snowy sand, the osprey's twig nest dripping incongruous gold nylon rope.

But I cannot see all that the late artist Anderson saw, this island as palette, on it splattered a billion dancing colors.

He claimed this island, same as an explorer plants a flag on a new shore. Walter owned Horn Island, not by buying it, but by painting it, piece by piece, in a desperate need to understand it.

Today Walter Anderson watercolors fetch fancy prices in major galleries. You rarely see his name without the phrase "America's Van Gogh"

snug behind. As far back as 1937, Anderson was known, along with his two brothers, for the pottery made and decorated at the family's Shearwater Pottery. But his remarkable paintings were mostly a well-kept secret.

All that has changed. Walter Anderson's amazing art legacy is receiving more attention with each passing decade.

"His paintings solve the environmental estrangement between man and nature," his daughter Mary Anderson Pickard says.

Hundreds of times Walter Anderson rowed or sailed the 12 miles to Horn Island from his Ocean Springs cottage. He would stay for days, sleeping beneath his wooden boat, communing with island creatures, studying the dazzling colors and the light. Always the light.

He carried food and supplies in garbage cans. He sketched while waist-deep in lagoons, swatted mosquitoes, kept a log. He lashed himself to a tree during a hurricane to study its colors. He almost died many times, when his skiff was swamped, once when he reached into a bird nest and was bitten by a moccasin.

He was happy on Horn. On the mainland, Anderson struggled. He

fought schizophrenia and was hospitalized repeatedly.

He was the spirited father the family called Bob, who gave puppet shows, read aloud, made elaborate Greek ships to illustrate "The Iliad."

But he also was the father who set the house on fire and knocked out the windows whenever he felt distressed.

He would ride off on his old bicycle, sending postcards from Texas or Virginia. Once, without a proper goodbye, he went to China.

"I always got an odd feeling when I arrived at the screen door, full of some tale about the children, only to find a scraggly message pinned to the wire," his wife, Sissy Anderson, wrote in her stunning 1989 memoir, "Approaching the Magic Hour."

"Gone to Horn Island" was the most frequent message.

Anderson died of cancer in 1965. After that, people began to understand that the mad artist Walter Anderson had seen things they hadn't seen.

Mary, now 63, devoted about 20 years to studying and promoting her father's work.

He left some 8,000 watercolors and voluminous writings.

Mary's son, Chris Stebly,

33, is an artist as well, decorating the occasional Shearwater pot and painting, same as his grandfather.

"A perfect day for this," Rodney Storik had said as he and Kelly Rowe helped me into the 20-foot skiff for the trip to Horn. The homemade boat was big enough to bat the waves, but I wouldn't want to make the trip in anything smaller.

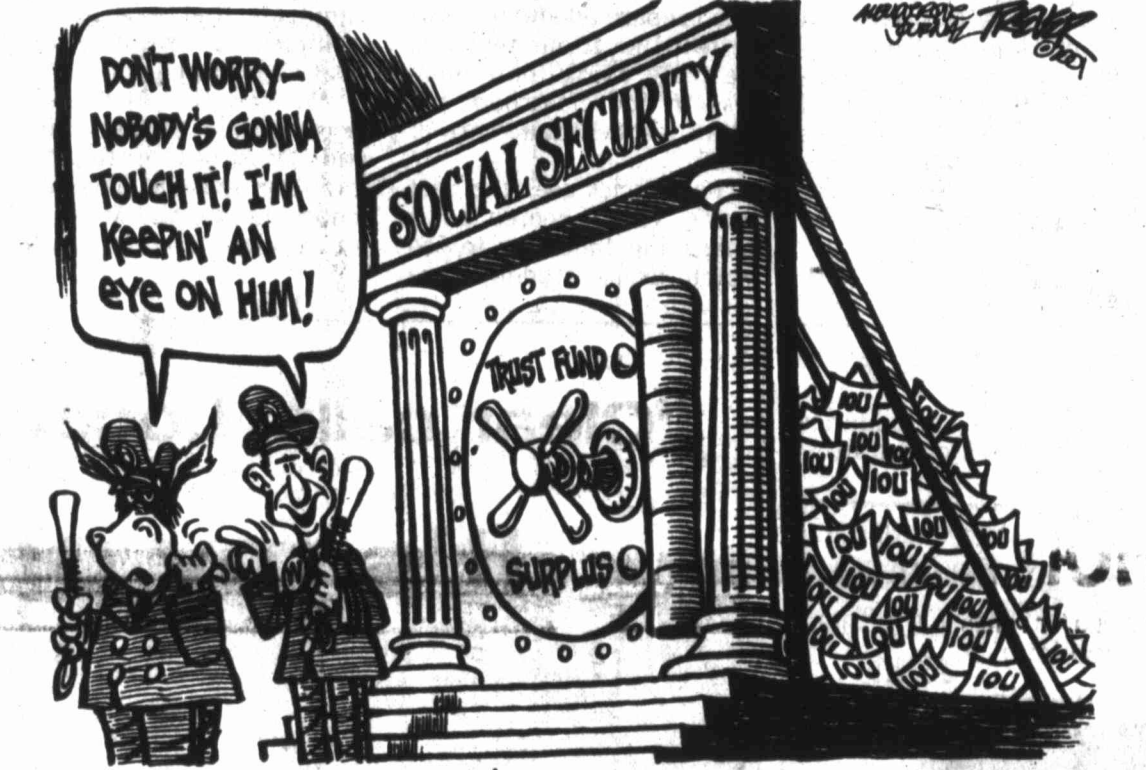
At Ocean Springs' Walter Anderson Museum of Art, they display the artist's last boat, about 10 feet long. What a speck he must have been on the choppy ocean.

I was a little worried about the day trip and seeing the artist's inspiration. A late-April fire damaged about 100 of Horn's 3,650 acres.

Walter's grandson, Chris, was on the island camping when the fire started. With only a 5-gallon bucket, Stebly battled the blaze. He refused to stop when help came, and authorities eventually handcuffed him for his own protection.

I mentioned to Chris' mother that the dramatic firefighting story reminded me of one her own mother told in the book about Walter Anderson fighting a woods fire.

"The difference," Mary says, "is that my father started them, too."



Amtrak running empty

The economics of travel are fairly basic: Fill up the airplane, train or bus - or take it off the schedule. This practice is why airlines have all sorts of rates, including first class, business class, coach, Internet coach, week-end coach, seven-day advance-purchase coach, and various other advance-purchase options. They cut their margins close - so close that it is said that if a flight loses one full-fare business passenger, it won't make money for that leg of the journey.

But the airlines do make money. True, coach accommodations seem to be nothing more than cattle cars, but they do fill them up. Not so the railroad. Amtrak, which perpetually loses money, doesn't grasp the essence of the fill-'er-up concept. I rode a train from New York to Washington, D.C., the other day. It departed after 10:00 p.m., and it was practically empty. Unlike the airlines, there is no free food, nor flight attendants to care for the passengers. So, except for a relatively minor weight factor that would increase fuel costs slightly, each additional passenger would do little more than take up space - and add revenue to Amtrak's depleted coffers.



CHARLEY REESE

In short, those railroad cars cost just about the same to run full or empty. This fact would appear to leave Amtrak officials with three choices:

- 1. Stop running that train at that time.
2. Lower the fares for that train at that hour.
3. Continue to run the train nearly empty.

Option number two would appear to be the best choice. They could follow the airlines' lead and offer multiple rates, which might include across-the-board lower fares to provide travelers with sufficient incentive to travel at off-peak hours. They could offer advance-purchase discounts. They could offer Internet discounts. They could and should try just about everything except option number three. ...

Yet, option three is what Amtrak has chosen, and it is option three that is taking it down the track to bankruptcy.

Now, Amtrak officials

may provide excuses, such as that rail cars need to be positioned, which means, for example, that more cars will need to be in Washington, D.C., to accommodate the next morning's commute than need to be in New York for the same purpose. So, the argument goes, they need to tack on extra cars - albeit empty cars - at night to position them for the next day's traffic.

It is an argument that does not hold. The airlines have proved time and again that lower fares mean more passengers. So why doesn't Amtrak look upon their "positioning" cars as moneymakers that could be filled up with travelers who, but for low fares, would not use the train?

If an airline can provide food, flight attendants, pillows and blankets, Amtrak, which forgoes these simple amenities, should be able to offer rates more competitive with bus lines than airlines, when in fact, their rates often exceed the lowest air fares.

Train travel can be scenic, convenient, even enjoyable. What it does not have to be is expensive. And for the sake of fiscal responsibility, neither does it have to run empty. It's simple arithmetic.

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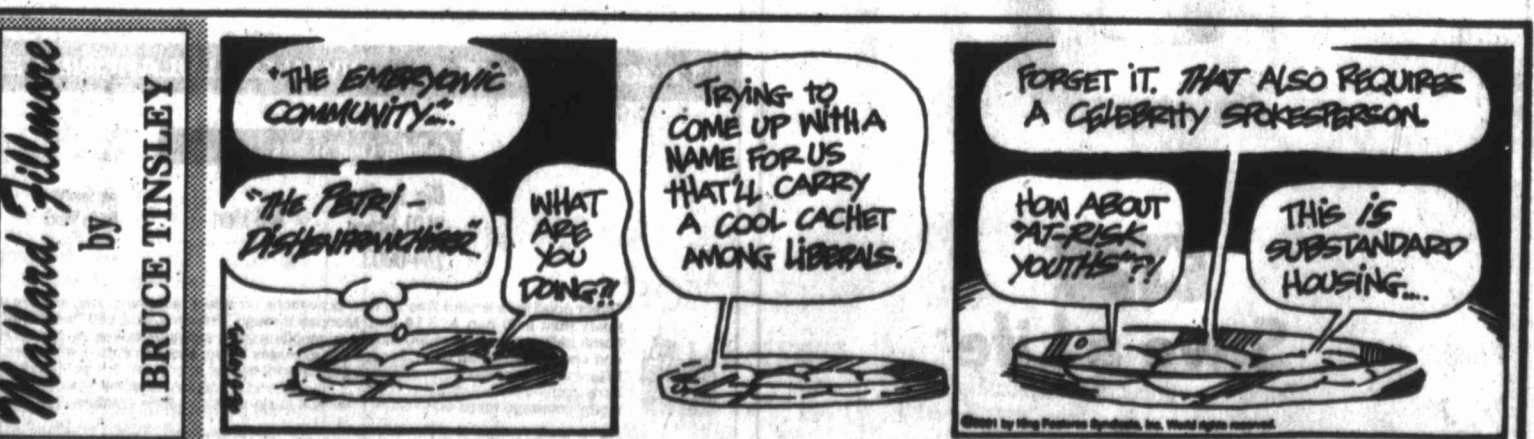
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## Whooping cough once common in infants

The use of pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine during the first year of life provides immunity to the infection in most children, according to the Encarta Encyclopedia.



ANDREA MEDLIN

Pertussis vaccine is usually given together with diphtheria and tetanus vaccines in a shot called DPT. In 1996 laws requiring school children to be immunized against pertussis existed in 42 of the 50 states and children entering day care were required to be immunized against pertussis in 48 states.

As a result of this extensive immunization mortality from pertussis in the United States has dropped to about 10 cases per year.

Mosby's Medical Dictionary states that whooping cough, which is the common name for pertussis, is an infectious disease of the respiratory tract, caused by a bacteria.

The name whooping cough comes from the high pitched whoop when a breath is drawn at the end of a coughing fit.

It is highly contagious and is transmitted by direct contact, usually by means of droplets sprayed into the air during coughing and sneezing spells or by touching freshly contaminated material.

The disease begins with a runny nose, a harsh cough and a slight fever. The characteristic whoop

develops one to two weeks later. Coughing spells, which usually occur at night and often end in vomiting, can continue to occur for four weeks or more.

Pneumonia, involvement of the central nervous system with blood loss or hemorrhage, emphysema, ear infection, convulsions, nose bleeds, weight loss, dehydration, hernia, prolapsed rectum and very low levels of oxygen in the blood which can lead to death if not corrected. Severe coughing spells can also be fatal.

Severe coughing spells usually cause the person's face to turn blue, veins will distend, the tongue may protrude and the eyes may bulge.

The person may cough up a lot of phlegm and may vomit as well due to gagging or choking on the phlegm. There is usually no fever or a very slight one.

Treatment for whooping cough is control of the cough with sedatives and replacing fluids lost by vomiting.

It can usually also include bed rest, adequate nutritional intake and adequate amounts of fluid.

Erythromycin or other antibacterial may be prescribed to reduce the spread of the disease or to control a secondary infection.

Oxygen may be needed if there is shortness of breath or a bluish discoloration of the skin (cyanosis).

For more information on pertussis you may contact the Department of Health located at College Park Shopping Center or call 263-9775.

## READERS CORNER

### Ode To Our Dog

The night was cold  
Our dog was bold.  
The weather was rainy,  
Our dog was brainy.  
The night was foggy,  
Our dog was groggy.  
The weather was windy,  
Our dog licked Binky.  
The night was wet,  
Our dog slept.  
The weather was snowy,  
His breath was blowy.  
The night was hot,  
Our dog was not.  
The night was dry,  
Our dog asked why.  
Up rose a storm,  
We all stayed warm.  
By: Katie Lara, Morgan Bindy McKinney and Peter Barrow

### Little Brown Coat

Little Brown Coat so tattered and torn.  
Been a long time since you were worn.  
A grandmother sewed you with loving care.  
For a little girl's arms would not go bare.  
Cloth cut from grandpa's old coat.  
Velvet scraps she found in a box.  
With loving hands each stitch was made.  
Fancy machines were not

around those days.  
Grandmother, has a long time been gone.  
But, to you little coat I still hold on.  
Patches, I put on each little hole.  
Wrapped you in-tissue and away you were stowed.  
Each time I go to my chest at night.  
Grandmother dearest is at my side.  
Memories are made in many ways.  
For me it was with each stitch made.  
When my time comes and I go away.  
Little brown coat you'll have to stay.  
Maybe my child will hold you and say.  
A little brown coat made long ago.  
Many times of you I was told.  
Sandra Kay Holliman Hallford.

### "The Winds of Time"

There in the night I sometimes hear the winds of time are gathering near  
And then I hear the meadow lark, he tries to cheer me in the dark  
He sings to me to bring me cheer but the winds of time are gathering here  
Tomorrow is another day

I'll awake at break of day and every thing here seems just fine, but I hear those winds, those winds of time.  
And in the night they seem quite near.  
The winds of time are gathering here.  
Bernice Reed Jones

### On Leslie's Leaving Home

You think this day you're all grown up,  
Thank Heaven you are deceived.  
Your innocence will protect you  
In yourself you firmly believe.  
There's not a doubt in your young mind,  
Life's anything other than sheer joy.  
You'll toss your head laughing  
And grab onto life like a favorite toy.

You're unafraid and you cannot foresee  
That which only experience will grant,  
And luckily you haven't learned  
the simple phrase, "I can't."  
What you lack in plain old experience  
You make up for in bold courage.  
Because you've not yet lost a battle or  
Been beaten or discouraged.  
Oh I long to cling to you and  
Somehow beg you not to go,  
But life's waiting just outside and  
You're thirsty to drink of it I know!  
So go my son in confidence  
This is your world and it's your play  
Taste life deep, and live it full,  
Soon you'll be standing where I am Today!  
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Greenwood, 8 p...  
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## IN BRIEF

### Big Spring blanked by San Angelo Bobcats

Two days after traveling to San Angelo for a weekend volleyball tournament, Traci Pierce and her Lady Steers were on the road again headed back to the Concho Valley area Tuesday to face the San Angelo Central Lady Bobcats. When Pierce put her players back on the team bus, it was a long ride home for the varsity squad that lost, 15-12, 13-15, 6-15, to the Lady Bobcats and 15-7, 7-15, 5-15 to Water Valley. With the pair of losses, Big Spring drops to 9-9 on the season.

Meanwhile the junior varsity squad is on a winning streak with two more wins Tuesday.

### Crossroads Football

There is still time to sign up for Crossroads Little League Football because the deadline has been extended to Friday. Registration continues at the Athletic Supply at the Big Spring Mall. The cost is \$55 per player and \$25 for cheerleaders and flag football players. For more information call, 264-0871.

### Lady Steers boosters meet tonight a 7:30

The Big Spring Lady Steers' Booster Club is slated to meet tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Athletic Training Center at Big Spring High School. This will be the first meeting of the club that supports girls' athletic programs at the Class 4A high school. All parents are encouraged to attend and the public is invited.

## PREP SLATE

### TODAY

**FOOTBALL**  
**GARDEN CITY** — at Wink, (Scrimmage) 6 p.m.  
**GRADY** — vs. Highland (Scrimmage) 7 p.m.  
**BIG SPRING JV** — vs Sweetwater at Memorial Stadium, 6 p.m.  
**BIG SPRING Freshmen** — at Sweetwater, 5 p.m.

### FRIDAY

**FOOTBALL**  
**BIG SPRING** — at Sweetwater, 7:30 p.m.  
**COAHOMA** — at Hawley, 7:30 p.m.  
**FORSAN** — at Grape Creek, 8 p.m.  
**STANTON** — at Greenwood, 8 p.m.  
**SANDS** — vs. Blackwell (Scrimmage) 6 p.m.

### SATURDAY

**TENNIS**  
**BIG SPRING** — Open

**CROSS COUNTRY**  
**BIG SPRING** — at Brownfield, TBA.

## ON THE AIR

**Radio**  
**BASEBALL**  
7 p.m. — Dallas Cowboys, KBST-AM 1490.

**Television**  
**BASEBALL**  
7 p.m. — Texas Rangers at Minnesota Twins, FSX, Ch. 29.  
**FOOTBALL**  
7 p.m. — Jacksonville Jaguars at Dallas Cowboys, ESPN, Ch. 30.

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL**  
6:30 p.m. — UNLV at Arkansas, ESPN2, Ch. 125.  
**TENNIS**  
10 a.m. — U.S. Open, Men's and Women's opening round coverage from NYC, USA, Ch. 38.  
6 p.m. — U.S. Open, Men's and Women's opening round coverage from NYC, USA, Ch. 38.

**WNBA**  
7 p.m. — Championship Series, Game 1, Los Angeles Sparks at Charlotte Sting, ESPN2, Ch. 125.

# Quick turnaround will be worth it to Cowboys — next week

IRVING (AP) — Maybe next week, the Dallas Cowboys will appreciate the quick turnaround that management and the NFL has forced upon them.

On Thursday night, though, they'll surely be hating it when they face the Jacksonville Jaguars less than 72 hours after playing the Oakland Raiders in Mexico City. "Playing a game on Monday, then Thursday — that has to be unheard of," said safety George Teague, who is accustomed to the Sunday-Thursday turnaround Dallas has every year for Thanksgiving.

"I'll have two days to get my body right, then I've got to bang again. It's a really good way to get hurt." The bizarre scheduling was both planned and unplanned. The Cowboys wanted the preseason finale tonight so they'd have 10 days off until the opener. What they didn't expect was that the NFL would make the Raiders game on Monday night.

"It's going to be tough," owner Jerry Jones said, "but I'd rather

## Jaguars at Cowboys

**WHAT:** NFL Preseason game  
**WHERE:** Texas Stadium, Irving  
**WHEN:** 7:30 p.m.  
**RADIO:** KBST, 7 p.m.  
**TV:** ESPN, Ch. 30  
**RECORDS:** Jacksonville 2-1, Dallas 1-3

have 10 days to get ready for Tampa Bay than more days to play a preseason game."

Fresh off their second preseason victory since 1997, the Cowboys (1-3) will use most of their regulars for at least the first quarter.

The work is needed considering the offensive game plan is still evolving and rookie quarterback Quincy Carter has yet to complete a pass to starting receivers Raghbir Ismail and Joey Galloway. Yet their availability won't be decided until tonight. Both are coming off knee surgery.

The team was off Tuesday, then

had a short workout Wednesday. Players are normally off the day before a game, but coach Dave Campo felt they needed to move around some since it had been two days since they'd played.

"Everyone plays all year sore, a little bit tired, maybe some hurts here and there," Campo said.

"So I think it's a good test for our guys, a way of finding out who can have the mind control the body instead of the body controlling the mind."

Jacksonville coach Tom Coughlin said Dallas' schedule isn't that big of a deal.

"If you can do a good job of regulating how many snaps people get, then you can control that," he said. "Their short turnaround will not have any effect on us or on how we prepare for this game. We'll have a full game plan, a full schedule week for our players, for our coaches. It's a full presentation to the players."

The Jaguars (2-1) are coming off a game in which the starters got behind Kansas City 20-7, then the

backups pulled out a 28-23 victory. Starting quarterback Mark Brunell will play little more than a quarter, followed by Jamie Martin and Jonathan Quinn.

Jacksonville will be without offensive lineman Tony Boselli, receiver Keenan McCardell, tight end Kyle Brady, cornerback Fernando Bryant and outside linebacker T.J. Slaughter.

Slaughter separated a shoulder in practice this week, leaving Jacksonville thin at that spot. Backup Eric Westmoreland has been hurt and a third-stringer was recently released.

Also, receiver R. Jay Soward will play his final game for a month as he's suspended from the first four games for violating the NFL's substance abuse policy.

The overall objective for both teams is not to have any starters get hurt and to make final player evaluations, both for spots on the 53-man roster and in the playing rotation for the opener a week from Sunday.

# Steers set to start season today

## Big Spring freshmen and junior varsity kickoff today, varsity Friday

When the final bell rings at Big Spring High School, about 3:20 p.m. today, football season will finally be here. Although the varsity version of the Steers do not take the field until Friday evening, the junior varsity and freshmen teams will be suiting up today, ready to take on their counterparts at Sweetwater. While the JV team plays host to Sweetwater's Mustangs the varsity Steers will be on the road, opening the 2001 campaign against the Class 3A Mustangs some 60 miles east on I-20 at the Mustang Bowl. The first pep rally is scheduled for 11:40 a.m. Friday before the varsity team travels to Sweetwater for a 7:30 p.m. season start.



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody  
During Monday evening's community-wide pep rally, the Big Spring players above showed their respect and reverence during the playing of the national anthem. Big Spring's freshmen team travels to Sweetwater tomorrow for a 5 p.m. kickoff while the junior varsity hosts the Mustangs at 6 at Memorial Stadium. Meanwhile, the varsity squad starts on the road at Sweetwater Friday at 7:30 p.m.

## Ivanisevic wins; Davenport, Serena Williams advance

NEW YORK (AP) — Wimbledon champion Goran Ivanisevic began the U.S. Open with a straight-set victory over Hugo Armando on Wednesday, one year after one of his most demoralizing losses.

Ivanisevic, who won his first Grand Slam as a wild card in an epic five-set match against Patrick Rafter, had an easier start at the Open, defeating Armando 6-4, 6-4, 6-3.

A year to the day after he flamed out in the first round of the Open and wondered about his tennis future, Ivanisevic flourished. There were 22 aces on a serve that averaged 118 mph. He was occasionally inconsistent, committing 27 unforced errors and nine double faults.

But it was a much better performance than a year ago, when he won just one game in the last three sets against Dominik Hrbaty and said he felt lost on the court.

This time he was smiling broadly, waving to fans between points and thoroughly enjoying himself. "It was great, so many people watching," he said.

Hrbaty, seeded No. 23, defeated Alex Calatrava 6-2, 2-6, 6-2, 6-3 and could

meet Ivanisevic in the third round.

Minutes after Ivanisevic finished his match, top-seeded Gustavo Kuerten also reversed a first-round loss a year ago, advancing with a 6-4, 6-4, 3-6, 7-5 victory over Daniel Vacek.

Kuerten, ranked No. 1 in the world after winning his third French Open in the last five years, used a serve that topped out at 123 mph for 18 aces.

Kuerten converted just three of 14 break-point opportunities, and 33 unforced errors complicated the task.

Earlier, former champions Lindsay Davenport and Serena Williams powered into the third round of the Open, using booming serves and returns to advance in routs.

Davenport, who began her Grand Slam career here in 1991 at age 15 and captured the championship in 1998, beat Emilie Loit 6-0, 6-2 before Williams, the 1999 champion, defeated Denisa Chladkova 6-1, 6-1.

Both former champs needed just 18 minutes to win their first sets and establish the trend of the match. Davenport finished in 42 minutes and Williams in 44.

"So far, so good," Davenport said.

The 10th-seeded Williams experienced none of the trouble she had in

the first round, when she dropped the first set against Anca Barna. She boomed serves as high as 117 mph and zipped seven aces in the easy victory.

"It was a lot better than my first-round match," Williams said.

She believes that, even with her low seeding, she is a threat to win another title.

"I'm actually a better player now," she said. "I have a better game and as much desire, if not more."

Also advancing were No. 12 Meghann Shaughnessy, who defeated Asa Carlsson 7-6 (4), 6-3; Wimbledon finalist Justine Henin, No. 6, who came from behind to defeat Patty Schnyder 6-7, 6-1, 6-4; and No. 17 Carlos Moya, with a 6-3, 7-6 (3), 6-3 victory over wild-card Marty Fish.

Davenport's power game proved too much for Loit.

She was deadly on first serves, missing just three of 21, and her serves, clocked at just under 100 mph, produced 10 aces.

"I've played four or five of the top 10," Loit said. "She is easily the most impressive player I've been up against. The others at least allow you to play a bit. Against her, I could never get into the match."

## Dominican paper chase in Little League Almonte case

MOCA, Dominican Republic (AP) — A public records expert trekked to this remote farming town Wednesday to determine once and for all whether star Little League pitcher Danny Almonte is 12 or 14.

Conflicting documents about Almonte's age have surfaced this week, even as he and his teammates were honored with a parade through the Bronx and a celebration at Yankee Stadium for their play at the Little League World Series.

"Danny! Danny!" chanted thousands of people waving Dominican flags as the Rolando Paulino All-Stars Little League team paraded through the Bronx.

"12 or 14 — so what," said a sign along the parade route. "Why investigate only us ... Why, because we are from the Bronx," said another.

The search by the Dominican Republic government official in Moca, about 90 miles north of Santo Domingo, entails thumbing through books of birth records, verifying the identity numbers of the witnesses who signed the documents, and perhaps finding and interviewing those who notarized them years ago.

"We will evaluate who registered the documents to determine which of the two is false," said Ramon Reyes, a spokesman for the national

public records office. An announcement wasn't expected until late Thursday.

Along with her son's gold-plated baseball trophies and newspaper clippings, Sonia Rojas Breton has a handwritten, photocopied birth certificate that says he was born April 7, 1989.

Ten blocks away, the town's official records office has another birth certificate that says Danny was born April 7, 1987.

Still another handwritten document obtained by the New York Daily News from Dr. Toribio Bencosme Hospital in Moca states that Rojas gave birth to a boy on April 7, 1987.

Rojas, who says she gave birth to Danny at home with the help of a midwife, insists all documents but hers are false.

"I don't know why those people are lying," Rojas told The Associated Press Tuesday at her cement home. "They must envy Danny."

The handwritten hospital record, seen by an AP reporter on Wednesday, is in a tattered school notebook and lists the names of 30 other women who gave birth the same day. It is not notarized, nor is it signed by a hospital official.

"According to hospital records, he was born in 1987," Fernando Tejada said.

## With season set to start, officials still locked out by NFL

NEW YORK (AP) — On the table is the NFL's latest offer, a 40 percent increase immediately and a doubled salary by 2003. The officials, who work part time, are seeking parity with baseball, NBA and NHL officials, who are full-timers. That could increase their salary by 400 percent.

Under the offer, an official entering his fifth season who made \$42,295 last year for regular-season and preseason games plus various meetings and clinics, would make \$62,103 in 2001. In 2003, he would earn \$84,470.

An official entering his 10th season who made \$64,215 last year would be paid \$95,000 this season and \$128,400 in 2003.

At the top of the scale, an official entering his 21st season who made \$82,390 last year would earn \$120,998 this season. He would get \$139,555 in 2003.

Condon is used to waiting until the last minute to make a deal in his capacity as an agent.

"We reviewed their offer and thought their offer was inappropriate and didn't address the contribution that the officials make to the game," Condon said. "They thought our offer was excessive and asked for too much." It also would be the first work stoppage of any kind since Tagliabue became commissioner in 1989.

Condon and Tagliabue met for four hours Tuesday night after the commissioner returned from Mexico City instead of staying for the Cowboys-Raiders exhibition game.

Aiello said Tagliabue suggested that they meet again for two hours Tuesday morning and that Condon failed to hand over a counterproposal until the last 15 minutes.

After the meeting broke up, Condon said the league had told him "that if we don't have a resolution by this week, they're going to go ahead with replacement officials."

"We're without a contract, and we don't think it's appropriate for us to continue on until we achieve some resolution."

Last week, the NFL hired 106 replacement officials and paid them \$4,000 apiece for two games, whether or not there was a work stoppage.

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# Rangers, Astros both on a roll

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Dustan Mohr couldn't have done much better in his major league debut. Mohr had three RBIs, saved a run with a sliding catch and made his tough-to-please manager smile Wednesday night as the Minnesota Twins held on to beat the Texas Rangers 10-8. Minnesota is 5 games behind the Cleveland Indians in the AL Central. Mohr, who snared Bill Haselman's line drive with two on and no outs in the top of the fifth, hit a two-run single to cap a four-run rally in the bottom half. He impressed Twins manager Tom Kelly by fouling several pitches off against Rangers reliever Pat Mahomes with his bases-loaded sacrifice fly in the seventh that gave Minnesota a 7-3 lead. The struggling Twins bullpen nearly blew another one after starter Eric Milton (13-5) pitched seven strong innings. The Rangers scored five runs in the last two innings against Bob Wells, Eddie Guardado and Todd Jones. LaTroy Hawkins earned his 28th save and got Ivan Rodriguez to ground out to end the game.

## Astros 6, Reds 2

HOUSTON (AP) — Moises Alou and Jeff Bagwell each drove in two runs as the Houston Astros beat the Cincinnati Reds 6-2 Wednesday night to maintain their four-game lead in the NL Central.

The Astros won for the 10th time in 12 games and kept pace over the second place Chicago Cubs, who beat Florida 5-1.

Bagwell's two-run double in the fifth inning off Elmer Dessens (9-11) broke a 2-all tie.

Carlos Hernandez, called up from Double-A Round Rock on Aug. 15, made his third major league start and gave up his first runs after a string of 17 2-3 scoreless innings.

Reds left fielder Adam Dunn hit a two-run homer off Hernandez that tied the score at 2 in the fifth inning and ended Hernandez's streak.

Alou, the leading hitter in the majors at .353, hit a solo home run in the second, his 24th, and had a sacrifice fly in the fourth inning to give Houston a 2-0 lead.

Vinny Castilla's double and Tony Eusebio's single provided two more Astros runs in the sixth.

Nelson Cruz (3-2) pitched 1 1-3 innings for the victory.

Hernandez didn't allow a hit until Sean Casey doubled off the left-field wall with one out in the fourth inning.

Dmitri Young struck out and Ruben Rivera walked before Juan Castro singled behind second base as Casey rounded third and headed home. Second baseman Craig Biggio fielded the ball and threw home in time for catcher Tony Eusebio to make the tag.

Dessens allowed four runs and eight hits in five innings.

### Notes:

Ken Griffey Jr. needs one homer to tie Jose Canseco for 22nd on the list of career home run hitters with 458 homers. ... Roy Oswalt, Houston's starting pitcher on Thursday, celebrated his 24th birthday Wednesday. ... Dessens made his career high 28th start of the season.

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## A Message From Our First Lady

# Meet Laura Bush



President and Mrs. Bush walk across the South Lawn of the White House.

Laura Bush is our first lady. She is the wife of the president of the United States. This is the second time she has been a first lady.

When her husband was the governor of Texas, she was the first lady of Texas. As the wife of a governor, she also was called a first lady.

First ladies are very busy. Their job includes being wives, mothers, advisers and hostesses.

First ladies also usually choose a special cause to work for while their husband is in office.

Mrs. Bush knows a lot about the role a first lady must play. Her mother-in-law, Barbara Bush, was the first lady when her husband, George H.W. Bush, was president (1989-1993).

### Q & A's for Mrs. Bush

Mrs. Bush took time out of her busy schedule to answer some questions for The Mini Page's readers.

**Mini Page:** What top goals would you like to accomplish as first lady?

**Mrs. Bush:** I'm focused on issues I am most passionate about — reading, education and children.

I'm excited about using the opportunity I have, because my husband is president, as a platform to encourage young people to pursue the rewarding career of teaching, and to inspire parents, caregivers and family members to read to children as early as possible.

### Laura Bush facts

**Name:** Laura Welch Bush  
**Born:** Nov. 4, 1946

**Parents:** Harold Welch, a homebuilder, and Jenna Welch, who kept the books for his company. Laura is their only child. Harold Welch died in 1995.

**Hometown:** Midland, a small town in west Texas that is a center for the oil business.

**Education:** has degree in education and a master's degree in library science.

**Married:** to George W. Bush on Nov. 5, 1977.

**Occupation:** elementary school teacher (second grade) and later a librarian.

**Children:** 19-year-old twins: Jenna and Barbara, born on Nov. 25, 1981. The girls were named after their grandmothers.

**Hobbies:** reading, watching movies and sports such as baseball and football on TV.

**Religion:** Both Mr. and Mrs. Bush are members of the United Methodist Church.

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**Goldie Goodsport's Report**

**Supersport: Elise Ray**

Birthdate: 2-8-82  
Birthplace: Tallahassee, Fla.  
College: University of Michigan

Elise Ray is one of the best gymnasts in the world. She was on the U.S. team that competed at last summer's Olympics. The team came in fourth.

She also won the championship at last year's national championships.

Elise began the sport in 1988 and joined the national team in 1996. She trains about 20 to 25 hours a week.

She grew up in Columbia, Md., with one brother. Her father is a psychotherapist and her mother, a former ballet dancer, is a nurse. Her hobbies include collecting picture frames and making scrapbooks. She would like to be a veterinarian when she is older.

**Meet Sara Evans**

Ten years ago, singer Sara Evans moved to Nashville hoping to make it big as a country singer. Her dream came true. Among her many hits is the record "No Place That Far."

She grew up in Missouri with six siblings. At 4, she began performing with her family's band, in which she sang and played the mandolin. She began recording her own music when she was a teen-ager.

Before her career took off, Sara had several jobs, including working as a waitress. She also lived in Oregon for a while.

Sara lives with her husband, musician Craig Schelske, and their son, Avery, in Nashville.

**Mini Jokes**

The following jokes all have something in common. Can you guess what the common theme or category is?

Wilson: What do mechanics do in exercise class?  
Randy: Touch their tow trucks!

Liza: What happens when plumbers die?  
Terry: They go down the drain!

Robert: What did the bald actor ask himself?  
Pam: "Toupee or not toupee, that is the question!"

**First Lady Questions and Answers**

**Mini Page:** How important do you consider reading?  
**Mrs. Bush:** Reading is the most important skill people learn in school. If you can read, you can be successful in every subject. Reading is also a necessary skill for a successful life. That is why I believe it is important to help encourage caregivers to read to their children as early as possible. Children who are able to read are able to learn.

**Mini Page:** What did you like about being a librarian and a second-grade teacher?  
**Mrs. Bush:** As a teacher, I realized that teachers do much more than teach. They mentor and support, serve as strong role models, and most important, make a real impact on the lives and education of America's children.

(A mentor is someone who offers help and guidance to another person.)

As a librarian, it was fun to share my passion for reading with students and to share some of my favorite books when I read to them.

**Mini Page:** Did you read as a child?  
**Mrs. Bush:** Yes, reading is a lifelong passion of mine. One of my favorite childhood activities was when my mother and I shared books with each other.

**Mini Page:** What were some of your favorite books?  
**Mrs. Bush:** I enjoyed the "Little House on the Prairie" series by Laura Ingalls Wilder — especially since the main character and I shared the same name. Another favorite was "Little Women" by Louisa May Alcott.

**Mini Page:** What were some of your daughters' favorite books growing up?  
**Mrs. Bush:** We loved the Maurice Sendak books, like "Where the Wild Things Are" and "In the Night Kitchen." We read all of the Dr. Seuss books. "Goodnight Moon" was a special favorite when the girls were babies.

**Mini Page:** Can you tell us something about the "first pets"? (The president's pets are often called the "first pets.")  
**Mrs. Bush:** The president and I share the White House with three pets. Spotty is our oldest pet, and was born in the White House on St. Patrick's Day, 1989. She is an English springer spaniel, and is the daughter of Millie, who belonged to former President George Bush and Mrs. Barbara Bush.

Barney is our new puppy. He is a Scottish terrier and loves to explore the White House grounds. We also have a cat named India who has been with us since 1989. She is a bit shy and spends most of her time upstairs in the residence.

Mrs. Bush reads to second-graders at an elementary school in San Fernando, Calif.

Two of the Bush family pets play on the South Lawn. Barney, the new puppy, is a Scottish terrier. Spotty is the oldest pet. She is a springer spaniel. India the cat is not in the picture.

Look through your newspaper for news about the president or the first lady.

Next week, The Mini Page celebrates International Literacy Day with tips on nonfiction reading.

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19)\*\*\*\*\* Recent plans and decisions finally come together, allowing you to move on. Split for Labor Day Weekend; if nothing else, do so mentally if you have chosen to stay close to home. Extend an invitation to a couple of friends to come on over for a game of cards, volleyball or for just plain relaxing. Tonight: The fun begins now!  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)\*\*\*\* While others flip on out the door to their weekend, you're left holding the

bag. Actually you might like the peace and quiet while you try to tie up loose ends: Reorganize a personal project as well. Increase your efficiency. Tonight: Buy some goodies for the weekend.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)\*\*\*\*\*Your mind drifts toward escape, the weekend and what you would like to have happen. Daydream all you want with the knowledge that it's OK. Don't be so hard on yourself or so self-disciplined. Creativity and flirtation mix well. Old lovers add a twinkle. Tonight: Christen the weekend.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)\*\*\*\*\* Your fondness for a loved one comes out. Plan your day around this person, at least as soon as you can complete a must-do project. Take some time away from everyone to center before you formally begin the weekend. Make it OK to snooze. Tonight: Be a duo.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)\*\*\*\* Don't struggle with the inevitable. Just go along with the flow. A change in your agenda can work well if you consider what options you do have. Fill up your time with friends and loved ones. Don't forget an important talk with a neighbor. Tonight: Be available!  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)\*\*\* You might need some encouragement to get out. A family member might be manipulative, but they wouldn't be doing this unless it had already proven successful. You can be practical, by balancing your checkbook before you launch into the weekend. Tonight: Slow works.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)\*\*\*\* Wherever you focus, you add that extra vavoom. Others welcome your thoughts and ideas. Start expressing yourself more often. You don't need to be quite so diplomatically correct. News from a distance provokes thought. Tonight: Your words fall on willing ears, and your actions bring happy smiles.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)\*\*\* Make family a high priority. Your ability to understand finances and revamp them to get what you want develops into a

fine art. You note possibilities, never leaving a stone unturned. A partner might not understand your methods or money-managing. Tonight: You don't have to go far from home.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)\*\*\*\*\* Your thinking alters dramatically from yesterday. You might even wonder if you know yourself. If someone appears stern, it just might be that they don't know how to react to you. Step 1 is to communicate your wishes. You have more in common with a friend than you realize. Tonight: Out and about.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)\*\*\*\* Put in overtime if you need to. A boss or associate appreciates your efforts - far more than you realize. You work many long days; no wonder you are tired. Recognize your own physical limits. Visit with an older friend over lunch. Tonight: Drag yourself home.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)\*\*\*\*\* You are the zodiac star as the moon beams in your sign. No one can rain on your parade but you! A child or loved one might be distant. Choose not to take it personally. Reach out for someone at a distance. Invite them to come visit. Tonight: Whatever you want.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)\*\*\* Fatigue could mar your mood. Understand that you are tired and need some time off. Pushing someone can only cause a problem. Be direct with a boss or associate. Let them know where you are coming from. Cancel plans if need be. Tonight: Get your Zs.

Age difference should not deter couple's happiness

Dear Ann Landers: For the past four months, I have been in a deepening friendship with a man who is 30 years younger than I am. (I am divorced, in my mid-50s, and he is in his mid-20s.)



ANN LANDERS

"Tony" and I have a wonderful time when we're together - talking, walking, laughing, going to the movies, watching football games, eating, reading -- just about everything. I have no doubt that if we were closer in age, we would be talking about marriage. But that big age difference, especially when the woman is the older one, makes marriage hard to imagine.

My grandparents on both sides lived into their 80s and 90s, and were active until the end, so that's encouraging, but we can both do the math. We realize that when Tony is 30, I will be 60, and when he is 60, I will be 90. We know that all couples have problems, but we're worried that ours might be more difficult than most, in spite of our compatibility.

I don't remember seeing anything about this in any of your columns, and I've been a faithful fan of yours from before Tony was born. I'm hoping that some of your readers will have some insight for us, either positive or negative, based on some personal experience. -- No Name, No City, No State, No Hope?

Dear No Name: Since you have been a regular reader for years, I am surprised you haven't seen the many letters I have printed on this subject. In fact, a few years ago, I asked my female readers who had married younger men if they were glad they did. The vast majority said they couldn't be happier.

Granted, the age difference is a big one, but I wouldn't advise you to end the relationship based on that. There are no guarantees in relationships. You could marry a man your age and be divorced within six months. The same goes for Tony. More and more, age is becoming only a number in relationships. Unless Tony wants children, it sounds as if you two are totally compatible,

and that bodes well for the future. I wish you luck and many happy years together.

Dear Ann Landers: I have been married for two years to "Ned," a wonderful, gentle, caring man. We are both 47 years old.

The problem is Ned's hair. I have a terrible time getting him to cut it. We've had dozens of arguments over this. I hope I don't sound too shallow, but appearance is important to me. Ned looks so much better when his hair is neatly trimmed. He dresses well and is really a good-looking man, but his head is a mop of tight curls that has grown so long, it is unkempt and bushy. We were in a restaurant recently and a waiter mistook him for a woman. You'd think that would have done the trick, but it didn't. He just laughed it off.

Ned told me he dislikes going to the barber and has had a problem with it since he was a child. Whatever his phobia might be, don't you think it's time he got over it? I have tried everything I can think of to encourage Ned to get haircuts regularly, but nothing works. I feel hurt that he doesn't care enough to look neat for his wife. Any suggestions? -- Blue Indigo in Iowa

Dear Indigo in Iowa: Offer to go with Ned to the barber "for company," and then maybe to a movie and dinner afterward. In other words, make the haircut part of a festive day (and night, too, if you know what I mean). If all this sounds like a bribe, so be it. I say, whatever works.

Gem of the Day (credit Phyllis Diller): I was in a beauty contest a while back. Not only did I come in last, I was hit in the mouth by Miss Congeniality.

Dear Ann Landers: My 11-year-old daughter and I had an argument today, and I slapped her across the face. I have never done anything like this before, and I am totally ashamed of myself.

I apologized and she has forgiven me, but I am sick at heart and cannot believe I flew off the handle like that. We argue a lot these days, and I'm afraid this might happen again. Please advise me. -- Midwest Mom

Dear Mom: It is not unusual for preteen girls and their mothers to have bitter arguments. Withholding privileges is the best way to discipline an 11-year-old, but it isn't always easy to keep your anger in check.

Admitting that you have a problem with your temper is the first step in finding a solution. Please see a counselor to find out what you are doing wrong and what steps you can take to make things better. You DO need help with your daughter, and I hope you get it soon.

Dear Ann Landers: I have been married to "Clark" for 10 years. In the last two years, he has started to drive me crazy.

Clark will not let me out of his sight. He calls me at work several times a day to ask what I am doing. When I come home, he wants details on who I had lunch with. If I get a day off of work, he arranges to have a day off so we can be together.

Why has Clark become so possessive? I get the feeling he doesn't trust me, and I feel suffocated. I haven't mentioned this to anyone, but his constant "presence" and questioning are becoming a serious problem. I need some advice. -- Too Much Togetherness in Tennessee

Dear Tennessee: Show Clark this column. Tell him the letter is yours. Ask for an explanation. His paranoia is ruining your marriage, and he should go with you for counseling to try to save it -- if it isn't too late. I wish you luck.

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Channel	Time	Program	Channel	Time	Program	Channel	Time	Program	Channel	Time	Program	Channel	Time	Program	Channel	Time	Program	Channel	Time	Program	Channel	Time	Program			
KMID (2)	6:30	News (CC)	KPEJ (3)	6:30	Cosby (CC)	KERA (5)	6:30	Wishbone	FAM (6)	6:30	Major League	KOSA (7)	6:30	News Ent. Tonight	WFAA (8)	6:30	News (CC)	KWES (9)	6:30	News (CC)	WTBS (11)	6:30	Fresh Prince	UNI (13)	6:30	Carita de Angel
	7:30	Whose Line?		7:30	NFL Press-		7:30	European Rail		7:30	Boston Red		7:30	Whose Line?		7:30	Friends (CC)		7:30	Baseball		7:30	Amigas y		7:30	Movie: Jumping Ship
	8:30	Be a Millionaire		8:30	son Football		8:30	Mystery (CC)		8:30	Cleveland		8:30	Big Brother 2		8:30	Be a Millionaire		8:30	Will & Grace		8:30	Expos at		8:30	Phantom of the
	9:30	Primetime Thursday		9:30	Jaguars at		9:30	Nova (CC)		9:30	Scariest		9:30	CBS: Crime		9:30	Primetime Thursday		9:30	ER (CC)		9:30	Braves (CC)		9:30	Movie: The Naked Gun
	10:30	News (CC)		10:30	boys		10:30	News-Letter		10:30	700 Club (CC)		10:30	News (35)		10:30	News (CC)		10:30	News (35) Tonight		10:30	& Hoop		10:30	Mad TV
	11:30	Politically Inc.		11:30	(CC)		11:30	Frontline (CC)		11:30	Who's Boss?		11:30	Show (CC)		11:30	Ent. Tonight		11:30	Show (CC)		11:30	(35) Movie:		11:30	Movie: Election
	12:30	Paid Program		12:30	Attorney		12:30	Paid Program		12:30	Late Late		12:30	(12:05)		12:30	Night (CC)		12:30	Cobra		12:30	El Premio		12:30	Movie: Too Beautiful

**DENNIS THE MENACE**

"COME ON IN, MARGARET. WE'RE JUST WASHING OFF ALL THE MUD."

**FAMILY CIRCUS**

"PJ caught the ball!"

**HAGAR**

"GUESS WHAT? I'VE DECIDED TO GET MARRIED!"

"GREAT! WHO'S THE LUCKY LADY?"

"I DON'T KNOW YET -"

"SO FAR I'VE JUST DECIDED TO GET MARRIED!"

**BLONDIE**

"HOW LONG HAS THIS BEEN GOING ON?"

"UM, JUST A MINUTE OR SO BOSS"

"A BRILLIANT EFFORT LIKE THIS SHOULD BE ENJOYED FOR AT LEAST AN HOUR"

"AND IF ONE PIECE SHOULD FALL BEFORE THEN... YOU'RE FIRED!"

**B.C.**

"WHAT'S WORSE FOR A MAJOR CORPORATION THAN NOT MAKING THE 'FORTUNE 500'?"

"BEING 500 AND ONE."

**GEECH**

"ISN'T IT ABOUT TIME FOR YOU TO GO HOME?"

"I JUST GOT HERE."

"THAT'S WHAT I MEANT."

**WIZARD OF ID**

"WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR FOUR-MAN CHAIR?"

"I'M CONSERVING ENERGY"

**HI AND LOIS**

"WHAT DID YOU DO FOR ENTERTAINMENT WHEN YOU WERE OUR AGE, MR. WAVERING?"

"WE USED TO SING SONGS AROUND THE PIANO IN THE PARLOR!"

"THAT SOUNDS LIKE FUN!"

"CAN WE GET A PIANO?"

"AND A PARLOR TO PUT IT IN?"

**GASOLINE ALLEY**

"How do you like my new Life Ring pendant, Corky?"

"Yours? I thought the folks got them?"

"They did! But they can't grasp when to push the buttons!"

"Oh, well! We tried! At least their wearing them gives us a sense of security!"

**SNUFFY SMITH**

"DADBURN SMART ALECKABLE!!"

"FARMER TITUS TOOK UP TAXIDERMISTRY!!"

**BETLE BAILY**

"I JUST DISCOVERED THE AUTE BUTTON!"

**THIS DATE IN HISTORY**

**The ASSOCIATED PRESS**  
Today is Thursday, Aug. 30, the 242nd day of 2001. There are 123 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
On Aug. 30, 1862, Union forces were defeated by the Confederates at the Second Battle of Bull Run in Manassas, Va.

On this date:  
In 30 B.C. (on Aug. 30, by some estimates), the seventh and most famous queen of ancient Egypt known as Cleopatra committed suicide.  
In 1905, Ty Cobb made his major league batting debut, playing for the Detroit Tigers.  
In 1941, the World War II siege of Leningrad began.  
In 1945, Gen. Douglas MacArthur arrived in Japan, and set up Allied occupation headquarters.  
In 1963, the "Hot Line" communications link

between Washington and Moscow went into operation.  
In 1967, the Senate confirmed the appointment of Thurgood Marshall as the first black justice on the Supreme Court.  
In 1983, Guion S. Bluford Jr. became the first black American astronaut to travel in space, blasting off aboard the Challenger.  
In 1986, Soviet authorities arrested Nicholas Daniloff, the Moscow correspondent for U.S. News and World Report. He was later released.  
In 1987, a redesigned space shuttle booster, created in the wake of the Challenger disaster, soared into life in its first full-scale test-firing near Brigham City, Utah.  
In 1997 came word of the car crash in Paris that claimed the lives of Princess Diana, Dodi Fayed and their driver, Henri Paul. (Because of the time difference, it was Aug. 31 where the crash occurred.)  
Ten years ago, Azerbaijan declared its independence, joining the stampede of

republics seeking to secede from the Soviet Union.

**Today's Birthdays:**  
Baseball Hall-of-Famer Ted Williams is 83. Country singer Kitty Wells is 82. Opera singer Regina Resnik is 79. Actor Bill Daily is 73. Actress Elizabeth Ashley is 62. Actor Ben Jones is 60. Cartoonist R. Crumb is 58. Skier Jean-Claude Killy is 58. Actress Peggy Lipton is 54. Actor Timothy Bottoms is 50. Actor David Paymer is 47. Actor Michael Chiklis is 38. Actress Michael Michele is 35. Country singer Sherrie Austin is 30. Actress Cameron Diaz is 29. TV personality Lisa Ling ("The View") is 28. Singer Rich Cronan (LFO) is 26.

**Newsday Crossword**

**SEEING RED** by Daniel R. Stark  
Edited by Stanley Newman

- ACROSS**
- 1 Liquid amts.
- 4 No-fat Jack
- 9 Actual
- 13 Soft mineral
- 15 Shade of purple
- 16 Visitor to Siam
- 17 Worshipped one
- 18 Clueless
- 19 Hat feature
- 20 Senate employee
- 21 Type of firecracker
- 23 Sacred repositories
- 25 Earthenware pots
- 26 Saloon amenities
- 29 Lobster center
- 32 Jockey Cordero
- 33 Processed, as lumber
- 34 Hoover's org.
- 37 Bright-colored songbirds
- 41 Road coating
- 42 Like some tableclothes
- 43 Act as censor
- 44 Oscar winner for Streetcar
- 46 Warm and snug
- 47 Court event
- 50 Tends the grass
- 51 42nd Street star
- 55 Goalie's feat
- 59 Basilica projection
- 60 Retail giant
- 61 Paradise
- 62 Crystal gazer
- 63 Rousseau novel
- 64 Hourglass contents
- 65 Egg producers
- 66 Social activities
- 67 AMA members
- 9 Hoi polloi
- 10 Register
- 11 Inner self
- 12 Gentle people
- 14 Less grimy
- 22 Hither and
- 24 Diner freebie
- 26 Beyond
- 27 Cuzco founder
- 28 Petri-dish medium
- 29 Make a pair
- 30 Not home
- 31 Quaint hotel
- 33 Animal with antlers
- 34 Service charges
- 35 Author Harte
- 36 Cosby's first TV series
- 38 New Haven student
- 39 Take (acknowledge applause)
- 40 Stemware
- 44 Coats of paint
- 45 Forest browser
- 46 Nutty cakes
- 47 Stuff to discard
- 48 Delhi currency
- 49 Ghosts playwright
- 50 Actress Oberon
- 52 Supplemented, with "out"
- 53 Actress Thompson
- 54 Café au
- 56 Hoss' brother
- 57 Hawk
- 58 Gridiron positions