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## WEATHER

Tonight:



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TONIGHT 62°-67° TOMORROW 85°-90°

## Missing woman returns

A 19-year old woman reported missing Friday returned home Saturday night, according to Howard County Sheriff Dale Walker.

"She's located and she's safe," Walker said of Jaclyn Alexis Bradley. "She turned up Saturday night. She arrived home around 10 p.m."

Walker said Bradley had simply left without telling her family.

The family was concerned for her safety because she phoned her mother to say her car was stranded at mile marker 188 on Interstate 20 in Howard County.

Walker said the sheriff's department is no longer involved because Bradley is not a minor and there is no evidence that a crime was committed.

## WHAT'S UP...

### TODAY

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.

Big Spring-Howard County Retired Teachers Association meets for 1:30 lunch at the Howard College Cactus room.

DAV chapter 47 meets at 6:30 p.m. at 610 Abrams.

Christian Singles Fellowship meets from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church youth hall. All singles in the community are welcome to come for an evening of fellowship, food and table games.

### TUESDAY

Intermediate Line Dance class, 9 a.m., Senior Citizens Center.

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

Big Spring Art Association meets at 7 p.m. at 500 Main in the basement of the Howard County Library.

Big Spring chapter 67, Order of the Eastern Star meets at 7:30 p.m.

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## DAR members encourage study, reflection on Constitution

Herald Staff Report

"We the People of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, ensure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America."

These words of the preamble to the Constitution were written more than 200 years ago and today is the 214th anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States of America.

The president of the United States has designated this week "Constitution Week," as have Big Spring Mayor Russ McEwen and Howard County Judge Ben

Lockhart.

The Captain Elisha Mack Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution encourages all citizens to study the Constitution, reflect on the privilege of being an American with all the rights and responsibilities that privilege involves.

"The Constitution does state our rights and privileges; that also encourages a responsibility on our part," said DAR member Sara Tipton.

According to Tipton, those responsibilities include abiding by the laws and rules stated in the Constitution, as well as taking responsibility by voting and being good citizens.

Tipton said there was a great price to pay for the United States to

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HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Thirteen-year-old Lucy Yanez holds a picture of the signing of the constitution while 7-year-old Joshua Espinosa, left, and 8-year-old Stephen Yanez looks on at the Howard County Library Saturday. Today is the 214th anniversary of the drafting of the Constitution of the United States.

## Citizens show 'Spirit of America' Ready

By LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Showing support for the nation, more than 30 people gathered on the Howard County Courthouse steps, the site of Saturday's Citizen's Spirit of America Rally.

Local residents Errol and Kay Porter organized the rally, which featured patriotic music played by the Texas Regimental Fife and Drum Corps dressed in Civil War clothing.

"Ten years ago almost to this date, America became engaged in another war, in the form of Desert Storm and Desert Shield, Feb. 1991," Errol Porter told the crowd. "This time the war was brought to our own shores in the form of a brutal and unforgiving terrorist attack on the American people in New York and the military and civilian people in our nation's capital."

"I am sure that I speak for most of everyone when I say, the president of the United States has our full and undivided support in what every he deems the right action that needs to be taken to find out who was



HERALD photo/Lyndel Moody

Clarence Hartfield, left, Christ Community Fellowship pastor Malcolm Pointon and Big Spring Police officer Lt. Terry Chamness stand at attention while the national anthem is played. More than 30 people attending the Citizen's Spirit of America Rally Saturday.

the main instigator of this attack on America. God speed to the president, the Washington officials and to

our military in their efforts." As area law enforcement officers and firefighters stood at atten-

tion around the U.S. flag flying on the courthouse flag

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## Herald announces changes in paper's staff

Herald Staff Report

The Big Spring Herald announces three new additions to its family along with a promotion in the editorial department.

Carlos Gonzales returns to the Herald after a three-year absence, taking over the position of circulation manager this past week.

"I wanted to return because of the people who



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work here," Gonzales said. "The atmosphere of the employees. This is a real

home." It's almost like a home away from home."

Gonzales recently returned to Big Spring after spending three years as the circulation manager for the Hobbs New Sun in Hobbs, N.M.

A native of Big Spring, Gonzales graduated from Big Spring High School in 1984 and has been married for 10 years to his wife, Monica.

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## Busy schedule laid groundwork for daughter's future

By VALERY AVERY

Herald Correspondent

For the longest time, Kaye Wylie didn't give much thought about her daughter, D'lene's future. She was too busy in the here, and now.

At times, she felt as if she was treading water, floundering to keep her head above what sometimes felt like relentless waves pounding against her body and not giving her a chance to regroup. There was therapy to schedule and schoolwork to be done. On top of that were the constant pressures of being a full-time employee, wife and mother.

What she didn't realize until now was that she was laying the groundwork for D'lene's future, even though she was steadfastly working in the present. The late nights when she stayed up until 11 p.m. allowing D'lene to work in a Lubbock hospital or taking her to work as a custodian until 9 p.m., while cooling her heels in the parking lot, or waiting for her to water plants at a Lubbock nursery.

Even though she was helping D'lene learn to be self-

sufficient — what seemed at the time, just another day of therapy — she was preparing her for a future. Only until recently, did Wylie come to grips that D'lene's future would be without her and her husband, Robert.

"I remember going to ARC (Association of Retarded Citizens) meetings in Lubbock when D'lene was young and thinking 'They're not helping us younger folks.' I needed help, but their kids were much older and they were preparing for what would happen to their children when they died. And here I was trying to get her to walk and talk."

Those meetings in Lubbock, soon after doctors diagnosed D'lene with cerebral palsy and mental retardation brought on by PKU — something that the state of Texas now mandates all newborns be tested for — seems light years away.

D'lene was a happy baby, sometimes fussy with colic but the joy of her parent's life as the firstborn child. When she was 9 months old, Wylie felt something just wasn't right.

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Courtesy photo

Kay and D'lene Wylie pose with their dog, Muffin, in the living room of their Big Spring home. D'lene, who has mental retardation and cerebral palsy, will be taken care of through a state trust fund her parents began participating in several years ago. Money invested in the fund will be used to pay for D'lene's care, which is coordinated by caseworkers at West Texas Centers for Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

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OBITUARIES

O.F. Priest

O.F. Priest Jr., 78, of Big Spring, passed away Sunday, Sept. 16, 2001, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday, at Myers & Smith Chapel with the Rev. Lynn Robertson officiating.

O.F. or "Ofe" as he was called by his friends was always known as a jolly and happy fellow. O.F. was born Oct. 11, 1922, in Rochester. He had been a resident of Big Spring since 1937 and graduated from Big Spring High School. He served his country during World War II. He was an employee of Texas Electric for 38 years retiring in 1983. O.F. was an avid outdoorsman, enjoying fishing and hunting. He was a Methodist. He married Lee Robertson Bryans Nov. 11, 1972, in Big Spring.

He is survived by his wife Lee of Big Spring; her three children John Bryans and his wife Jenny of Big Spring, Kenny Kay Stephens of Big Spring and Kelli Bryans Caton and her husband Carl of San Antonio; one brother Deon Priest of Arkansas; six grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother Norman Priest.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Community Care Hospice, 1510 Gregg St., Big Spring 79720 or the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 9863, Austin 78766.

The family will be at 2511 Carol.

Arrangements are under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Lloyd Click

Funeral service for Lloyd Click, 91, of Big Spring will be 10 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 18, 2001, at Myers & Smith Funeral Chapel with Ralph Anderson, Minister of the Birdwell Lane Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Click died Sunday, Sept. 16, at a local nursing home following a long illness.

He was born June 26, 1910, in Collinsville and married Ophelia Bell on Dec. 27, 1930, in Colorado City. He had been a resident of Howard County

for Mental Retardation Services. When the Wylies die, proceeds from the sale of their home and their assets will be placed in a trust to take care of D'lene. Two nieces who will oversee D'lene's care will notify West Texas Centers concerning D'lene's particular needs. If she needs a set of pans to cook with, the trust will be appraised of the cost of purchasing the pans and send a check to purchase the cookware.

"A long time ago, when parents died, the children went into state schools," said Wylie. "Today there are just so many options. D'lene can continue to live on her own and work and earn her own money for expenses. This way, we know her big expenses will be taken care of."

"I really saw the need for this when a bible salesman came to the door and I was away at work. He talked D'lene into buying a \$45 bible. I called the company later and told them about her condition, but they said she signed a contract. I saw how vulnerable she was. You just have to be so careful."

The Texas Master Pooled Trust gives Wylie peace of mind about her daughter's future.

"Being the ordinary mother, you have those feelings, but mine are different. Because she will never fully be grown."

West Texas Centers for MHMR serves more than 2,200 people with mental health and mental retardation needs each month in 23 rural West Texas counties. For more information on services, call (915) 263-0007.

"There was a great price to pay," Tipton said. "Many men fought hard in the American Revolution for us to be a free country and establish our own laws and not be governed by foreign influences."

The freedoms we enjoy have been paid for many times with the lives of U.S. servicemen and service-women, as well as civilians, since the revolution, she added.

In studying the Constitution, Tipton concluded, we honor their sacrifices.

PREPARING

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"I told the doctor, she's not crawling. She'll stand up, but she won't crawl. He was the nicest man, but he said, 'Oh, she's just a fat, happy baby. She's just too content not to crawl.'"

But Wylie would not be persuaded and pushed for more tests. When D'lene's problems became apparent, Wylie was "engrossed in research to find the best care for her daughter, including schooling, nutrition and therapy. Later on, she became an advocate for mental retardation organizations in Lubbock and Howard counties, where the family has resided at one time or another for the past 40 years."

When D'lene became eligible for care through Texas' mental health and mental retardation community services system (now locally operated by West Texas Centers for MHMR) in the mid-1980s, the organization became partners with the Wylie's in preparing D'lene for life without parents.

"I probably knew her future was more secure when she entered the state system," Wylie said. "When she was accepted into it, I was not as worried."

Community based services prepared D'lene for employment in numerous fields before she finally started working in retail 10 years ago. West Texas Centers job coaches now drive D'lene to her job and take her home. Early on, staff trained her until she was ready to be independent.

But perhaps one of the most beneficial programs the state is administering is taking care of D'lene's finances after her parents pass away. The Texas Master Pooled Trust — set up more than five years ago by mental retardation advocates to protect people in D'lene's situation — invests money for their future.

"In D'lene's case, it protects her assets without limiting her ability to plan for the future," said Rodney Jones, WTCMHMR director

for Mental Retardation Services.

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READY

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the cruelty of the Japanese during World War II. If not because of that, I wouldn't be where I am now."

The terroristic attack on the World Trade Center on Sept. 11 impacted Sulatan very personally.

"It was terrible," she said. "I was living in New York at the first bombing of the World Trade Center. New York is not a very big city (in area). It has a lot of tall buildings that makes it look like a big city."

After hearing about the plane attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C., Sulatan became very worried about some of her family members.

"My brother-in-law works in the World Trade Center," she said. "He lives in New Jersey and takes the ferry. In fact, I spoke to him that morning."

Sulatan's brother-in-law was on the ferry when terrorists crashed the two hijacked planes into the buildings, an act that destroyed the two tallest structures in New York and caused devastation around 10-square-block area in lower Manhattan.

"He was late to work that day. After the second plane crashed the ferry turned around," she said.

Sulatan's aunt was in one of the twin towers of the World Trade Center when the first plane crashed into the building. Her aunt was also working at the World Trade Center at the first bombing.

"My aunt works on the 26th floor," Sulatan said. "After the first crash she said she was not going to

A BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

Hospital, In Home Care and Marcy House before joining the Herald staff.

Another native of Big Spring, Medlin is a local professional artist whose works have been displayed in the Byrd House Gallery and Tea Room.

In July, Roger Cline joined the editorial staff of the Big Spring Herald as the city reporter.

A longtime resident of Port Arthur, Cline is a graduate of Thomas Jefferson High School there and started his newspaper career at the Port Arthur News. He later accepted a position at the Weslaco bureau of the (Hartlingen) Valley Morning Star and The Monitor in McAllen.

During his stay in Weslaco, Cline met and proposed to Shirley Limones of Colorado City and relocated to the area to be with her. They plan to marry Saturday in Colorado City. Coincidentally, Cline's grandmother, Betty Safford, is also a Colorado City resident.

"I am enjoying my experience so far at the Herald because I can make a difference here," Cline said. "The papers I worked for before provided great experience, but I felt like a little fish in a big pool. Here, some days, my byline is on most of the stories on the front page. I definitely feel like I'm here to stay."

RALLY

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pole, Christ Community Fellowship pastor Malcolm Pointon who serves as Big Spring Police chaplain, opened the rally with a prayer.

Pointon asked God to bless the families of victims of the New York and Washington, D.C., attacks, and to use the events that took place on Sept. 11 as a wake up call to the country to turn its eyes to God.

Pointon along with the Rev. Steve Stutz of St. Paul Lutheran Church warned against anger because of the attack on the country.

"We must not allow terror to drive us away from the people God wants us to be," Stutz said. "The church can be a place to comfort the community, Stutz said."

"The church can be a place where people can come to weep," he said. "A secure place where people come and start to rebuild their lives." The crowd wore ribbons of yellow to remember those killed at the World Trade Center and camouflage to remember the military and civilians killed at the Pentagon.

"Every time we lose some-

stay at work." Coworkers working on the same floor encouraged Sulatan's aunt to stay, she said.

"She said 'I am going down and leaving,'" Sulatan said.

Sulatan received calls later from both her aunt and brother. Her aunt's coworkers also made it out of the building but a coworker of her brother's was not as lucky.

"One of my brother's coworkers was on the 107th floor at a breakfast meeting in the Windows of the World restaurant," she said. "He called his wife that morning so we know that he was there at a business meeting. He has not been heard from since. He is among the missing and is presumably dead."

The attack left thousands of causalities being spread out through the United States for treatment.

"A burn unit can only take about 12 patients," she said. "There are many burn patients. I talked to a friend in Wyoming and she said they are sending patients there. They are sending patients as far as Wyoming."

As a nurse, a Navy enlistee and a patriot, Sulatan said she is to go to the service of her county.

"You only get to do this once in a lifetime," she said. "If I am going to be killed it's better to be doing something I love. Ultimately we will all pass away."

one to the job it is very hard," said Big Spring Police officer Lt. Terry Chamness. "I am not a fireman. I would never go into a fire. I am thankful for you people who do this. We lost too many of you on Tuesday. I truly believe God has given us a wake up call."

Nearly 300 fireman are reported missing after the World Trade Center's two towers collapsed. According to Associated Press reports, the number of missing from the World Trade Center has now reached almost 5,000.

"We have lost way too many Americans," he continued. "I know our government will do its best to bring those responsible to justice."

POLICE

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

• **JOHN PAUL FIERRO**, 24, of 1011 Sycamore was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **DELFINO VITANA**, 39, of 703 Lancaster was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **RAFAEL LOPEZ**, 57, of 5081 1/2 Father Delaney Street was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **JAMES CAMPBELL**, 54, of 1212 W. Jefferson in Waxahachie was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **INMANUEL ARRAIGA**, 23, of 2615 Albrook was arrested on two local warrants.

• **LISA BLATCHFORD**, 37, of 611 N. San Antonio was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **A STOLEN CAR** was reported in the 800 block of S. Bell. A white 1980 Chrysler New Yorker worth about \$1,000 was reported stolen from the address.

• **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported: - In the 4200 block of Dixon. Electronic equipment worth about \$600 was reported stolen from a vehicle at the location.

- In the 3800 block of Connally. Electronic equipment worth \$1,100 was reported stolen from an unlocked vehicle in the area.

Records

Sunday's high 88  
Sunday's low 71  
Record high 104 in 1997  
Record low 45 in 1951  
Average high 86  
Average low 62  
Precip. Sunday 0.00  
Month to date 0.00  
Year to date 8.02  
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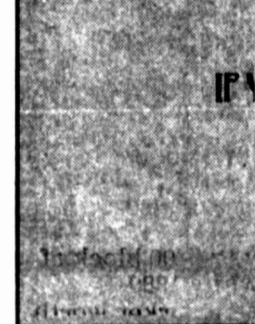
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**SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER**  
MONDAY-Chicken, roni & cheese, okra milk/rolls, fruit.  
TUESDAY-Fish, fries, broccoli & coleslaw, milk/cookie.  
WEDNESDAY-Sm steak, potatoes, bread, cookies.  
THURSDAY-Chicken sandwich, soup, tomato, bread & milk, cobbler.  
FRIDAY-Brisket, salad, beans, fruit, milk/cornbread, ca

**WESTBROOK ISD**  
MONDAY-Chicken w/dips, corn on cobs, beans, applesauce, milk  
TUESDAY-Salisbury w/gravy, mashed carrots, hot rolls, r  
WEDNESDAY-Fish sauce, macaroni & sweet peas, fruit c  
THURSDAY-Tortilla bake, salsa, pinto tossed salad, peach bread, milk.  
FRIDAY-Beef steaks, cheese or butter sandwiches, strawberries, cal

**FORSAN ISD**  
MONDAY-Chicken egg rolls, rice, milk.  
TUESDAY-Hot dog, beans, chips, salad, fruit, milk.  
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SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER

MONDAY-Chicken, macaroni & cheese, okra, salad, milk/rolls, fruit.

TUESDAY-Fish, french fries, broccoli & cheese, coleslaw, milk/cornbread, pie.

WEDNESDAY-Smothered steak, potatoes, blackeyed peas, salad, milk/cornbread, cookies.

THURSDAY-Chicken/tuna sandwich, soup, lettuce & tomato, bread & crackers, milk, cobble.

FRIDAY-Brisket, potato salad, beans, fruit salad, milk/cornbread, cake.

WESTBROOK ISD

MONDAY-Chicken nuggets w/dips, corn on cob, green beans, applesauce, biscuits, milk

TUESDAY-Salisbury steak w/gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, hot rolls, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Fish, tarter sauce, macaroni & cheese, sweet peas, fruit cup, milk.

THURSDAY-Tortilla beef bake, salsa, pinto beans, tossed salad, peaches, cornbread, milk.

FRIDAY-Beef stew w/vegetables, cheese or peanut butter sandwiches, crackers, strawberry cake, milk.

FORSAN ISD

MONDAY-Chicken stir fry, egg rolls, rice, cake, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Hot dogs, pork & beans, chips, salad, cookies, fruit, milk.

W E D N E S D A Y -

Cheeseburgers, french fries, salad, pickles/onions, ice cream, milk.

THURSDAY-Steak sandwiches, chips, salad, pickles/onions, fruit cobbler, milk.

FRIDAY-Fajitas, ranch style beans, salad, spanish rice, fruit, milk.

COAHOMA ISD

MONDAY-Chicken patty or cheeseburger pockets, gray, buttered potatoes, fruit, milk.

TUESDAY-Hamburgers, lettuce, pickles, tomatoes, fries, oranges, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Tacos or burritos, salad, pickle spears, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Steak fingers or corndogs, almonds, gravy, potatoes, rolls, peaches, milk.

FRIDAY-Homemade burritos or cheese fries, crackers, corn, apples, milk.

BIG SPRING ISD

MONDAY-Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, green beans, pears, roll, milk.

TUESDAY-BREAKFAST FOR LUNCH-Sausage patty, pancake, hash brown, fruit juice, spiced apples, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Cheese enchilada, spanish rice, refried beans w/cheese, grapes, nacho rounds, milk.

THURSDAY-Corn chip pie, corn, pineapple tidbits, sliced peaches, milk.

FRIDAY-Hamburger, salad, french fries, border beans,

lemon pie, milk.

SANDS CISD

MONDAY-Burritos, salad, scalloped potatoes, grapes, milk.

TUESDAY-Chicken strips w/gravy, green beans, mashed potatoes, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY-Frito pie, pinto beans, salad, spanish rice, cornbread, fruit, milk.

THURSDAY-Baked ham, potato salad, baked beans, hot rolls, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY-Pepperoni pizza, salad, pork & beans, fruit or cookies, milk.

STANTON ISD

MONDAY-Steak burger or riblet on a bun, french fries, sandwich salad, beans, mustard, salad, dressing, ketchup, milk or fruit drink.

TUESDAY-Spaghetti w/meat sauce or steak fingers, green beans, salad, salad dressing, applesauce gelatin french bread, milk or fruit drink.

WEDNESDAY-Cheese nachos or chef salad, refried beans, lettuce & tomato, pineapple chunks, cornbread, milk or fruit drink.

THURSDAY-Ground beef and macaroni or salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, mixed vegetables, peaches, hot rolls, milk or fruit drink.

FRIDAY-Pepperoni pizza or corndog, peas & carrots, salad, salad dressing, apples, milk or fruit drink.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Sept. 18:

Others might think you work too hard, but they just don't understand the importance of work to you. Worry less about their judgments. Stay true to yourself. You might want to go back to school for more training or to gain knowledge in a different field. You need to feel as if your life has a purpose. If you are single, check out a new interest with special care. Though exciting, this person might be unavailable. If you are attached, spend more time together, as if you were new lovers. Before you know it, you will act like new lovers, too! GEMINI can be annoying.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)\*\*\*\* Situations arise that create anxiety. Oddly enough, just when you think a project might be going down the drain, something unbelievable happens. This will yield far better results than you ever thought possible. A surprise hints of destiny. Tonight: Dance on out the door.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)\*\*\* A belt-tightening tactic adds another slant to a situation. You might be very serious about what you think. On some level, a risk might be unavoidable. Let go of worry and trust yourself, even if you wind up on a roller-coaster ride. Tonight: Make it easy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)\*\*\*\* Tension rises, but you have the wherewithal to handle a crisis. If you're unsure of what to do, plunge yourself into work. Any purchase now might be frivolous. Write a note. Tonight: Don't be vested in the outcome.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)\*\*\* You could feel a bit out of it these days. You often find yourself day-dreaming as an escape. Dig to the bottom of a problem and deal with it in the most

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efficient way possible. Seek out a trusted friend to air out this problem. Avoid reacting. Tonight: Put your feet up. Take time off.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)\*\*\*\* Aim for what you want, and don't back off. Devote yourself to staying on top of work. Your personality adds that extra little touch that makes it easy for others to say "yes." What seems to blow up in your face will ultimately wind up well. Stop worrying! Tonight: Follow a friend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)\*\*\* Others understand what they want. Somehow, they do not know how to communicate this. Explain just how hard you are trying to understand. Try something novel. Tonight: Opt to work late, if you must.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)\*\*\*\* Think in terms of action and effectiveness. Work around another's lack of response. Your creativity fills in a gap and brings an answer anyway. Sometimes Libra becomes immobilized while weighing pros and cons. Take a risk. Tonight: First, do what you must. Then, do what you want.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)\*\*\*\* Someone tightens the purse strings, and you go "ouch." Ultimately, this partner or associate wants to see you maintain a budget. What looks inevitable might not happen. The results surprise even you. Family comes through for you. Tonight: Dote on another.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)\*\*\*\* You get frustrated while trying to budge a stubborn person. Rather, leave this person alone. You discover how creative and innovative you can be by yourself. In fact, you should think about being your own boss. Tonight: Let someone else make the first gesture.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)\*\*\* Others clearly understand that you mean business this time. You buckle down and know full well what you want to accomplish. A partnership helps you lighten up.

Maybe you don't need to be so serious. Unexpected money developments can work in your favor. Tonight: Consider buying a treadmill or bicycle.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)\*\*\*\* Let a child or new friend know that you have had enough. This person's attitude can easily mar your mood. A meeting proves to be most rewarding. When chaos seems imminent, you turn the tides. You come out smelling like a rose. Tonight: Enjoy yourself, whatever you do. You deserve it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)\*\*\* Attempting to control your moodiness can only backfire. Choose to discuss a problem with a co-worker or friend while taking a break. Count on this person coming through for you. An unexpected development sends your adrenaline soaring. Tonight: Homeward bound.

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## OTHER VIEWS

# Government should stress current laws

Federal law already punishes government employees who try to harm the United States by leaking classified information about national defense. And if defense officials think too many vital secrets are getting out, the first question they should ask is whether the current law is being adequately enforced.

Instead, Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama has proposed to broaden the law to forbid the leaking of "properly classified" information, and not just on defense-related matters. Moreover, his proposal would allow the prosecution not just of people who are trying to harm national security, but of all leakers — including people who blow the whistle on misconduct within defense agencies.

The measure goes far beyond the safeguards necessary to protect government secrets. Members of Congress should oppose Sen. Shelby's proposal. If it passes, President Bush should veto it.

No one is suggesting that all military secrets should become public immediately. Limiting access to the technical details of advanced weapons technologies and to certain military plans might well be less harmful to the interests of the American public than letting such information fall into enemy hands.

Sen. Shelby's measure can only heighten public suspicion — perhaps unduly — about military activities, and it will insulate defense officials from any possibility that they will ever be held accountable for their conduct. The proposal should not become law.

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## YOUR VIEWS

### TO THE EDITOR:

An open letter to the citizens of Big Spring and Howard County:

In a day when we want everything ASAP, (As Soon As Possible) and in these days when we are so confused about the events of last week, we can't help but wonder "why."

We have watched the TV in awe this week and cannot begin to fathom the pain those

people have endured in the last few days and what they'll endure in the days ahead.

We would like to offer you a different way of seeing the acronym ASAP. Sometime today, pause and reflect on these words:

"Always Say A Prayer." May God richly bless you and may God bless America.

DALE AND KAY PITTMAN BIG SPRING

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# Focus needs to be eliminating programs

The Democrats are going to have to become a bit more honest if they hope to make any headway against President George W. Bush. Blaming a shrinking surplus on his tax cuts is balderdash.

The surplus — largely smoke and mirrors to begin with — naturally shrinks when the economy shrinks, and shrink it has during the past year. The minuscule amount of tax cuts that took effect this year adds up to not much more than the sweat on a gnat's brow.

A budgetary surplus is just tax revenue in excess of the amount budgeted. When people lose their jobs by the tens of thousands, and when capital losses hit the trillion-dollar mark, any reasonable person expects tax revenues to fall.

The federal budget remains bloated with lard and fat, and, as the president says, if Congress will

prioritize its spending, there will be plenty of money to pay for what is important. Of course, Congress has never prioritized its spending in my lifetime, and I don't expect it to start now. That's how we ended up with the trillions of dollars in public debt, nearly all of it accumulated when Democrats controlled both houses of Congress and hence the budget.

If Congress spent money only on what the Constitution authorizes it to spend money on, the federal budget could be cut by a third or a half. There is nothing in the Constitution, of course, that authorizes Congress to spend a penny on foreign aid, welfare, education, health care, corporate subsidies, agricultural subsidies or the jillion and one grant programs it has authorized.

Many people have been duped into believing federal funds are "free." Pure nonsense, of course.

Everything we eat, touch, use or wear is taxed multiple times by federal, state and local governments. It's no accident that the federal tax code runs to thousands of pages of exceedingly

small print. I counted up the taxes and government "fees" stuck on my phone bill this past month, and they amounted to more than 50 percent of the cost of local service.

Many of the taxes we pay are hidden taxes and are simply built into the price of products or services. It really is true that businesses don't pay taxes because they are simply passed along to the customers. We really need to get over this idea that what the government does is "for free."

"Frugal" is a word one never hears anymore in connection with government. Even local governments want to build Taj Mahals equipped with the most expensive furniture they can find. My local school district, which cannot provide sufficient classrooms for the students, nevertheless provided for itself a seven-story glass palace.

My local county government has built a palatial skyscraper of a courthouse that, appropriately enough, has become a favorite roost for turkey buzzards.

And before you worry about Social Security funds, look at what a raw deal Social Security is.

People who pay into it, as well as their employers, lose it all if they die before they are eligible to collect the first dollar. All of that money is not inheritable. The government keeps it. And Congress has decided to push back the age at which people can collect it.

The human life span has not been extended, as some folks apparently think. All that has happened is that fewer children are dying of infectious diseases. That means more of them are left to live out their normal life span. I don't think baby boomers, born in the couch-potato-and-fast-food era, are going to live as long as those people who lived through the Depression and World War II. Their lifestyle will shorten their life span, which will be a financial bonanza for the Social Security trust fund.

Congress needs to eliminate programs. State governments need to eliminate programs. Local governments need to eliminate programs. We need to resurrect the concepts of frugality and self-reliance.

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# Terrorist attacks sign of massive failures

"I saw small specks of debris falling from the buildings, then I realized those specks were people," Monte Weiner told us from New York.

"I have friends and clients in the World Trade Center, and I can't reach them," said Douglas Weil from Los Angeles. I could only reply grimly, "There is no World Trade Center."

It was a massive attack, a result of massive failures. The CIA and FBI failed. The military failed. Airport security failed. And most of all, U.S. anti-terrorism policies failed. In the words of former NATO commander Gen. Wesley Clark, "We didn't do enough."

America has now become the greatest terrorist victim in history, and the threat continues, which is why

the mistakes must quickly be evaluated. Time is not on our side.

Of the failures, the failure of the intelligence community to detect the threat is the most understandable. The nature of intelligence collection is such that 100 percent of the information can never be attained, and no government can rely solely and completely upon such information to defend its people.

Rather, intelligence gathering is a tool, not a solution.

Airport security is widely ridiculed. The people hired to do the actual security checks often tend to be underqualified. Tests are regularly run and almost as regularly flunked as various weapons are snuck past the inspectors. Further, passageways marked "official use" are often not monitored, which means they are security-free entrances into the boarding areas for potential terrorists. So, airport security acts as little more than a skirmish line in the battle against terrorism.

The first main line of

defense is the military. When a plane becomes suspicious because it dramatically deviates from its flight plan or because it fails to communicate with air traffic controllers, military planes are supposed to scramble and intercept. In such actions, the military pilot makes visual contact and investigates.

The pilot tries to contact the pilot in the deviating plane by radio or by standard plane-to-plane signaling. Yet, in this tragedy, there is no evidence that any military plane intercepted any of the four hijacked commercial airliners. Why?

Did the air traffic controllers fail to notify the FBI and the military that the planes were flying off course? The two Boston-to-Los Angeles flights made 90-degree turns toward New York City. The Newark-to-San Francisco flight made a 180-degree turn, as did the Washington-to-Los Angeles plane. After the first plane struck the World Trade Center, 17 minutes elapsed before the next strike, and still no military

aircraft was scrambled. Another 52 minutes passed before the third plane struck the Pentagon, and even by then, no military aircraft was scrambled.

As one Navy pilot said to us, "I don't know what they were thinking. After the first strike, they should have known something else was coming."

But the worst failure was the failure of national policy. America has played defense in the war against terrorism, when the only way to win was to go on the offensive, which President Bush has now vowed to do. It is not unlike the decision of civilized nations in the early 17th century to finally eliminate the scourge of piracy. Only after attacks were made on the pirate havens did that earlier terrorist threat end. And now, as then, it is not important to determine which pirate committed which atrocity. It is necessary only to acknowledge that piracy and terrorism are crimes against the civilized world that need to be stamped out.



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FOOTBALL BIG SPRING Wylie, 7:30 p.m. COAHOMA - 7:30 p.m.

FORSAN - v City, 8 p.m.

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## IN BRIEF

### Flores leads Sands JV to 20-6 win

Sands' junior varsity Mustangs squashed New Home Thursday, 20-6, as Nedy Flores found room to run, catch and score three times before New Home returned a kickoff for its only touchdown of the game.

Flores first scored on a 40-yard run and Julian Mojica added the extra-point kick for an 8-0 lead in the six-man gridiron game. Flores next run to the red zone came courtesy of a Marcello Barraza pass. He hustled in for his second score from 30 yards out, giving Sands a 14-0 halftime lead.

In the third period, Flores capped a Mustangs' drive with a 10-yard TD.

### Quarterback Club meeting tonight

The Big Spring Quarterback Club will hold a regular meeting at 7 tonight in the Big Spring High School Athletic Training Center meeting room.

All parents of football players in the seventh through 12th grades are encouraged to attend.

Activities are planned for all levels of athletes and organizers are interested in new ideas.

For more information, call Jim Clements at 267-1069 after 6 p.m.

### 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.

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## PREP SLATE

### TUESDAY

#### VOLLEYBALL

**BIG SPRING** — vs. Lakeview at 6 p.m.

#### TENNIS

**BIG SPRING** — vs. Sweetwater at the Figure-7 Tennis Center, 4 p.m.

### FRIDAY

#### FOOTBALL

**BIG SPRING** — at Abilene Wylie, 7:30 p.m.  
**COAHOMA** — at Post 7:30 p.m.  
**FORSAN** — vs. Sterling City, 8 p.m.  
**GARDEN CITY** — vs. Irion County, 8 p.m.  
**GRADY** — vs. Dawson, 7:30 p.m.  
**SANDS** — vs. Borden County (HC), 7:30 p.m.  
**STANTON** — vs. Iraan, 8 p.m.

### SATURDAY

#### CROSS COUNTRY

**BIG SPRING** — hosting meet at the Airpark, 10 a.m.  
**COAHOMA** — at Big Spring Meet, 10 a.m.  
**FORSAN** — at Big Spring Meet, 10 a.m.  
**GARDEN CITY** — at Big Spring Meet, 10 a.m.

#### TENNIS

**BIG SPRING** — vs. Levelland 9 a.m.

#### VOLLEYBALL

**BIG SPRING** — at Levelland, 2 p.m.

## ON THE AIR

#### Television

**BASEBALL**, 7 p.m. — Milwaukee Brewers at St. Louis

# Ryder Cup postponed for one year

LONDON (AP) — The Ryder Cup was postponed for one year on Sunday because of terrorist attacks that left the American team wary of traveling and uneasy about playing. The European Ryder Cup board said the showcase event, scheduled for Sept. 28-30 at The Belfry in England, will be played in September 2002 at the same location.

The PGA of America informed the European board that the scope of Tuesday's strikes in New York and Washington was "so overwhelming" that it would be "impossible" for the U.S. Ryder Cup team to attend.

"We have been placed in a position beyond our control and therefore the matches, out of necessity, have been postponed," European Ryder Cup Board spokesman Mitchell Platts said.

Tiger Woods had already pulled out of this week's Lancome Trophy in Paris.

"I feel strongly that this is a time to pause, reflect and remember the victims of Tuesday's horrific attack," he said on his Web site.

European Ryder Cup captain Sam Torrance said the decision was one of "common sense."

"What happened in America last week has put the Ryder Cup and everything else into perspective," he said.

"I am desperately heartbroken for all the people involved in this terrible tragedy."

"All I can feel at the moment is an immense sadness. There will be time enough to talk further about the 34th Ryder Cup matches taking place next year."

U.S. captain Curtis Strange called the postponement "very appropriate

in light of the situation."

"The tragedy in America caused us all to reflect and evaluate our own lives and relationships with family and friends," he said.

"Our hearts and prayers go out to all those affected by last Tuesday's disaster."

The Ryder Cup, which began in 1927 and is played every other year, was interrupted for six years during World War II. It has become one of the biggest events in golf, and this year's matches were especially anticipated.

Two years ago, the United States pulled off the greatest comeback in history with a 45-foot putt by Justin Leonard and a celebration that offended the European team.

Jim Awtrey, chief executive officer of PGA of America, said the organization appreciated the respect shown by the Ryder Cup

board.

"Given the enormity of the tragedy in America, we informed European officials of our desire to postpone the matches until next year," Awtrey said.

"We understand this is a hardship for them to reschedule the matches next year."

But it was important to us that the matches be played and not canceled," he added.

The invitation for the U.S. team and officials had not been withdrawn but extended, Platts said, and the process of rescheduling the matches for 2002 would begin as soon as possible.

The matches will take place with the same captains — Torrance and Strange — and the same 10 players and two wild cards on each squad.

Woods had stressed his concern about making the trip to Paris.

# Grady gets going with a win at Wellman

## HERALD Staff Report

WELLMAN — The Wildcats of Grady High traveled all the way to Wellman Friday night for six-man struggle that proved to be a low-scoring affair between two sets of Wildcats. When it was over, Grady's group of Wildcats came home with an 8-point win, starting the season 1-0 in a non-district six-man football game while Wellman fell to 0-2.

"We had a real struggle and we came home a winner," Grady coach Roger Smith said. "Our kids played tough and it was a low-scoring game like I thought. We had a good Grady team effort and it is always important to get that first game going."

Wellman's Wildcats got going first, taking a first quarter lead, 6-0, on a Chris Gibson to Andy Mercado 6-point score.

Brian Petty put six on the board with a 6-yard run to start the second period scoring, knotting the game at 6-6. Trent May followed by giving Grady a 14-6 advantage on a 38-yard touchdown toss to T.J. Springer and a 2-point conversion.

Gibson gave Wellman six more on a touchdown toss to Kylan Dill, but the home team missed its extra-point

opportunity, leaving Grady ahead by two.

Eric Tunnell took charge in the fourth quarter, putting the final points on the board on a 3-yard run for an 8-point margin.

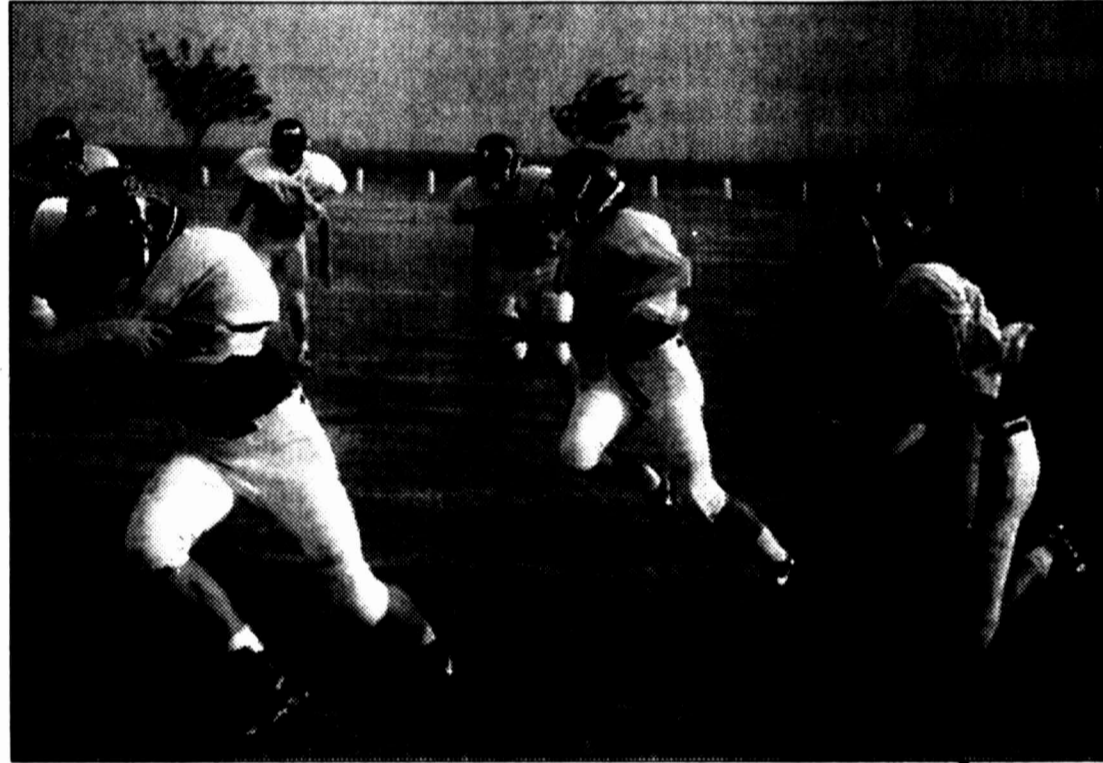
## Grady notes:

Tunnell finished with 96 yards, but T.J. Springer was the workhorse for Grady, going for 117 while May added 85 to the winning effort. Grady garnered 123 yards rushing on 32 attempts and added an equal number in the air for 246 total yards of offense.

Wellman finished with 85 yards on 21 attempts with no interceptions while Tunnell threw the ball three times, connecting only once on an interception. Tunnell atoned for his offensive miscue, picking off two Wellman passes and Andrew Villa added a fumble recovery to the Grady effort. He had six solo tackles and six assists, as did Jud Opegaard. Springer added five solos and a pair of assists while Ky May led the team in assists, reach-



SMITH



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During a recent West Texas sand storm, Grady got a good pre-season work out in before going on the road for a season opening win at Wellman, 20-12, Friday night.

ing double digits with 10. Villa returned to kicks 37 yards for a 16.5 average with a 19-yard run being the longest.

Grady gets back in action, hosting Dawson at 7:30 as the Wildcats open at home with a 1-0 start on the road.

## Six-man notes:

Sands is expected to stay in 10 or 15 of the six-man rankings this week when

the entire 92-team list is released Tuesday. Sands started the season at No. 11 and held its spot, despite an overtime loss to Sanderson, ranked No. 4 at the time.

The Sands junior varsity showed signs of continued success at the lower level Thursday night with a 20-6 win over New Home. Nedy Flores led the Mustangs to the 14-point win with three touchdowns on a pair of

long runs and a 30-yard reception from Marcello Barraza. New Home returned a third-quarter kick 60 yards for its score.

Sands coach Clint Lowry said he was happy to see the JV improve to 1-1, like his varsity unit.

"I was very proud of our kids. They played real hard and with only eight players, they did an outstanding job," Lowry said.

# Friday-night football in Big Spring and all over America

Teams in West Texas played football Friday night. All across America Friday night, high school teams held memorial tributes to the American tragedy that changed our lives this week while taking so many American lives and affecting so many countless others.

Like they did at Memorial Stadium before Big Spring and Hereford played Friday night, all over America, student-athletes lined up in unison, school bands played patriotic songs, choirs sang the Star-Spangled Banner and God Bless America and officials offered announcements, prayers, memorials and tributes to the fallen, the bereaved and the heroes who have continued to respond.

But at McLean High in the suburbs of Washington, D.C., the lights did not go on.

So far, I am not aware of any area teams who were directly affected by this week's terrorist attacks. But I do have a lot of friends in the D.C. area where I got my start as a sports writer. One of my best friends is a high school football coach in Arlington, Va.

For years since I covered his first head coaching stint at his alma mater, Washington-Lee, Joe Muskett has been among my all-time favorite coaches because of the kind of person he is and the kind of hero and role models he and his wife Kathy have been.

For years, I have referred to him as my "Texas connection" because of his experience with Texas football. He met his wife during his

years as a Cougar in Houston where he earned his masters before moving back to Northern Virginia and taking over a struggling program that is still looking for sustained success after a past tradition of pride and excellence.

After a stint with the Titans of Alexandria and Hollywood-movie fame, Joe took over at McLean High last year, leading the Highlanders in the upscale Northern Virginia suburbs.

The Highlanders, like teams all over the Washington and New York areas, took a night off Friday. They will load the buses this week, maybe. In the meantime, the student-athletes under Muskett are among the lucky few, for they have an experienced, compassionate coach who knows there is more to life than football. He will help them heal and learn about life by playing football, when they are ready to get back on the gridiron.

I talked to a lot of coaches this week who care about their kids, who are helping them deal with the reality of the new world we will live in, where lines will be longer, frustrations will cause tempers to be shorter, confusion and uncertainty will creep into our lives more and more as the post-attack days turn into weeks, months and years. Most of the area coaches I spoke with were busy talking to their kids, counseling and listening to kids who care and have concerns. Dealing with questions and anger. Discussing the draft and worrying about the future for seniors who wonder about what might happen.

I got a wake-up call Sunday. My mom was on the other end of the line and, honestly, I can't remember being more glad to get a call from my mom. Somehow it was comforting and reassuring to hear her voice, waking me up with a tenderness that only Mom can.

Just hearing her voice helped me get back on track.

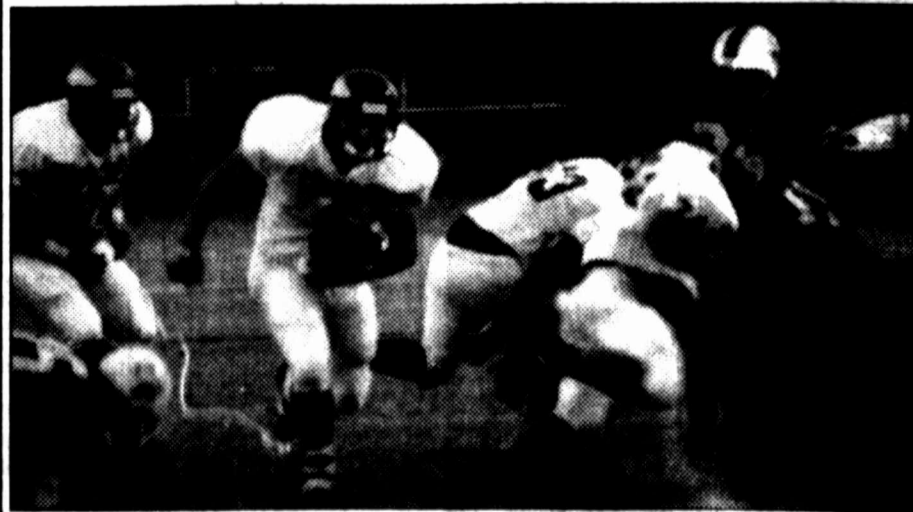
As we all try to get back to normal, we may find a new definition waiting. But we can count our blessings — like Big Spring coach Dwight Butler told me this week — that we are fortunate to live where we live and enjoy the freedom we do in so many ways, especially to be playing and watching high school football on Friday nights because that's what we do in West Texas on Friday nights.

Perhaps in the remaining weeks of this season, we will appreciate our freedom to play and watch even more than we did a few short weeks ago. Perhaps we will all

have more pride in our hearts and an extra measure of understanding for others. Normally, I would be writing about who won and who lost and who proved me wrong in my Friday pregame picks. This week, like sports fans in Big Spring and everywhere in America — I too am counting my blessings and talking things out with my family, like my wife and my mom; and friends like Joe and Kathy Muskett.

Here's hoping for fun on Friday nights and may God Bless each and every American, especially our teachers and coaches, our players and parents and student-athletes everywhere in America.

# High School Player of the Week



Submitted photo/Marcel Barraza

Cory Hill (center), a 5-foot-10, 200-pound senior tightback at Coahoma, was named the Herald's Player of the Week for week No. 3 Monday. He has led the Bulldogs' rushing attack all season, gaining more than 100 yards a game each week while scoring 10 touchdowns. So far he has 503 yards on 53 attempts, averaging 9.49 yards-per-carry. At Grape Creek Friday, Hill had the ball 12 times. He managed 155 yards against the Eagles, scoring four first-quarter touchdowns for the Bulldogs before watching the second half from the Coahoma sideline as the 'Dogs won 54-6. Grape Creek is now 0-31, dating to a 1998 win at Coahoma in week No. 2. The 'Dogs are now 3-0, headed to Post this week to take on the Antelopes.

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Husband's presence cutting into bartender bride's tips

Dear Ann Landers: I am a female bartender in a bowling alley. I don't have a huge clientele, but there is a men's league on Thursdays, and that makes up for days that are light on tips. I keep things on a "strictly business" basis, but I do a little flirting with the male customers, and they enjoy flirting back. Being friendly is part of my job, but it's all very innocent.

I was married a month ago, and my husband insists on hanging around the bar. "Eddie" seems to think I can use the company. Most of the time I don't mind, but on Thursdays, his presence really cuts into my tips. I feel uncomfortable being friendly with male customers when Eddie is around, and the guys avoid me like poison when they know my husband is watching.

Is there any way I can tell Eddie, tactfully, that I'd appreciate it if he stayed home on Thursdays? - New Bride in Boston

Dear Boston Bride: Why is Eddie hanging around your place of employment? The guy should find something else to do when you are working. Being friendly to the customers is part of your job, and if Eddie doesn't understand that, he's a pretty dense fellow. If he isn't a regular reader, clip this column and hand it to him. He needs to get the message.

Dear Ann Landers: I am writing in response to "Deadlocked in Spokane, Wash.," whose husband is a night owl and can't fall asleep unless the TV is on. She needs 9-10 hours a night. She insists that "married couples should go to sleep at the same time and wake up together." You told her to invest in earplugs or buy her husband headphones so he could watch TV without disturbing her rest.

Those solutions are fine, but you missed something, Ann. Why on earth do married couples have to go to bed together and get up at the same time? I would never dream of making such demands on my husband. If the differences in their sleep patterns bother her so much, she should change her sleeping habits to mesh with his, instead of

making him turn his life inside out to please her. - Debi in Moorhead, Minn.

Dear Moorhead: You are right. It is ridiculous for married couples to force themselves to go to bed together and wake up at the same time. When sleeping patterns don't mesh, couples who care about each other should work it out so that neither one is sleep-deprived, and both parties are satisfied.

Dear Ann Landers: I had to write after reading the letter from "Scared Stiff in California." I agree wholeheartedly that guns should not be in a home where there are young children. But I understand full well how her husband treasures something that belonged to his father. My husband feels the same way about his father's things.

"Scared Stiff" should have a frame shop mount her father-in-law's guns in a shadow box and give it to her husband so he can hang it in his office. This would preserve the guns and make a beautiful presentation, and at the same time, keep her children safe from harm. - E.S., Berwick, Pa.

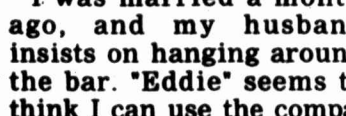
Dear Berwick: Several readers made similar suggestions. Yours is a splendid one. My thanks to you and all who wrote.

Gem of the Day (credit an Ann Landers Reader for 25 Years): Exercise regularly, eat moderately, stay away from tobacco and alcohol, and you will die anyway.

Dear Reader: I agree - but you won't die as soon, and the years that you live will be a lot healthier and more enjoyable.

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In 1948, the U.N. mediator for Palestine, Count Folke Bernadotte, was assassinated in Jerusalem by Jewish extremists.

In 1961, the situation comedy "Car 54, Where Are You?" premiered on NBC.

In 1966, "Mission: Impossible" premiered on CBS.

In 1976, NASA publicly unveiled the space shuttle Enterprise at ceremonies in Palmdale, Calif.

In 1978, after meeting at Camp David, Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat signed a peace treaty.

Ten years ago: The U.N. General Assembly opened its 46th session, welcoming new members Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, North and South Korea, the Marshall Islands and Micronesia.

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